

## PERSONAL INFORMATION

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## WORK EXPERIENCE

2019 - 2024	Senior Research Scholar	Malaviya National Institute of Technology Jaipur
2015 - 2019	Assistant Professor	D.G. College of Architecture, Kerala, India
2015	Urban Design Consultant	De Earth, Calicut

## QUALIFICATION

2019 -2025	PhD in Architecture and Planning ( <i>doing</i> )	National Institute of Technology, Jaipur
2013 - 2015	Prof. (PG) Master's in Urban Design	School of Planning and Architecture, New Delhi
2008 - 2013	Prof. (UG) Architecture	T K M College of Engineering, Kollam, Kerala

## PROFILE SUMMARY

- **Academic Leadership & University-Level Teaching:** A seasoned academic with 9+ years of experience as an Assistant Professor and Senior Research Scholar, skilled in mentoring students and leading architectural programs.
- **High-Impact Research & Publication:** Author of multiple articles in Scopus-indexed journals, with research quality validated by a Best Presentation Award at an international conference.
- **Professional Design & Project Execution:** Proven expertise as an Urban Design Consultant by translating complex theory into practice and leading successful heritage tourism development projects for the State Government.
- **Heritage Conservation & Community Engagement:** An active advocate for architectural heritage, preparing conservation reports and leading heritage walks. Also served as the illustrator for 2 published books on local history.
- **Academic Coordination & Leadership:** A proven leader in coordinating national-level workshops and Indian Institute of Architects (IIA) festivals, demonstrating strong administrative and collaborative skills.
- **Peer Review & Scholarly Contribution:** Trusted as a subject matter expert to serve as a peer reviewer for a Scopus-indexed (Q2) international journal, evaluating scholarly manuscripts on spatial planning and development.
- **Research Methodology & Technical Proficiency:** Proficient in advanced research methodologies and data analysis software, including qualitative methods, SPSS, and spatial mapping using GIS, ensuring rigorous and data-driven project outcomes.

## DETAILED PROFILE

### Presented/published papers

- Conference presentation (Poster) titled, '*Enhancing Urban Identity Through Smart City Technologies: A case of medieval port city of Kochi*', presented at Smart Sustainable Cities 2025: Pioneering Novel Frontiers for Green Urban Living from March 05–07, 2025, Online.
- Conference presentation titled, '*Spatial Schematic Model of Indian Colonial Port City: Drawing Parallels for Kochi from Existing Models*', presented at the 2nd Conference on Future Challenges in Sustainable Urban Planning & Territorial Management from January 29–31, 2024, Online.
- Journal article titled, '*Place Making and Sustainable Urbanism: Strategies for Creating Liveable and Resilient Cities*' in Engineering Proceedings (2024 CiteScore:1.2) 53(1), November 2023 - (Scopus indexed).
- Journal article titled, '*An Investigation of placemaking attributes for cultural tourism in historic port cities: Using the Fuzzy Delphi method*' in Engineering Proceedings 53(1), November 2023 - (Scopus indexed).
- Journal article (ACCEPTED) titled, '*Morphology of waterfront public spaces in Indian colonial port cities: A Case Study of Kochi city*' in International Review for Spatial Planning and Sustainable Development, revision received November 24, 2023 - (Scopus indexed).
- Conference presentation titled, '*Exploring Water Smart management in Smart cities of Rajasthan, India*', presented at RHAR 2023: 3rd International Conference on 'River Health: Assessment to Restoration (RHAR)' from October 12–14, 2023, at the Indian Institute of Technology (Banaras Hindu University) Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh, India.
- Conference presentation titled, '*Water Sensitive Placemaking: Smart Water Integration for Resilient and Liveable Public Open Spaces*', presented at RHAR 2023: 3rd International Conference on 'River Health: Assessment to Restoration (RHAR)' from October 12–14, 2023, at the Indian Institute of Technology (Banaras Hindu University) Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh, India.
- Article titled, '*Challenges for IWRM in Ajmer*' in Elets eGov Magazine – Special edition in collaboration with National Institute of Urban Affairs (NIUA), March Issue on SDG 6.5.
- Magazine article titled, '*The Countless Silhouettes of Divinity*' in Journal of the Indian Institute of Architects, Volume 87, Issue 12, December 2022.
- Paper presentation titled, '*Patterns and approaches in Urban regeneration*', at All India seminar on Heritage architecture during February 29 - 1st March 2020 at The Institution of Engineers (India) Jodhpur local centre.
- Paper presentation titled, '*Attitude towards conservation: Challenges faced in a conservation attempt of a 100-year-old Colonial School Building in Calicut*', at 'International conference on urban conservation: Urban Conservation: Restoration and Rejuvenation of Heritage and Culture of Historic Cities' during Nov 26 - 28, 2018 at Centre for Built Environment, Kolkata.
- Paper presentation titled, '*The story of Connolly Canal - A Walk to apologize*', at 2nd International Conference on Design Pedagogy and Contextual Aesthetics (ICDPCA 2017) - Thanima' during Jan 19 - 21, 2017 at Dept. of Architecture, National Institute of Technology in association with Indian Institute of Architects Calicut chapter and E K F, Pune.

