

INDIA @ 100 Launched by Spire World

A culmination of an International Competition Jury Process



Members of the Jury - Standing (L to R) Ajoy Choudhary, Tay Kheng Soon, Ashish Bhalla, Aniket Bhagwat, Peter Bosselman, Michael Sorkin and Peter Head
Sitting (L to R) Lucien Kroll, Kai Gutschow, Sanjay Prakash, Suparna Bhalla, Pradeep Sachdeva and Dr. Ken Yeang

“India @100” is being launched with a firm conviction that Indian cities are the theatre where the drama of the nation will be enacted. India’s urban population of 300 Mn is poised to double over the next two decades to 600 Mn. Will this shift change the nature and identity of India and the idea of being ‘Indian’? Will cities emerge as alternate vote banks? The opportunity to influence this realm has never been as important as it is now.

This initiative is promoted and supported by Spire World, the development arm of Millennium Spire, established in 2005 as an India focused Real Estate and Infrastructure Investment fund with a view to help promote development projects that are in the mainstream of India’s rapid urbanization.

A week long Festival of Urbanity is being planned at the India Habitat Centre from 6th April to 14th April, 2011. The festival will host exhibitions, lectures, seminars and citizen participatory events.

Spire World also organized an International Design Competition for its next flagship complex proposals for a 62,750 sq.mt mixed use development at Greater Noida. 713 architects from 68 countries submitted 201 entries.

The jury panel comprised of: Ajoy Choudhury, Aniket Bhagwat, Ashish Bhalla, Kai Gutschow, Dr. Ken Yeang, Lucien Kroll, Michael Sorkin, Peter Bosselman, Peter Head, Pradeep Sachdeva, Sanjay Prakash, Suparna Bhalla, Tay Kheng Soon

According to Mr. Ashish Bhalla, MD, Millennium Spire, "India is at the cusp of forging a new urban future. Many initiatives and collaborations will create the path ahead. India @ 100 and the Spiretec Competition are initiatives that will address the vision of this future urbanity."

Jaya Jaitley, also anchored the discussion in which sustainable models of transformation, cultural directions, new policy for a new generation, and infrastructure were deliberated.

The five winners of the competition are:

1. Mrs. Khushboo Shah, MoreorLess Design, India
2. Mr. Doriano Lucchesini, Studio Apua Srl, Italy
3. Mrs. Samira Rathod, SRDA, India
4. Mr. Hannes Gutberlet, Normal, Germany
5. Mr. Eduardo Mcintosh, GMG Collective, UK

There were five honourable mentions also:

1. Mr. Riyaz Tayyibji, Arithrill Design & Himanshu Parikh Consulting Eng, India
2. Mrs. Dolores Ruizgarrido, Crab Studio & Semisa-Tano [RGRM] ARQ, UK
3. Mr. Jan Willem Kuilenburg, Archi Pelago, Netherlands
4. Mr. Manolis Anastasakis Architects, Greece
5. Mr. Nicolas Laisin, Nicolas Laisin A~Architect, France

WINNERS OF THE SPIRETEC COMPETITION, INDIA 2010

Submission Title: Catchment Revival Tech

Team Name: Moreorless Design, India; Top Headed by: Mrs Khushboo Shah

