

<b>Webinar on 'Bamboo as Construction Material: Myths and Realities'</b>	
<b>Webinar organized on:</b>	<b>4<sup>th</sup> June 2020</b>
<b>Distinguished Guest:</b>	<b>Hon. Mr. Suresh Prabhu,</b> Member of Parliament, Rajya Sabha
<b>Industry and Academic Experts:</b>	<b>Mr. S.T.S. Lepcha</b> (IFS Retd., Member, National Bamboo Mission, GOI) <b>Ar. Sanjay Prakash</b> (SHiFt Architects) <b>Mr. Sanjeev Karpe</b> (KONBAC) <b>Prof. Sankalp</b> (CEPT University, Thumbimpressions)



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**School of Architecture & Design**

**WEBINAR**

**04<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2020, THURSDAY**

**04:00 PM**

**Inaugural Address**

**Mr. Suresh Prabhu**  
India's Sherpa to the G7 & G20, MP who initiated Bamboo Promotion Activity in 1998 as Minister for Environment and Forests, Govt. of India.

**Expert Panel**

**Mr. S. T. S. Lepcha (IFS Retd.)**  
Member  
National Level Executive Committee  
National Bamboo Mission  
Govt. of India

**Ar. Sanjay Prakash**  
Architect  
SHiFt: Studio for Habitat  
Futures Architects

**Mr. Sanjeev Karpe**  
Founder Director,  
Konkan Bamboo & Cane  
Development Center  
(KONBAC)

**Prof. Sankalp**  
Assistant Professor  
FA, CEPT University  
Partner Thumbimpressions

**BAMBOO as Construction Material Myths and Realities**

**Moderator**

**Prof. (Dr.) Anuradha Chatterjee**  
Dean, Faculty of Design  
Manipal University Jaipur

**Prof. (Dr.) Madhura Yadav**  
Director, School of Architecture and Design  
Manipal University Jaipur

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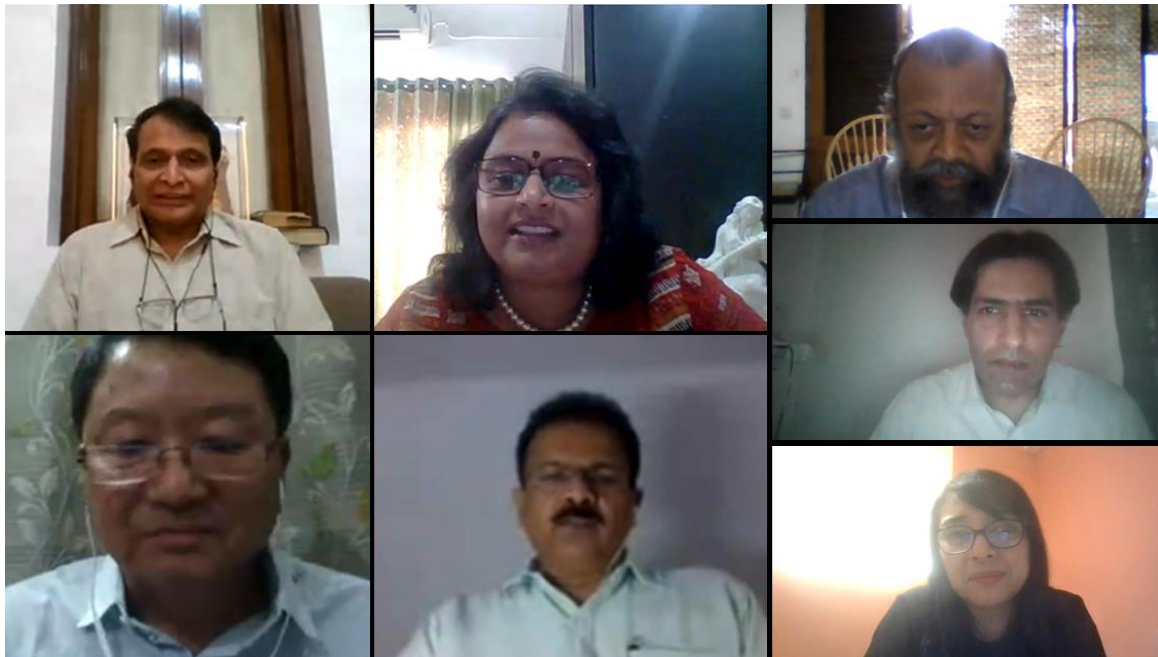
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School of Architecture & Design (SA&D), Manipal University Jaipur organized webinar on 'Bamboo as Construction Material: Myths and Realities', on 4th June 2020. **Hon. Mr. Suresh Prabhu**, India's Sherpa to the G-7 and G-20 summits, delivered **inaugural address** with excerpts from his journey as Minister of Environments and Forestry (MoEF), India, and how his love for bamboo has been a driving force in the key decisions taken during his tenure in the various Ministries. It was this love for bamboo, right from being a construction material to being an industry to alleviate poverty, which encouraged him to open our panel for discussion today.