### Intellectual Property / Copyrights

- Copyright registration application (Diary No. LD-34189/2025-CO) for "Tourism assets – Interactive website" under the Literary/Dramatic category, submitted on 25 August 2025, currently under review by the Copyright Office, Government of India.
- Copyright registration application (Diary No. LD-34190/2025-CO) for "Cultural tourism – Intangible tourism assets – HTML website" under the Literary/Dramatic category, submitted on 25 August 2025, currently under review by the Copyright Office, Government of India.
- Copyright registration application (Diary No. AT-33294/2025-CO) for "Water Sensitive Placemaking Approaches" under the Artistic category, submitted on 19 August 2025, currently under review by the Copyright Office, Government of India.

### Attended Training / Summer / Winter Schools:

- Faculty Development Programme on '*Technology Management*' during December 14 – 18, 2020 organized by AICTE Training and Learning (ATAL) Academy conducted at Malaviya National Institute of Technology, Jaipur.

- Training program by Council of architecture Training and Research Centre (COA-TRC) on '**Documentation of Architectural Heritage**' from November 12th -16th, 2018 at MES College of Architecture, Kozhikode.
- Exposure Programme by National Association of Students of Architecture (NASA) on '**Laurie Baker's Approach in Architecture and Building Science**' from Oct 15th -18th, 2018 at Laurie Baker Centre for Habitat Studies, Thiruvananthapuram.
- Faculty Induction Programme during July 17 – 21, 2017 sponsored and organized by Council of Architecture Training and Research Centre, Pune.
- Summer School (2016 - Batch I) by COSTFORD on '**Towards a sustainable habitat - Based on Laurie Baker's Philosophy and Approach**' a Hands-on Workshop on Cost Effective Construction Techniques from May 18-31, 2017 at Laurie Baker Centre for Habitat Studies, Thiruvananthapuram.

### Academic services

- Reviewed several articles for the Journal: International Review for Spatial Planning and Sustainable Development (*Q2 - JIF 1.6 – Scopus indexed*)

### Attended Seminars / Workshops / Conferences / Short Term Programs:

- Short Term Training Programme on '**Qualitative Social Science Research: Methods and Approaches from an Interdisciplinary Perspective**' a Research Methodology Course (RMC) sponsored by sponsored by the Indian Council of Social Science Research, New Delhi and conducted online by the Gujarat Institute of Development Research during February 1-10, 2021.
- Short Term Training Programme on '**Planning Techniques and Data Analysis using SPSS and RCmdr**' sponsored by TEQIP III and jointly organized by MNIT Jaipur & CTAE Udaipur from 18th September to 22nd September 2020 conducted at Department of Architecture & Planning, Malaviya National Institute of Technology, Jaipur.
- Short Term Training Programme on '**System Dynamics Simulation & Research Techniques**' sponsored by TEQIP III and jointly organized by MNIT Jaipur & CET Udaipur from 31st August 2019 to 4th September 2019 conducted at Department of Architecture & Planning, Malaviya National Institute of Technology, Jaipur.
- International Symposium On '**Tropical Architecture and Urbanism**' during Sept 28 -30, 2015 at Dept. of Architecture, College of Engineering, Thiruvananthapuram (CET).

### Organised Workshops / Conferences / Short Term Programs:

- Organiser at 'The IIA young architects Festival crossroads 2022' organised by IIA Kerala Chapter from October 27 to October 29, 2022 at Calicut trade centre.
- Staff Coordinator of the project '**Rainbow Stairs**' - reviving abandoned public niches in Calicut city as a part of the project 'Making the city – A placemaking initiative' funded by Devaki Amma Memorial Trust, 2019.
- Coordinator for '**Urban Design Studio Collaboration Programme - Restructuring of Public Realm: Calicut**' hosted by DG College of Architecture in association with MES College of Engineering, Kuttipuram on 23rd July, 2016 at MES College of Engineering, Kuttipuram.

