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Message

Conventional methods of construction of a building are thoroughly dependent on raw material and natural resources. Most of the approaches use non-renewable footprints. The global impact of these approaches is detrimental to human lives. The call of the hour is upon us to embrace strategies that are sustainable and planet friendly. Sustainable buildings reduce harmful impacts and are also healthier and cost-effective in terms of the payback period.

The sustainable building design is a practical and climate-conscious approach that ensures minimum harm to the environment while constructing and operating the building. It can function to avail an optimum amount of energy and water, conserve virgin and natural resources, generate less waste, and create spaces for healthy and comfortable living compared to conventional buildings.

The public authorities should consider promoting the design and construction of such sustainable buildings to create a green zone, providing a much healthier environment. India made steadfast progress in the last decade in energy and water efficiency. There has been public outcry as well, in support of planet-friendly construction and related policies. We have miles to cross before we stop. The aim is to create many eco-friendly cities, villages, suburbs, smart cities, and real estates, which would help the communities and, therefore, build them green.

ASSOCHAM is working incessantly to create a sustainable nation aligned with 'United Nations Sustainable Development Goals – 2030'. As a leap towards the vision, ASSOCHAM executes the 'GEM Green Building Rating System' for the buildings. I would like to congratulate the 'Council for Green and Eco-friendly Movement' and its state chapters, executive body and certified professionals for the exemplary work and wish good luck in the endeavor.

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Vineet Agarwal



Deepak Sood
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Message

Buildings have a tremendous impact on people and the planet. Every component of a building, starting from pre-design to the operation phase, relies on natural resources. The responsibility is upon us to make it sustainable, leveraging optimised natural resources. It ensures water-efficient and energy-efficient implementations and has a much smaller carbon footprint. It also ensures that the surrounding ecosystem is protected. Sustainability is the way to lead life and construct buildings.

ASSOCHAM, the century-old organisation, has taken up the sustainability movement to a new high. It initiated its responsibility to care for the mother earth by executing its sustainability certification program called 'Green and Eco-Friendly Movement (GEM)', with the support of regional chambers, over 4.5 lac large, medium & small-scale industries and over 65 National Councils.

It is commonly believed that sustainable buildings are costlier than regular buildings. However, it has been effectively proven that the overall costs are much lesser than the conventional buildings. Green Buildings have been proven to have a positive impact on the health of residents as well. Since these buildings provide a balanced and optimal ecosystem for residents, they positively affect the productivity and well-being of the occupants.

Since its launch, the GEM program has made rapid strides in the sector. I congratulate the entire team for initiating the GEM Movement across sectors and urge the industry to take a step towards building our planet green.

Deepak Sood



Pankaj Dharkar

Chairman, ASSOCHAM National Council for
Green & Eco-Friendly Movement (CGEM)

Message

Sustainable building design is about building the future, not just a structure. Sustainability is a form of development that meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs. Effective sustainable design of a building is a comprehensive approach to select and integrate design, planning, products, and processes that account for consumer satisfaction and environmental conservation.

Studies show that the buildings account for 18% of total CO2 emissions. According to a report from the United Nations Environment Program, if construction keeps growing at the present rate, the emissions will double by 2050. While buildings are a major contributing factor to global emissions, they also hold significant potential to contribute to deductions, if we start focusing on building it green. India is undergoing rapid urbanisation and the urban population is set to rise from 33% of India's population to 52% by 2030. This will put a lot of strain on our natural resources. It is high time to act.

ASSOCHAM has taken an initiative to care for the mother earth and designed the Sustainable Building Design and Construction Program called 'Green and Eco-Friendly Movement (GEM)'. Since its inception, it evolved as an indigenous, intent driven green building rating system. The Council for Green and Eco-friendly movement signed MoUs with major organisations and universities, with the sole vision of spreading awareness across the country. Mission 100 stands out as a sustainability drive to prepare young minds in the academical phase. Apart from that, GEM certified projects proudly witnessed the impact of sustainability in design and construction of the building. As a collaborative approach, GEM Certified Professionals (GEM CP) are marching hand in hand with the council.

I am sure that ASSOCHAM being the Apex and Oldest Industrial Chamber of India, will efficiently lead this sustainability movement. I wish all the best to the entire team for the noble cause.

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Message

The healthcare sector is undergoing a tremendous transformation, with the advent of modern technologies, ever changing medical protocols and more importantly newer economic models.

The complex dynamics of treatment is being simplified towards a holistic manner of research, customization, and collaboration across alternative forms of medicines as well. With such an engaging opportunity of a healthy world, new challenges are also surfacing up. The world has seen it in the forms of diseases, epidemics, and life-threatening situations.

It is very essential to provide an atmosphere of sustainability (environmental & economic sustainability) inside all the healthcare premises. Our approach to introduce indigenous and practical sustainability principles is a path towards achieving it.

As an innovative solution of adding sustainability to the very fabric of the building materials, ASSOCHAM GEM Healthcare rating system integrated three major aspects, that are often overlooked:

1. First is, integrating the policies of the management for the operation and maintenance phase of the premises at design stage.
2. Second is, alignment of the Building Owners processes to the long-term commitment of Government of India's Sustainability Goals & United Nations Sustainability Development Goals – 2030.
3. Third is, ease of going green, without increasing the burden on the designer and promoters.

It is a noble effort by ASSOCHAM to initiate sustainability protocols, with a thorough idea of sensitizing a movement in the health industry and drive the professionals to work in a better, comfortable, efficient, and committed manner.

I wish all the best to the Council for Green and Eco-friendly Movement.

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Care for the Mother Earth

ASSOCHAM, the century old organization, executes GEM Green Building Certification Program for the sustainable design and development of the buildings and related developments. The objective is to ensure future buildings move towards environment friendly methods of design, construction, and operations.

ASSOCHAM awards GEM Green Building Certification Rating, to all GEM compliant green buildings.

GEM stands for Green and Eco-friendly Movement.

The program includes Sustainability, Energy and Water Efficiency, Fire and life safety, Indoor Air Quality, Daylight, Fresh Air and Human Comfort and is based upon BEE ECBC 2017 and NBC 2016.

All existing, under construction or upcoming projects and facilities can register for this certification rating program.

ASSOCHAM welcomes various options and suggestions such that we create a country of sustainability and hope, rather than imitating principles from different parts of the world, not applicable or replicable in Indian subcontinent.

GEM Sustainability Certification Rating Program aims to address the sustainability of a given development throughout its lifecycle from design through construction to operation. GEM Sustainability Certification Reference Guide provides design guidance and detailed requirements for rating a project's potential performance.

GEM Sustainability Certification Rating has been organized into Thirty Principles that are fundamental to a more sustainable development. These Principles include but not limited to–



1. Natural landscape and tree plantation - Conserving, preserving, and restoring the regional natural environment and habitat
2. Fire and Life Safety requirements integration in Sustainable Buildings.
3. Use of Passive Design Strategies in the Sustainable Buildings.
4. Save energy - Targeting energy conservation through improved building envelop, reduced demand, energy efficiency and renewable sources
5. Save water - Reducing water demand, encouraging efficient distribution, water treatment, reuse of treated water, rainwater harvesting and reuse
6. Regional and recycled materials - Considering regional and recycled materials when selecting and specifying materials. Reduce the use of virgin materials.
7. Natural light and fresh air - Improving quality and connectivity of outdoor and indoor spaces
8. United Nation Sustainability Development Goals - Integration of UNSDG 2030 goals and alignment of the requirements in a broader sense, beyond building as well, to make the world a better living place.

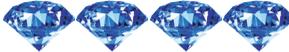
GEM Sustainability Certification Rating levels

There are some Essential and Suggested requirements of each Principle. Points are awarded for each Suggested requirement achieved.

There is a 0-135 point scale. Project will achieve GEM 1 to GEM 5 rating levels as per the requirements fulfilled and scores achieved by the project. This depends upon the project design which includes building architectural and elevation design, materials used during construction, HVAC, lighting and plumbing system designs, water, and energy consumption of the building.

To achieve a GEM Sustainability Certification Rating, all Essential requirements is mandatory to be fulfilled along with a minimum number of Principle points. GEM 5 will be the highest achievable rating level in this program.

This rating program is applicable to Healthcare buildings and developments. Project team can go for a Certification of Intent (Provisional Certification) rating during pre-design, design or construction stages of the project and Final Certification rating when the building is complete.

