



‘Sustainable architecture is now almost synonymous with modern architecture’

According to **Sachin Goregaoker, Director, GA design**, architects have become more aware about environmental, social and economic issues which are now an integral part of the designing process. In consideration with the recent times, Goregaoker shares an overview of his design philosophy and his vivid inspiration of ‘exceeding clients’ expectation’, in an email interaction with **Kajol Tamang**.

How has your profession evolved over the years?

A creative profession has to be constantly evolving. Over the years, architects have adapted to changing demands and have strived to make a positive impact on society through innovative designs and effective solutions. Architects have become more aware about environmental, social and economic issues which are now an integral part of the designing process. This has encouraged collaboration with experts from other fields making architecture a cohesive and homogeneous profession.

Where do you draw your inspiration from?

The inspiration comes from a belief that at GA design, our aim is not merely to fulfil our clients’ expectations but also to exceed them. Our design team is always striving for perfection by considering the smallest detail as well as the overall visual aesthetic appeal. As a result GA design is known among builders, developers and private clients not only for the quality of our work but also for our intelligent manipulation of space, light and flow.

The inspiration is a result of knowing that my work will make a difference to the environment and will be appreciated by my clients and well-wishers.

What do you think the future of the field holds?

Architecture is a constantly evolving phenomenon and its nature adapts to the changing social, political, economic and geographic environment. It is becoming more research-based and it is reasonable to expect specialists from different fields like science, wellness and even anthropology to be integrated into the industry.

Have contemporary architects evolved around the notion of modernism?

Sustainable architecture has gained immense popularity in the last few years and is now almost synonymous with modern architecture. Environment friendliness, cost and comfort will play a very significant role in the ethos of modernism. Contemporary architects are already evolving effortlessly around existing philosophies and modernism is just another analytical approach towards



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innovation.

As an architect what kind of philosophy do you adhere by?

As a third generation architect, design for me is a passion that is related to art and the people that are associated with it. Architecture is a wonderful tool for understanding lifestyles and their various perspectives. At GA design we strive hard to achieve the most appropriate, efficient and cost-effective yet aesthetic solution for each scale. Applying no pre-conceived or stylistic notions, our approach attempts to enliven and enhance the built environment by means of our architectural and interior design services. We have established a reputation for excellence in this field, which is augmented by our ability to conceive and achieve complex spatial configurations. This thought process is reflected in my recent project Apsara at Kanjur Marg, a relatively nondescript suburb of Mumbai. With the presence of being the only avant-garde building in its immediate context, it is unmissable in its form and identity. The design is highly efficient in terms of floor space and includes apartments with a view of the road in the front and open grounds in the rear. The building design is complimented by a sustainable vision for the entire area, strengthening the neighbourhood as a whole, particularly the busy road leading to Kanjur Marg railway station.



Apsara

Any new/ongoing projects by GA design? Can you tell us anything about it?

GoldFinch in Matunga is one of our recent projects for Happy Homes, very close to our heart. The original building was designed by my grandfather architect G B Mhatre, and in a sheer coincidence we have been approached for the redevelopment of GoldFinch. The building is located in the lush green vicinity of Five Gardens and it offers luxurious 3BHK apartments in the heart of Mumbai. ▲

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A partner in a leading firm GA design, Sachin has over 20 years of diverse experience in architecture and interior design. He has a large body of work to his credit from multi-storeyed buildings to vast residential townships and redevelopment projects for leading builders & developers in and around Mumbai and Pune. Sachin's designs reflect the current trends of distinctive cosmopolitan architecture with a portfolio that includes some of the most prominent buildings in Mumbai. His work is characterised by his focus towards research and innovation with special emphasis on the ability of working within parameters governed by changing guidelines. Sachin also has extensive experience in designing interiors for luxury residences and clubhouses. Leading a creative studio of young and dynamic talent, he believes in establishing collaborative working relationships to build a strong foundation for success.