### Professional Affiliations

- Member of Council of Architecture, New Delhi, India.
- Associate member of Indian Institute of Architecture, IIA Calicut chapter.

### Awards and Recognitions

- **Best Presentation Award** for the conference presentation for article titled, 'Place Making and Sustainable Urbanism: Strategies for Creating Liveable and Resilient Cities', at The 1st International Online Conference on Buildings: Advances in Building Planning, Design, Construction, and Operation (October 24–26, 2023). Received a cash prize of 500 CHF with the certificate. <https://sciforum.net/event/IOCBD2023>
- Map illustrator for the book '**The Legacy of Shivaji the Great: Military Strategy, Naval Supremacy, and the Maratha Empire**', authored by Col. Anil Athale and published by Indus Source Books on October 26, 2023.
- Illustrator for the book '**My Own Mazagon - the history of the little island in the Bombay archipelago**', authored by Captain Ramesh Babu and published by Indus Source Books on July 2021.

- Urban Design Consultant with De earth for the social and public initiative project '***Freedom Square, Calicut Beach Stage***' to envisage a cultural space for Calicut funded by MLA Special Development fund in 2020.
- Illustrator for the book '***Calicut Heritage Trails***', authored by Captain Ramesh Babu and published by DC Books on January 2020 at Kerala Literature Festival.
- Proponent in renovation of dilapidated residences for the underprivileged students funded by Devaki Amma Memorial Trust, Malappuram since 2018.
- Preparation of '***Conservation appraisal report for St. Josephs Anglo Indian Girls Higher secondary school, Calicut***' to safeguard the heritage of the city.
- Ambassador at ***Heart and Heritage community*** to conducts heritage walks in the city of Calicut for locals and American road scholars in collaboration with Indian Navy Veteran, Captain Ramesh Babu (Ex- Director NIRDESH) for the needs of underprivileged children since 2017.
- **I<sup>st</sup> Prize** for Paper presentation titled, '***MOVE-FREE: Hybrid transit runnable on road and beam rail***', in Ideaz: Architecture & Planning Cell-01-Cognizance 2011 conducted at IIT Roorkee on March 11-13, 2011.
- **II<sup>nd</sup> Prize** for Paper presentation titled, '***MASTER BUILDER: The total construction machine***', in Ideaz: Architecture & Planning Cell-03-Cognizance 2011 conducted at IIT Roorkee on March 11-13, 2011.
- **II<sup>nd</sup> Prize** for Paper presentation titled, '***Sustainability***', in MESTECH 2010 conducted at MES College of Engineering, Kuttipuram on December 1-2, 2010.

### Other Relevant Certificates

- Online course on '***Design a Factor Analysis using Survey Data in Google Sheets***' authorised by Coursera project network and offered through Coursera in June 2021.
- Online course on '***Excel Fundamentals for Data Analysis***' authorised by Macquarie University, Sydney, Australia and offered through Coursera in September 2020.
- Online course on '***What is "the mind" and What is Artificial Intelligence?***' authorised by University of Colorado offered through Coursera in September 2020.
- Online course on '***Questionnaire Design for Social Survey***' authorised by University of Michigan and offered through Coursera in August 2020.
- National Webinar on '***How to write research papers and publish in International Journal***' organised by Department of MBA and IEM, held on 9th July 2020 at Dr. Ambedkar Institute of Technology, Bengaluru.
- Online course on '***Everyday Excel, Part 1***' authorised by University of Colorado and offered through Coursera in July 2020.
- Online course on '***Everyday Excel, Part 2***' authorised by University of Colorado and offered through Coursera in July 2020.
- Online course on '***Introduction to GIS Mapping***' authorised by University of Toronto and offered through Coursera in June 2020.
- Webinar on '***Temple Architecture of Kerala***' organised by Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts Regional Centre Thrissur, held on 18th June 2020.
- Webinar on '***Mendeley: A complete solution to organize research***' organised by Department of computer science and Engineering, FET, MRIIRS, Faridabad in May 2020.
- Completed Certification course on '***Revit Architecture***', authorized by CADD Centre in October 2009.

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### DECLARATION

I, Chinnu S Kumar, declare that the information furnished above is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Place : Bengaluru

**Date** : July, 2025