S. No.	Points Scored	GEM Levels	GEM
1	All essential requirements and 40 - 49 points	GEM 1	
2	All essential requirements and 50 - 64 points	GEM 2	
3	All essential requirements and 65 - 84 points	GEM 3	
4	All essential requirements and 85 - 104 points	GEM 4	
5	All essential requirements and 105 points or above	GEM 5	

Note: If the requirements prescribed by local competent authority are more stringent, those will be followed.

Key benefits of the certification –

1. Review of all design documents such as Architectural, Mechanical, Electrical, Plumbing and Landscape by Sustainability experts for further value addition from green building perspective.
2. Energy and water efficient building design that will reduce the energy and water consumption of the building.
3. Design of a building that will utilize maximum daylight, fresh air and provide healthy environment to the building occupants.
4. Sustainability Certification rating will give additional marketing mileage to the projects over other conventional buildings.

Time frame for the award of rating -

- A. **Pre-certification/Provisional Certification/Certification of Intent Rating** - Council will firmly evaluate the documentation within Twenty days timeframe.
- B. **Final Certification Rating** - Council will firmly evaluate the documentation within Thirty days timeframe.



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GEM Sustainability Certification Rating Program Points List

Sl. No.	Principles	Description	Maximum Points
1	Principle-1	Government Approved Plans	E
2	Principle-2	Fire and Life Safety in Sustainable Buildings	E
3	Principle-3	Construction Management Best Practices	E
4	Principle-4	Parking for Building Occupants	E
5	Principle-5	Propogating Passive Design Strategies	5
6	Principle-6	Best Practices for Landscape	4
7	Principle-7	Preserve and Plant Trees Onsite	2
8	Principle-8	High Albedo Materials - Roof and Non-roof	6
9	Principle-9	Rainwater Harvesting – Recharge and/ or Reuse	4
10	Principle-10	Install Low Flow Water Fixtures	8
11	Principle-11	On-site Treatment of Grey & Black Water & Reuse for	6
12	Principle-12	Best Practices for Irrigation	3
13	Principle-13	Measurement of Energy and Water Consumption	6
14	Principle-14	Post Occupancy – Non-hazardous and Hazardous	6
15	Principle-15	Food Inspection Plan and SDG - 3	3

16	Principle-16	Best Practices for Sanitisation, Odour and Tranquility	6
17	Principle-17	Best Practices for United Nation SDG - 3 and SDG - 13	4
18	Principle-18	Reduced Exposure to VOC	3
19	Principle-19	Best Practices for Acoustic and Vibration	1
20	Principle-20	Sustainable Development of Construction Engineering	12
21	Principle-21	Local Sourcing of Construction Materials	6
22	Principle-22	Judicious use of hard wood and soft wood	4
23	Principle-23	Energy Management Best Practices	12
24	Principle-24	Smoke and Respiratory Particle free environment	5
25	Principle-25	Water Quality, Mold, Moisture, Bacteria prevention plan	8
26	Principle-26	Optimal Use of Natural Light	6
27	Principle-27	Healthy Indoor Air Quality	6
28	Principle-28	Training and Capacity Building of Project Team	2
29	Principle-29	Activities for Corporate Social Responsibility and SDGs	2
30	Principle-30	Going the Extra Miles	5
		TOTAL POINTS	135

Principle 1 : Government Approved Plans

Essential

Aim: Project must have all necessary statutory approvals from applicable/competent government authorities.

Requirements: (Essential)

Documents to be provided at the time of Certification of Intent (Provisional/Pre-Certification) rating -

1. Land allotment letter
2. Government approved site plan with Site area, Built-up/FAR area, and Parking details

In case, the government approval is not available at the time of **Certification of Intent** (Provisional/Pre-Certification) rating, following details can be submitted:

- a. Site plan with all the details and an acknowledgement letter from a competent government authority regarding the submission of site plans for approval
- OR
- a. Site plan with all the details and a letter from the project owner confirming the project details. Government approved site plan with all the details can be submitted as soon as it is received by the project team prior to occupancy.
3. Approved building plans and clearance from Chief Fire Officer or local competent authority as applicable
 4. Approved special clearance from coastal regulation zone authority, and/or heritage committee, if applicable.

Documents to be provided at the time of Final Certification rating -

1. Government approved final site plan with Site area, Built-up/FAR area, and parking details.
2. Fit for occupancy certificate from the Municipal Corporation

3. No Objection Certificate from Chief Fire Officer or local competent authority as applicable
4. Environmental Clearance Certificate/Environmental Impact Assessment report from competent authority as applicable
5. Special clearance from competent authorities, if applicable.

Calculations and Methodology:

Site area, Built-up area (BUA), Floor area ratio (FAR) and Parking details mentioned in the Government approved site plan must be used for all respective Principles.

The building plans shall be clearly marked to indicate the complete fire protection arrangements and the means of access/escape for the proposed building with suitable legend along with principal signs and symbols on the drawings. For example, sprinklers, hooters, detectors, MCP, extinguisher etc. The same shall be duly signed/certified by a licensed Fire Consultant/Architect.

Documents to be submitted:

As listed in the Requirements above

Principle 2 : Fire, Health and Life Safety in Sustainable Buildings

Essential

Aim: Ensure Fire, Health and Life Safety in Sustainable Buildings per National Building Codes 2016 (Part 4) and requirements prescribed by local competent for the authority.

Requirements:

Follow National Building Codes 2016 (Part 3 and Part 4) and requirements prescribed by local competent for the authority and obtain Fire, Health and Life Safety.No Objection Certificates from the competent authorities for the facility.

Calculations and Methodology:

Implement strategies and techniques for fire prevention and using appropriate Operation and Maintenance strategies, fire detection and alarm systems.

Ensure flawless operation of fire-fighting system at the time of any fire incident.

Fire safe design of HVAC system in the facility.

Fire rating of the materials used in the facility should be as per the requirements prescribed by local competent for the authority.

Prepare the evacuation plan of the occupants in case of any fire incident.

Prepare a training plan for the facility team and occupants of the facility.

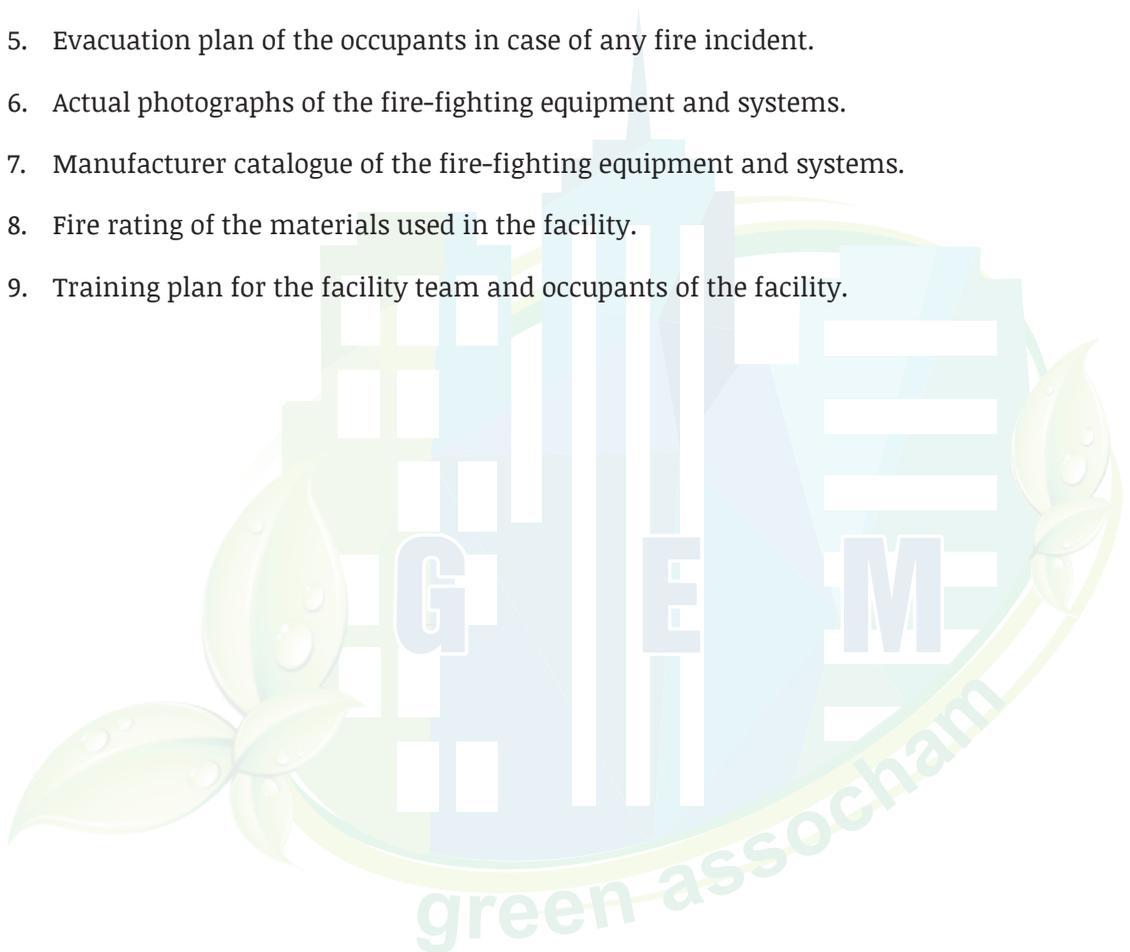
Refer FSAI Suraksha Index (FSI),a technical reference guide created by Fire and Security Association of India for details.