**Inaugural Address by Hon. Mr. Suresh Prabhu, Member of Parliament, Rajya Sabha**

The experts for the session were **Mr. S.T.S. Lepcha** (IFS Retd., Member, National Bamboo Mission, GOI), **Ar. Sanjay Prakash** (SHiFt Architects), **Mr. Sanjeev Karpe** (KONBAC) and **Prof. Sankalp** (CEPT University, Thumbimpressions). The experts shared their valuable experiences and vast knowledge on the use of bamboo as a viable construction material and encouraged all attendees to adopt Bamboo as a sustainable alternative to conventional construction methods.



**Distinguished Guest, Experts and Moderator of the Webinar (Clockwise from Top Left)**

Hon. Mr. Suresh Prabhu, Member of Parliament, Rajya Sabha

Prof. (Dr.) Madhura Yadav, Director, School of Architecture and Design, Manipal University Jaipur

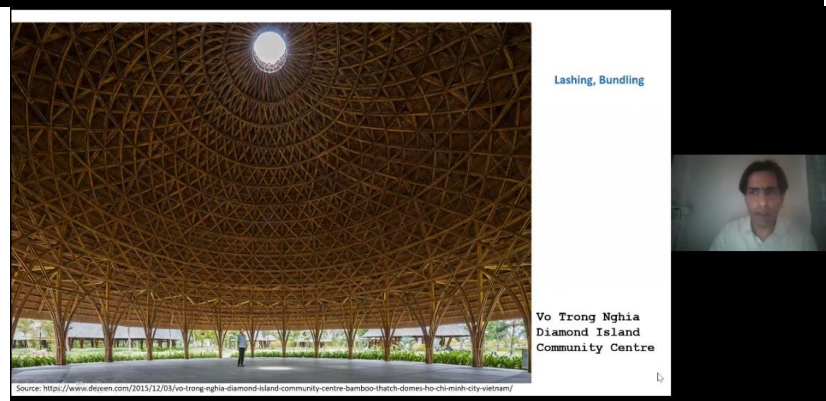
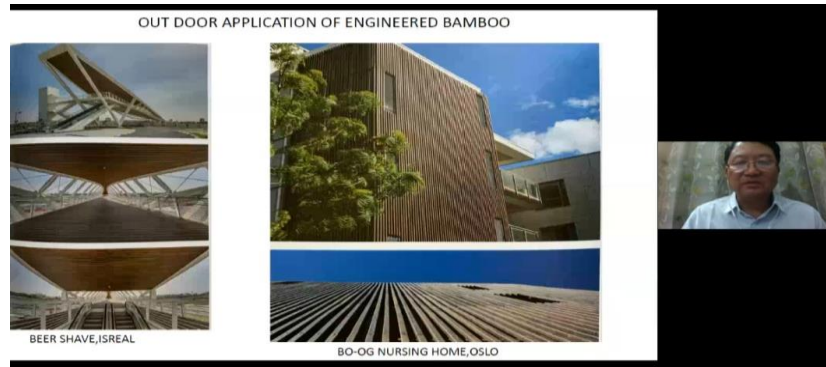
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**Experts sharing their experiences with Bamboo as a material, technical aspects and application**

The panelists clarified on various misconceptions prevalent widely like Bamboo was 'the poor man's timber' and elaborated the advantages of using the material, its workmanship, and technical details. This was a very well received webinar that was attended by around 7000 participants across the world. This webinar opens a dialogue for Manipal University Jaipur to collaborate and research on the feasibility and workability of Bamboo in future.