Keynote Lecture

Himanshu Parikh

Himanshu Parikh studied engineering sciences at Cambridge University and practised in UK for ten years before moving to India in 1982. In India, he has done innovative work in structural engineering as well as in urban planning, environmental upgradation and infrastructure design, with an emphasis on low-income urban and rural areas. His focus is to use water and environmental sanitation as a principal catalyst of poverty alleviation. In structures, Mr. Parikh has developed the concept of ‘mindful buildings’ based on simplicity, frugality and multiplicity. Currently, he spends most of his time in India on developmental work, teaching intermittently in Ahmedabad and Cambridge.

Prof. Parikh has held various positions outside his practice, including member of Planning Commission group on poverty alleviation and member of Governing Council of Department of Science and Technology, India. He has received several awards including the SOM Fakhru Khan Fellowship for excellence in structural design, the United Nations World Habitat Award for Urban Development, Aga Khan Award for Architecture and a Citation by Government of India. In recognition of his contributions, in 2003 he was invited as a Fellow to the Royal Society of Arts, UK.

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