Implement strategies and techniques for open space, amenities, special requirements, smoke control and pressurization of areas above ground.

Documents to be submitted:

1. No Objection Certificate from local competent authority.

2. All approved floor plans, sections, and elevations.
3. Plans highlighting the locations of fire-fighting equipment and systems.
4. Plans highlighting the compliance for health care requirements as per National Building Code 2016.
5. Evacuation plan of the occupants in case of any fire incident.
6. Actual photographs of the fire-fighting equipment and systems.
7. Manufacturer catalogue of the fire-fighting equipment and systems.
8. Fire rating of the materials used in the facility.
9. Training plan for the facility team and occupants of the facility.



Principle 3 : Construction Management Best Practices

Essential

Aim: Minimize hazardous effects of construction on existing soil conditions, existing trees, micro-climate, and drainage system and follow best management practices during construction and post occupancy for the control of soil erosion from project site.

Requirements: (Essential)

1. Conduct site survey to show existing vegetation including shrubs, grass covers, trees – preserved, transplanted and/or removed
2. Prepare and implement soil erosion and sedimentation control plan at site during construction
3. Refer National Building Code of India 2016, Volume 2, PART 10, Section 1 and Chapter 5
4. Provide the following including but not limited to –
 - a. Site boundary around the project site
 - b. If the topsoil is fertile and suitable for landscape use, stockpile the top soil of the site with temporary vegetation and/or cover.
 - c. Sediment basin(s) at the lowermost level of the site from where the site storm water will run-off
5. Prepare and implement spill prevention and control plans at site during construction.
6. Environment Clearance, wherever required.

Calculations and Methodology:

1. Excavation and soil erosion prevention measures shall be sequenced during non-rainy months as possibilities of soil erosion are the lowest during non-rainy months. In case, excavation is unavoidable during rainy months, slope protection techniques shall be used to control erosion.
2. Upper 200-300 mm thick layer of topsoil can be removed from disturbed areas such

as building footprint, driveways, walkways, and external services, preserved and reapplied to site during future landscape. Topsoil shall be separated from other constructed activities. Reuse the soil, if fertile (based on past condition of the site area), for future landscape. The soil can be donated to other sites, nurseries and/or farmers for landscaping and agricultural purposes. Project is exempted from this requirement if the top soil is not fertile.

3. Implement site measures such as temporary and permanent seeding, mulching, earth dikes, silt fencing, sediment traps, and sediment basins, as applicable. Open areas where no construction activity is going on can be landscaped with native grass, trees and shrubs.
4. Preserve existing site vegetation in order to avoid bare soil exposure to construction activity.
5. Sediment basins, rain water runoff diversions and drainage systems can be installed before excavation activity. Earth dike, swale and temporary drainage channels shall be constructed in a manner to channel storm water runoff to a desired location.
6. Hazardous wastes spill prevention and control plans shall be prepared and implemented at site. Hazardous wastes include (but not limited to) pesticides, paints, cleaners, petroleum products, fertilizers and solvents.
7. Sedimentation basin is a temporary basin so constructed at the lowest point of the site that it can trap and collect the sediment present in the storm water runoff. This slowdown the flow and allows most of the sediments to settle before the runoff is directed towards the outfall.
8. Paved areas can be installed with permeable paving. For hard-scape impermeable surfaces, divert all rain water run-offs towards rain water collection pits and/or sediment basins.

Documents to be submitted:

1. Soil Erosion Control plan signed by the project Architect for pre-construction, during construction and post occupancy

2. Site layout with all soil erosion control measures including both prior to and during construction
3. Site photographs of all soil erosion control measures implemented at site
4. Site survey plan showing existing vegetation including shrubs, grass covers, trees – preserved, transplanted and/or removed.
5. Spill prevention and control plans prepared and implemented at site along with site photographs.
6. Project environment clearance report (as applicable)



Principle 4 : Parking for Building Occupants

Essential

Aim: Project must meet or exceed the parking requirements as per local parking by-laws.

Requirements: (Essential)

1. Provide the parking as per local parking by-laws and Government approved site/parking plans
2. Project can meet or exceed the parking requirements as per local parking by-laws
3. In places where local parking by-laws do not exist, follow National Building Code (NBC) of India, 2016

Calculations and Methodology:

Project must provide the parking as per local parking by-laws and Government approved site/parking plans. National Building Code (NBC) of India, 2016 can be followed to calculate the parking numbers and parking design where local parking by-laws do not exist.

Parking details mentioned in the Government approved site/parking plans must be used in all respective Principles. Dedicated parking shall be provided for bicycles, two wheelers, four wheelers and ambulances, as per the local parking by-laws.

Documents to be submitted:

1. Government approved site plan with parking details
2. Copy of local parking by-laws
3. Photographs of the parking at the time of final certification – with location, date, and time stamp

Principle 5 : Propagating Passive Design Strategies

5 points

Aim: Implement Passive Design Strategies to reduce the consumption of energy, water, and natural resources.

Principle requirements:

GEM Sustainability Certification propagated by ASSOCHAM has been re-envisioned to adopt the ancient heritage as well as tested systems and humanistic approach where the human settlements are for humans to live.

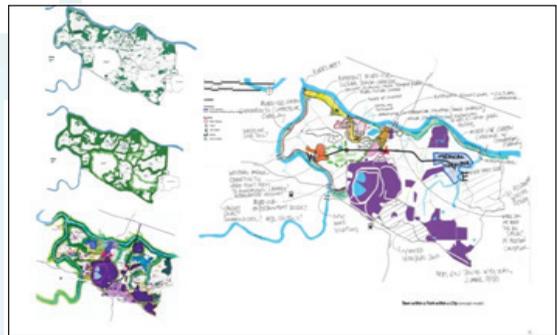
GEM looks upon the physical planning, solar movement, wind usages, water conservation, passive technologies to air cooling and warming creating beyond net-zero habitats are the major strategies of design which shall be a trendsetter in infrastructure for Indian sustainable smart habitats.

In today's world, more emphasis is being given on active design strategies and systems like electronically automated sensor systems, artificially controlled temperature systems and various other technologically advanced materials thus reducing energy consumption, water consumption and consumption of natural resource. However, in this race of technology and globalization empowered world, perhaps we have forgotten our great heritage, ethnic values, culture, and social bondage.

We have a great history of many centuries with advanced eras of civilizations dedicated to the natural resources, solar oscillations, wind movement, topography, or terrain of the land. Particularly in this part of the globe where we have Hot/Dry and Hot/Humid climate compared to the western world where it is mostly Cold/Dry or Cold/Humid climate. We need to have minimal penetration of glared sun in our built environment whereas in the western world we need to invite the sun to the maximum.



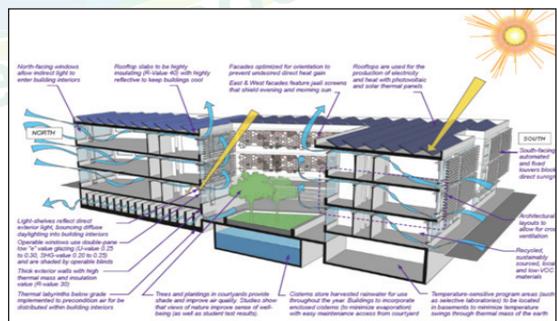
Therefore, our physical planning norms need to address human settlements in terms of low rise with high density creating mutual shading, the hierarchy of common open spaces as courtyards used as public areas and also connecting one green space to another green thus creating walkable and cyclable towns of tomorrow. The passive planning in terms of use of natural terrain and using low profile contoured land as storm water resource management evolving through the natural water resource features such as step wells, baoris and kunds. A tested process through many era of civilizations to be adopted in modern eras as part of integrated planning.



For example, the north-east penetration of sun in the habitats particularly in kitchens and bedrooms is a positive aspect and the south-west being the highest with fenestrations and pergolas thus cutting the glared south-west sun into the building along with jalis is a natural phenomenon to create sustainable residential habitat which is diminishing in modern era of global architecture. For healthcare, passive design strategies in enhancing ambience of doctors, patients can also be a complimentary approach towards a better treatment.



Alternative ways of ventilation, cooling, underground air tunnel systems, water



bodies, fountains, landscaped mounds, variety of plantations are some of the design elements to be considered and included while creating green buildings.

Calculations and Methodology:

Free hands have been given to the Architects, Designers and Consultants to design and implement the Passive Design Strategies so that the use of energy, water and natural resources can be minimized. Use of daylight and fresh air can be maximized with the help of passive design strategies.

The strategies should be substantial and should be able to reduce the need of energy, water, and natural resources of the project up to measurable extent.

One point each would be given to each passive design strategy implemented at the project and maximum up to five points. (1 – 5 points)

Documents to be submitted:

1. Design reports, drawings, concept notes from the design teams elaborating the passive design strategies implemented in the project.
2. Site photographs, with location, time, and date stamp, confirming above features.

Principle 6 : Best Practices for Landscape

4 points

Aim: Maximize natural landscape area and plant native/adaptive/drought tolerant flora onsite.

Principle requirements:

1. Minimum landscape area requirements:
At least 10% of site area **(1 point)**
OR
At least 15% of site area **(2 points)**
2. This covers the landscape area over mother earth only. Terrace garden, podiums, vertical gardens and alike are not in the scope of this principle.
3. Plant native/adaptive/drought tolerant flora onsite for at least 35% of total landscape area. **(essential)**
OR
Plant native/adaptive/drought tolerant flora onsite for at least 55% of total landscape area. **(2 points)**
4. If the mandatory landscape area requirements prescribed by municipal corporation/ environment department, are more stringent, the same will be followed. In that case, the project will be awarded the two points upon compliance.

Calculations and Methodology:

Project team should plant native/adaptive/drought tolerant plants species onsite to reduce landscape water demand. Potted plants cannot be considered for the compliance of above principle requirements.

List of native plants, adaptive or drought tolerant flora must be approved by landscape architect or project Architect.

Site area must be taken from Government approved/to be approved site plan and must be consistent in all the Principles.

Documents to be submitted:

1. Landscape drawing showing details of plants species planted at site
2. List of native plants, adaptive or drought tolerant flora approved by landscape architect or project Architect
3. Site photographs confirming above features



Principle 7 : Preserve and Plant Trees Onsite

2 points

Aim: Onsite preservation of developed trees and plantation of more native/adaptive trees.

Requirements:

1. Do not cut any existing developed tree onsite. Transplant developed trees within the site. Ensure the survival of all transplanted trees. In case it becomes necessary to cut trees, plant 3 trees for every 1 tree cut of the similar species. This point is not applicable if there is no developed tree onsite. **(essential)**
2. Plant native tree saplings onsite as per following criteria that can develop into grown up trees of medicinal values (such as neem plant): **(2 points)**
 - a. At least 5 for site area up to 500 m²
 - b. At least 5 for every additional 500 m² site area or part thereof

Calculations and Methodology:

Project team should plant native/adaptive trees and tree saplings to meet the requirements of this Principle. Potted plants cannot be considered for the compliance of this Principle.

Documents to be submitted:

1. Site plan showing the existing developed trees onsite
2. Site photographs of tree transplantation process – with location, time and date stamp
3. Permission from statutory authority to cut/transplant tree.
4. Landscape plan showing the location of all trees (transplanted and new saplings) as applicable.
5. Photographs of all trees (transplanted and new saplings)

Principle 8 : High Albedo Materials - Roof and Non-Roof

6 points

Aim: Use high albedo materials on exposed roof and non-roof hardscape areas to reduce the heat island effect as well as cooling energy consumption.

Principle requirements:

Provide the following –

1. At least 40% of parking area is either located in the basement and stilt floor or covered with high albedo material. **(1 point)**
OR
More than 60% of parking area is either located in the basement and stilt floor or covered with high albedo material. **(2 points)**
2. Open grid grass pavers and/or shade giving trees to cover at least 40% area of open surface parking, driveways, and walkways. **(2 points)**
3. Roof vegetation or high albedo materials or combination of both for more than 70% of exposed roof areas. Exposed roof does not include the areas covered by services provided on the roof. **(2 points)**

Calculations and Methodology:

Roof vegetation and high albedo materials can save cooling energy use by directly reducing the heat gain through a building envelope and by lowering the urban air temperature about the building.

Roof vegetation and high albedo materials can be used on the rooftops, exposed surfaces of parking lots. Parking can be provided in the basement or stilt floor.

Open grid grass pavers and/or shade giving trees can be provided to cover at least 40% area of open surface parking, driveways, and walkways.

Materials that look white reflect most of the radiations and have a high albedo whereas materials that appear dark absorb most of the radiation have a low albedo.

Use reflective coating with SRI more than 80 for low-slope surfaces with a slope of 2:12 or less and 30 to 65 for steep-slope surfaces with a slope of greater than 2:12. Solar Reflective Index (SRI) of perfectly black surface and a perfectly white surface can be considered as 0 and 100 respectively.

Documents to be submitted:

1. Drawings showing areas of application where roof vegetation/high albedo materials/reflective roof coatings/open grid grass pavers/shade giving trees are used in the project
2. Trade catalogue/brochure/test certificate of reflective roof coating used in the project
3. Copy of purchase bills/invoices of reflective roof coating
4. Site photographs confirming the above requirements

Principle 9 : Rainwater Harvesting – Recharge and/ or Reuse

4 points

Aim: Utilize collected rainwater within the premises of the building to reduce post occupancy water demand and/or recharge the aquifers.

Requirements:

1. Install a suitably designed rain water storage system and/or recharge pit to cater to roof and non-roof rain water.
2. Store and/or recharge at least 30% of daily rain water-collected from all surfaces. (Essential)
3. Store and/or recharge more than 60% of daily rain water-collected from all surfaces. **(2 points)**
4. Store and/or recharge more than 90% of daily rain water collected from all surfaces. **(4 points)**
5. Use the stored rain water for landscape/flushing/domestic applications as applicable.
6. If any competent government authority says that the ground water table is high and ground water recharging is not required, then the project shall provide a storage system to cater to rain water from roof surfaces only and reuse it for landscape/flushing/domestic applications as applicable. **(essential + 4 points)**
7. Quality of rain water should meet the standards of landscape/flushing/domestic use as applicable.

Calculations and Methodology:

Recharge rain water from all surfaces by spreading or impounding water on the site to increase the infiltration through soil and percolation to the aquifers or inject water by bore wells directly into the aquifers. If ground water recharge is not feasible or not recommended by competent government authority, rain water storage can also be provided.

Provide de-silting chamber and oil and grease trap before intake of rain water harvesting system. Overflow of rain water harvesting system can go into the municipal drainage system.

Use following steps to estimate total volume of rainwater generated within the premises of the building:

1. Take annual rainfall data (mm) occurred in last four consecutive years. Project team can add average monthly rainfall data for twelve months to get annual rainfall data for that year.
2. Take annual number of rainy days of respective years
3. Divide annual rainfall (mm) by number of rainy days of that year
4. One day average rain fall for four consecutive years will be available
5. Take arithmetic average of these four One day average rainfall values
6. This would be the average one day rain fall for estimating rain water runoff volume generated within the premises of the building
7. Use competent government website for monthly and annual rainfall data and number of rainy days
8. The days that recorded any amount of rainfall can be considered as Rainy Days.
9. Total runoff volume can be estimated by multiplying surface area with respective surface runoff coefficient and rainfall intensity of that place
10. Refer National Building Code of India (NBC), PART 9 for surface runoff coefficient and PART 11 for further details

Documents to be submitted:

1. Site drawings clearly showing all surface types
2. Rain water runoff volume calculation
3. Plumbing design brief report for rain water harvesting system design

4. Site storm water layout showing roof and non-roof rain water harvesting system
5. Rain water storage tank and/or recharge pit cross sectional drawings
6. Plumbing drawings confirming the use of rain water (as applicable)
7. Site photographs of rain water collection, storage tank and/or recharge pit



Principle 10 : Install Low Flow Water Fixtures

8 points

Aim: Project should install low flow water fixtures to reduce the demand of potable as well as non-potable water.

Requirements:

1. Install efficient water fixtures with flow rates not more than the values listed below: **(1 point for each product)**
 - I. Water Closets should be dual flush type with flush rates 4.6 LPF and 2.6 LPF
 - II. Health Faucets = 6.5 LPM at a design pressure of 3 bar
 - III. Kitchen Sink Faucets = 4.5 LPM at a design pressure of 3 bar
 - IV. Wash Basin Faucets = 4.5 LPM at a design pressure of 3 bar
 - V. Showers (all types) = 6.5 LPM at a design pressure of 3 bar
 - VI. Urinals = 1.5 LPF
2. Install sensor-based water fixtures (sink/basin faucets/urinals) with above flow rates in the common area applications. **(1 point)**
3. Install medical equipment that reduces the use of water needed for cooling or cleaning processes. **(1 point)**

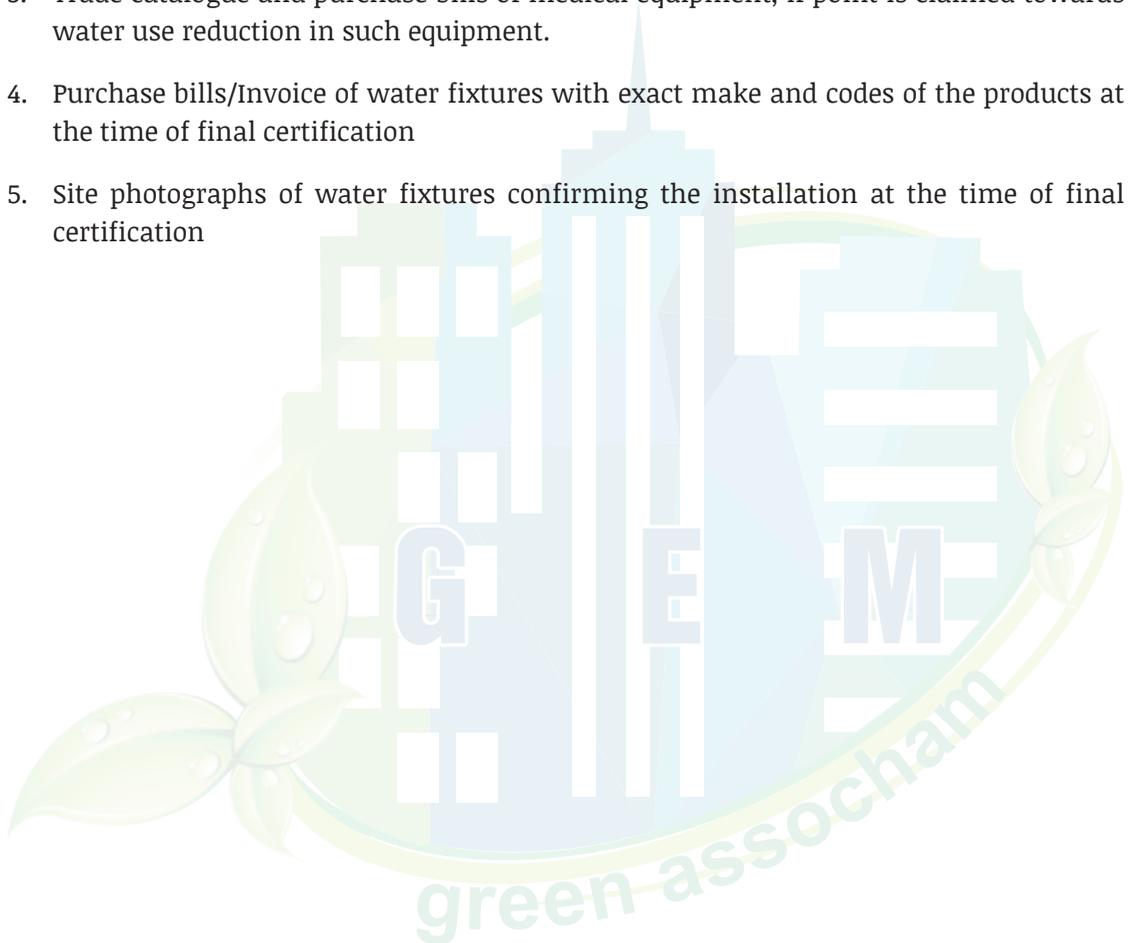
All other water fixtures that are intended to fill the bucket and/or bath tub can be excluded from above requirements.

Calculations and Methodology:

Install low flow and flush water fixtures in the project to reduce the potable and non-potable water demand. Water flow restrictors/aerators can also be installed in the high flow fixtures to make them appropriate as per the principle requirements mentioned above.

Documents to be submitted:

1. Trade catalogue or brochure of water fixtures
2. Trade catalogue or brochure of aerators installed in the water fixtures if applicable
3. Trade catalogue and purchase bills of medical equipment, if point is claimed towards water use reduction in such equipment.
4. Purchase bills/Invoice of water fixtures with exact make and codes of the products at the time of final certification
5. Site photographs of water fixtures confirming the installation at the time of final certification



Principle 11 : On-site Treatment of (Non-Patient) Grey and Black Water and Reuse for Flushing

6 points

Aim: Implement strategies for onsite treatment of Grey and Black water (non-patient) and reduce the potable water demand for flushing.

Requirements:

1. Install on-site wastewater treatment system and treat entire grey and black water from the project. Quality of treated water must meet the norms of Central/State Pollution Control Board (CPCB/SPCB) as applicable. **(2 points)**
2. Provide dual plumbing in all toilets for flushing in all doctor's non process faucet, and common area toilets as applicable. **(2 points)**
3. Use treated water for flushing such that –
at least 75% of total flushing water demand is fulfilled by the treated water. **(1 point)**
OR
at least 95% of total flushing water demand is fulfilled by the treated water. **(2 points)**

Note: Project can use localized common public STP where it is mandated by the local competent authority. 2 points shall be awarded to the project in that case. In this case, project can use the treated water from other resources. Points will be awarded accordingly.

Calculations and Methodology:

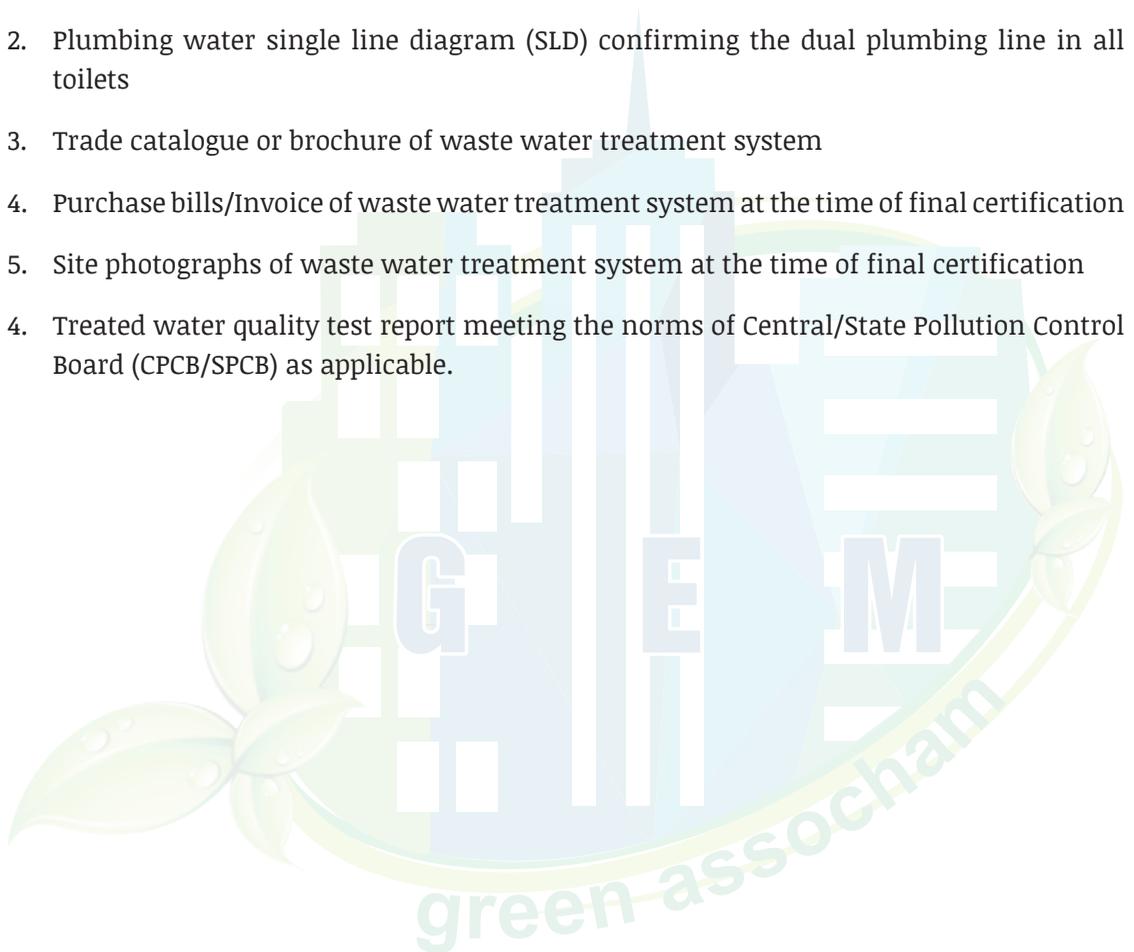
Install onsite grey and black water treatment system of capacity recommended by project's plumbing consultant in the plumbing design basis report (DBR). Provide dual plumbing in all toilets for flushing in all spaces inside the building and common area toilets as applicable.

Use treated/rain water for flushing such that at least 75% of flushing water demand can be fulfilled by the treated/rain water.

An additional point will be awarded if at least 95% of flushing water demand is fulfilled by the treated/rain water.

Documents to be submitted:

1. Plumbing Design Basis Report for on-site waste water treatment system capacity
2. Plumbing water single line diagram (SLD) confirming the dual plumbing line in all toilets
3. Trade catalogue or brochure of waste water treatment system
4. Purchase bills/Invoice of waste water treatment system at the time of final certification
5. Site photographs of waste water treatment system at the time of final certification
4. Treated water quality test report meeting the norms of Central/State Pollution Control Board (CPCB/SPCB) as applicable.



Principle 12 : Best Practices for Irrigation

3 points

Aim: Use irrigation best practices to reduce the landscape water demand.

Principle requirements:

1. Use treated water/rain water for landscape to reduce at least 50% of total landscape water demand. **(1 point)**
OR
If more than 75% of total landscape water demand shall be fulfilled by treated water/ rain water. **(2 points)**
2. Use water efficient irrigation systems such as: **(1 point for any three strategies)**
 - a. Sprinklers for lawn and turf areas
 - b. Drip irrigation system for plants and trees
 - c. Time base controller on irrigation system
 - d. Moisture sensor controller on irrigation system

Calculations and Methodology:

Use treated/rain water to meet at least 50% of landscape water demand. Baseline landscape water demand can be taken from the plumbing design report or estimated using 5.5 liters/ m² of landscape area as applicable. Use sprinklers, drip irrigation system, time based controllers and moisture sensor controllers on the irrigation system to further reduce the landscape water demand.

Documents to be submitted:

Provide the following for sprinklers, drip irrigation system, time based controllers and moisture sensor controllers:

1. Trade catalogue or brochure
2. Purchase bills/invoices
3. Site photographs
4. Plumbing water single line diagram (SLD) showing the use of treated water /rain water for irrigation

Principle 13 : Measurement of Energy and Water Consumption

6 points

Aim: Project should install meters to measure Energy and Water consumptions of the project on daily/monthly basis.

Requirements:

1. Provide following energy meters: **(2 points for four meters, 3 points for six meters)**
 - a. Each pathology and laboratory areas/energy exhaustive areas such as radiology, ICUs, X ray section with energy consuming medical equipments.
 - b. Interior common area lighting including stilt and basement parking
 - c. Interior common area air-conditioning (reception, lobby, admitted patient bed areas)
 - d. Exterior area lighting (landscape, surface parking, driveways)
 - e. Onsite renewable energy system, if applicable
 - f. Onsite waste water treatment system, if applicable
 - g. Kitchen area
 - h. Lifts and elevators
2. Provide water meters on following water end usages: **(2 points for three meters, 3 points for five meters)**
 - a. Drinking water
 - b. Flushing water
 - c. Irrigation water
 - d. Main municipal water
 - e. Bore well water
 - f. Solar hot water system
 - g. Cooling Tower

Calculations and Methodology:

Energy meters should be capable of monitoring kWh, kW and Power factor.

Water metering at each specific area is not required. It can be one meter per a specific end use.

Documents to be submitted:

1. Provide following metering single line diagrams (SLD) showing the above meters as applicable
 - a. Electrical metering
 - b. Plumbing
2. Provide following for energy and water meters:
 - a. Trade catalogue or brochure
 - b. Purchase bills/invoices
3. Site photographs confirming the installation of energy and water meters

Principle 14 : Post Occupancy – Non-hazardous and Hazardous Waste

6 points

Aim: Implement a strategy for post-occupancy waste collection, segregation, and disposal.

Requirements:

1. Provide separate waste bins for non-hazardous – biodegradable, non-hazardous - non biodegradable and hazardous waste at each source generation of waste, as applicable
Hazardous waste – **essential**
Bio-degradable and Non-hazardous waste – **2 points**
Non-bio-degradable and Non-hazardous waste – **2 points**
2. Provide a waste management plan, customized to the project, including segregation method (as required), locations of the collection points in the drawing, and disposal method, for all 3 types of wastes generated in the project. **(2 points)**

Calculations and Methodology:

Identify all the types of wastes generated inside the project.

Categorize the waste types into hazardous, 'biodegradable and nonhazardous', 'non-biodegradable and nonhazardous' waste.

Calculate quantities of each types of wastes, number of bins/dumpsters required for each types of wastes.

Identify the measures for segregation at source, locations of bins/dumpsters for each types of waste.

Identify the disposal methods of each types of waste. It is suggested to identify waste management company and have an agreement in place, as early as possible.

Plan the waste management strategy customized for the project, as early as possible (before occupancy).

Organic waste can be sent to waste convertor. Biodegradable waste such as food scrap, garden and lawn clippings should be converted into manure or bio-gas instead of being sent to landfills. Strategies include but are not limited to vermin-compost, organic waste convertor and bio-gas plant etc. Project team shall share the capacity sizing calculation for onsite biodegradable waste management system.

Separate bins must be provided for electronics waste such as lamps, batteries, and e-wastes.

The disposal method of healthcare process wastes such as gloves, masks, injections etc. must be as per industry standards and regulations.

(Note: Implement strategies for suitable disposal of the waste. Wastes must not be sent to the landfill.)

Documents to be submitted:

1. Complete site plan and all typical floor plans showing the locations of waste bins with waste types
2. Site photographs confirming the installation of waste bins at site, as detailed in the waste management plan.
3. Customized waste management plan.
4. PCB Clearance with the waste quantities mentioned in it.

If Onsite Waste Converter is installed:

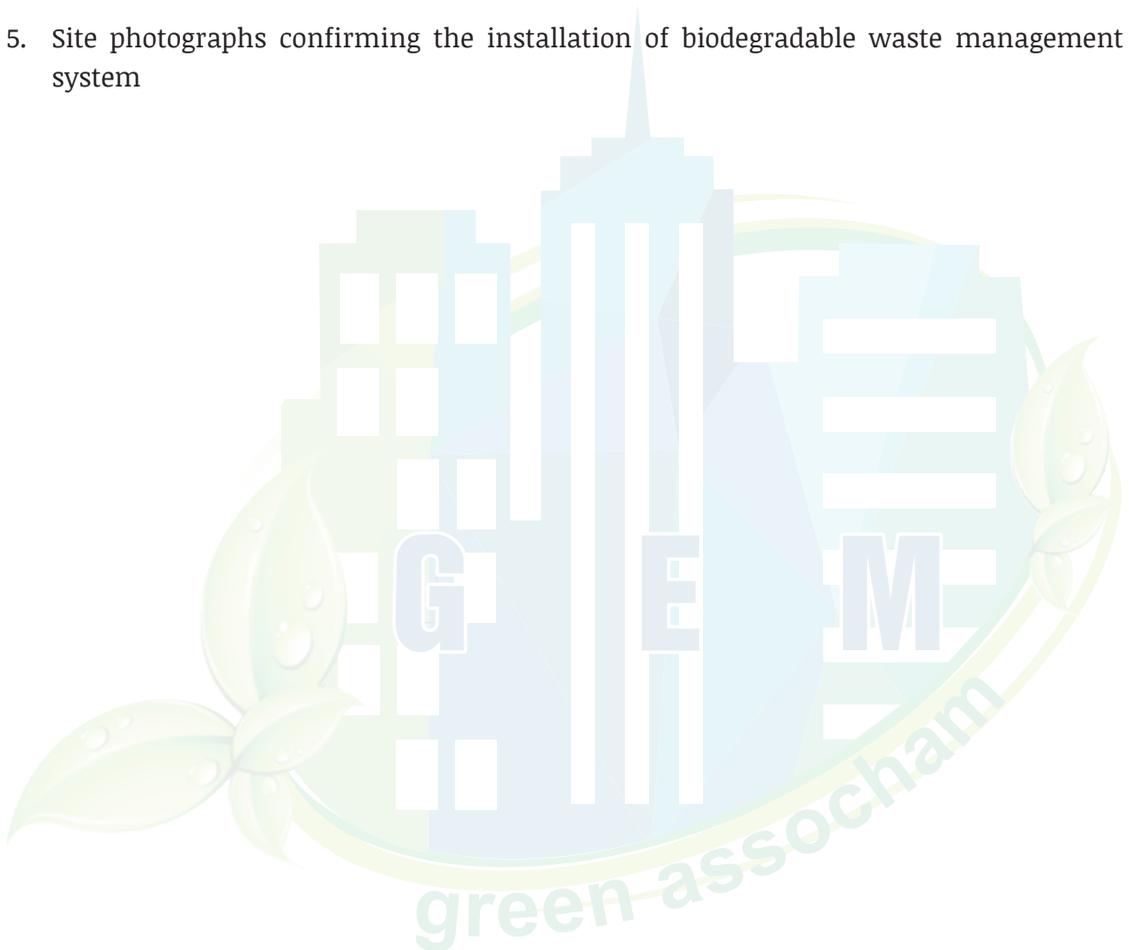
Capacity sizing calculation for onsite biodegradable waste management system.

Total solid waste generated by the project occupants can be estimated at the rate listed in NBC 2016:

Total number of occupants can be taken from the project's Mechanical/Electrical/Plumbing design basis reports (MEP DBRs) or as prescribed by project design team.

1. Site drawing showing the location of biodegradable waste management system

2. Technical description of biodegradable waste management system implemented onsite
3. Trade catalogue or brochure biodegradable waste management system
4. Purchase bills/invoices of biodegradable waste management system
5. Site photographs confirming the installation of biodegradable waste management system



Principle 15 : Food Inspection Plan and SDG-3

3 points

Aim: Implement a strategy for periodic inspection of food and catering service facility, such as canteens inside the project scope, to facilitate public awareness regarding food quality.

Requirements:

1. Provide 'Food Inspection Plan' before occupancy. The plan should at least contain, the frequency of inspection, the authority of inspection, food, and health policies applicable to the project and responsible authorities of the management team to execute the plan properly. HACCP Certificate is acceptable, as a part of this requirement.
2. Provide 'Food Inspection Tests and Reports', carried out by local health department or third party, whichever is applicable, within six months of occupancy. If the reports are non-compliant with required policies, corrective actions must be taken immediately to ensure adherence of the protocols.

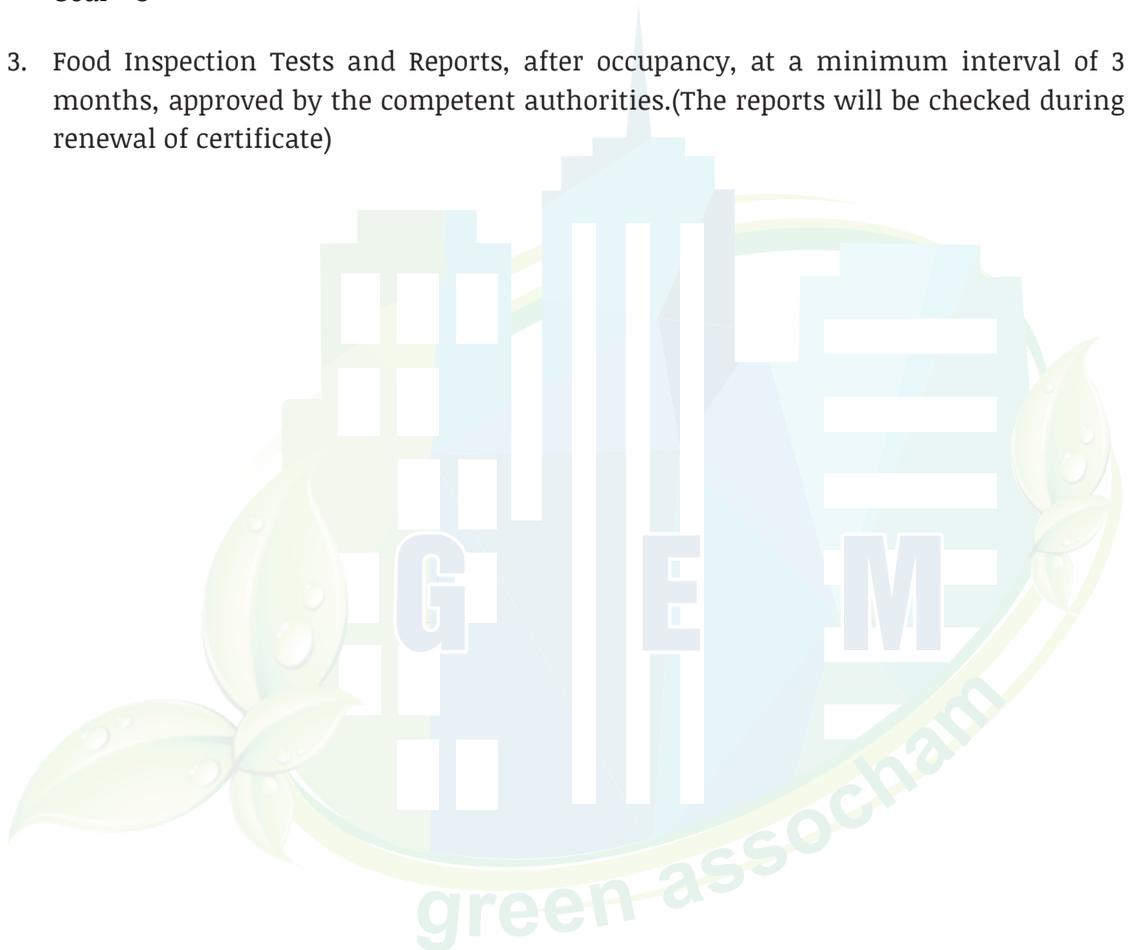
Calculations and Methodology:

The 'Food Inspection Plan' must be in place in the design phase of the project, keeping following things in mind.

1. Facilities inside the campus where food is prepared or delivered, including canteen, food court and food chain counters (KFC/Mc-Donalds etc.) that serve in-patient, outpatient and public.
2. Required Food inspection protocols already existing for the facilities.
3. Alignment of the plan with United Nation SDG -3 : Good Health and Well-Being.
4. Frequency of 'Food Inspection Tests and Reports'.

Documents to be submitted:

1. Food Inspection Plan and/or Valid HACCP Certificate, at the time of submission.
2. Narrative explaining how the plan caters to United Nation Sustainability Development Goal – 3
3. Food Inspection Tests and Reports, after occupancy, at a minimum interval of 3 months, approved by the competent authorities. (The reports will be checked during renewal of certificate)



Principle 16 : Best practices for Sanitization Odour and Tranquility

6 points

Aim: Encourage the developers to standardize best practice protocols to maintain cleanliness, odor control and tranquil atmosphere inside the boundary of the healthcare premise.

Requirements:

Provide following facilities within the project site -

1. Sanitization stations at each entry point into the healthcare premise and building. Dedicated sanitization systems should be available for special zones identified by the healthcare management. **(2 points)**
2. Odor less premise, which includes but is not limited to, food waste odor. **(2 points)**
3. Dedicated silence zones, throughout the healthcare premise, to enhance a healing and tranquil environment inside the healthcare premise. **(2 points)**

Calculations and Methodology:

1. Identify potential source zones of sanitization, odor, and tranquility requirements.
2. Highlight the zones in the floor plan, in the early stages of design.
3. Plan the best practices that can be used to enhance sanitization, decrease odor as much as possible, and dedicate places where both patients/non-patients can feel a sigh of relief.
4. The dedicated healing zones can be built effectively by proper bio-mimic design, color and texture schemes, relaxation music and pictures/wall graffities.
5. Restrict honking of vehicles, spitting etc. in the neighborhood of the healthcare unit.

Documents to be submitted:

1. Best Practices Management Plan for proper sanitization, odor control and tranquil enhancement.
2. Plans highlighting source zones and the strategies devised for the causes.



Principle 17 : Best Practices for United Nation SDG 3 and SDG 13

4 points

Aim: Encourage developers and designers to be innovative and think creatively about solutions that meet the United Nations Sustainability Development Goals, SDG -3 and SDG - 13.

Requirements:

1. Implementation of SDG – 3: Good Health and Well Being, measures applicable to the project, towards United Nations Sustainability Development Goals 2030. **(2 points)**
2. Implementation of SDG – 13: Climate Action measures applicable to the project, towards United Nations Sustainability Development Goals 2030. **(2 points)**

Calculations and Methodology:

1. Identification of the measures for SDG – 3 and SDG – 13, that can be applied, as a best practice, in the healthcare project.
2. Identifications of strategies, from the design phase, for early implementation.
3. Prepare a time travel documentation from design phase to show the consistent progress of the measures.

Documents to be submitted:

1. Narratives of the SDG -3 and SDG – 13 implementation measures, customized for the project.
2. Plans and Photographs demonstrating the implementation measures. (The photographs should be ordered in a time stamped document from early design till the implementation.)

Principle 18 : Reduced Exposure to VOC

3 points

Aim: Limiting VOC content in interior paints, adhesives, sealants, and coatings to protect indoor air quality and occupational health.

Requirements:

- Specify and use low-emitting or non-emitting products that will significantly reduce the strength of VOC exposure to indoors.
- Architectural paints and coatings must not exceed the following limits. **(1 point)**
South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) Rule 1113, Architectural Coatings, rules in effect on January 1, 2004.

Paints and Coatings	VOC limit gm/lit less water
Flat (Mat) paints	50
Non-flat (Glossy) paints	150
Varnish	350

- Adhesives and sealants must not exceed the following limits. **(1 point)**
South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) Rule #1168. VOC limits are listed in the table below and correspond to an effective date of July 1, 2005 and rule amendment date of January 7, 2005.

Adhesives	VOC limit gm/lit less water
Wood flooring	100
Carpet	50
Glazing	100
Wood	30
HVAC duct insulation	850
Tile	65

4. Anti-corrosive and anti rust paints must not exceed the following limits. **(1 point)**

Material Description	VOC limit gm/lit less water
Anti-corrosive/Anti-rust paints	250

Calculations and Methodology:

Paints, coatings, and adhesives are significant contributors to indoor air pollution. Many of these products contain volatile organic compounds (VOCs) that can have health effects. Exposure to VOCs can cause acute reactions, such as eye, nose, and throat irritation to chronic health problems such as asthma, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, and cancer. Higher concentrations of VOCs are typically found indoors because of reduced air ventilation and various other sources of VOCs.

This principle limits VOC for on-site wet-applied products to avoid environmental damage and protect the people who apply these products or are exposed to them during installation. This Principle covers architectural paints, coatings and adhesives that are applied on-site to indoor surfaces and finishes.

Increase ventilation when using products that emit VOCs, meet or exceed any label precautions and do not store opened containers of unused paints and similar materials to reduce exposure to VOCs.

Documents to be submitted:

1. Area of application of each low-emitting and non-emitting product used
2. Trade catalogue/brochure/test certificate/Material Safety Data Sheets of each such product used
3. Copy of purchase bills/invoices of each such product used

Principle 19 : Best practices for acoustic and vibration

1 point

Aim: Reduction of the potential sources of noise creation and vibrations, to enhance subtle atmosphere of the healthcare.

Requirements:

- 1) Implementation of 'Indian Health Facility Guidelines' or any other local bye laws', whichever is stringent, to reduce both vibrational and reverberating noise, through both design and construction.

Calculations and Methodology:

- 1) Identify, at a minimum, the mandatory protocols for reducing the noise and enhance acoustic quality in the healthcare campus.
- 2) Identify, above the mandatory requirement, all other potential sources of noise (people, traffic, machine etc.) in and around the healthcare facility.
- 3) Implement strategies to provide a subtle atmosphere, not because it is a guideline requirement, but as a part of social responsibility as well.

Documents to be submitted:

- 1) Design Review Report that highlights the required parameters which are considered in the building design.
- 2) Construction materials, sections etc. to highlight the implementation of acoustic concerns.

Principle 20 : Sustainable Development of Construction Engineering

12 points

Aim: Utilization of alternatives of basic materials being used in construction industry to conserve the precious natural resources and prevent valuable recyclable materials going to landfills as waste.

Requirements:

1. Use façade glass, door, and window glass with recycled content of more than 15% **(2 points)**
2. Use Portland Pozzolana Cement (PPC) cement for masonry and plaster work.
 - a. 50% of masonry and plaster work – **1 point**
 - b. 75% of masonry and plaster work – **2 points**
3. Use fly ash bricks or AAC blocks or similar products for brick work.
 - a. 40% of brick work – **1 point**
 - b. 80% of brick work – **2 points**
4. Use fly ash in concrete mix/ready mix concrete **(2 points)**
5. Use TMT steel bars with recycled content of more than 25% **(2 points)**
6. Use at least 50% of tiles with recycled content of more than 25% **(2 points)**

Calculations and Methodology:

Recycling is very important for sustainable development of construction industry as it reduces the demand for virgin materials and diverts valuable wastes going to landfills.

TMT steel bars, concrete, bricks, cement, glass and tiles constitute a major portion of building construction materials bill of quantity (civil BOQ). Hence, attempt to use those

materials with recycled contents as far as possible, avoid use of virgin materials and prevent useful materials going to landfills.

PPC cement has Pozzolanic materials such as fly ash, volcanic ash. Fly ash bricks, AAC blocks and similar products constitute at least 35% of fly ash. Do not use conventional red clay bricks.

New Thermo Mechanically Treated (TMT) steel is mostly made up of a combination of pre-consumer waste steel, post-consumer waste steel and virgin steel. Similarly, tiles and glass are also made up of pre-consumer waste steel, post-consumer waste and virgin materials.

All calculations for this Principle will be done on the basis of quantities (either weight, volume, counts etc as applicable) of the materials used in the project, not on the costs.

Documents to be submitted:

1. Building construction materials BOQ with total quantities of above materials (glass, steel, cement, bricks, concrete/RMC, tiles)
2. Owner declaration confirming the total quantities of above materials (glass, steel, cement, bricks, concrete/RMC, tiles)
3. Trade catalogue/brochure/manufacture letter confirming the recycled content percentage in the product as applicable.
4. Copy of purchase bills/invoices of respective building construction materials

Principle 21 : Local Sourcing of Construction Materials

6 points

Aim: Utilize locally available building construction materials manufacturers/suppliers for buying materials to reduce environmental pollution and transportation cost.

Requirements:

1. Use locally sourced (excavated and/or manufactured) sand, stones, aggregates, bricks, paver blocks and concrete as applicable. Source distance from project site should not be more than 250 km. **(2 points)**
2. Use locally sourced (excavated and/or manufactured) cement, glass, wood products and tiles as applicable. Source distance from project site should not be more than 550 km. **(2 points)**
3. Use locally sourced (excavated and/or manufactured) steel (all types) as applicable. Source distance from project site should not be more than 850 km. **(2 points)**

Note – Distance mentioned above is not the radial distance. It can be pedestrian, rail or road distance.

Calculations and Methodology:

Local sourcing is finding the closet available manufacturers and suppliers of building construction materials as applicable and using them. It is recommended to source as much of the construction materials as possible from the local region to reduce the environmental pollution and transportation cost.

Main benefit of local sourcing of materials is the reduced environmental impact due to shorter distance travelled by the materials.

Local sourcing is most effective with simple materials such as sand, stones, aggregates, bricks, cement, wood products, paver blocks and concrete as there are often several suppliers/manufacturers within a regional area. However, with more complicated materials, this strategy may not work as there may be very few suppliers/manufacturers of such materials.

All calculations will be done on the quantities and not on the costs.

Documents to be submitted:

1. Building construction materials BOQ with total quantities of above materials
2. Owner declaration confirming the total quantities of above materials
3. Manufacturer letter confirming the local sourcing of above materials
4. Copy of purchase bills/invoices of respective building construction materials



Principle 22 : Judicious use of Hard Wood & soft Wood

4 points

Aim: Do not use hardwood and softwood in the project to save trees and our mother earth.

Requirements:

1. Do not use hardwood and softwood in the project in door frames, doors, and furniture applications. (1 point)
2. Use engineered wood products such as Medium density fiberboard (MDF), Low density fiberboard (LDF) and Plywood for making door frames, doors, and furniture, as applicable (1 point)
3. Engineered wood products should be free from urea formaldehyde resin (1 point)
4. Use rapidly renewable materials in the project that constitute at least 10% of total cost of wood or wood products used in the project. The rapidly renewable materials include but not limited to linseed, straw, cotton, wheat, natural rubber, bamboo, and cork. (1 point)

Calculations and Methodology:

Particleboard, low density fiberboard (LDF) and chipboard are manufactured from wood chips, sawmill shavings or sawdust and a resin or binder.

Medium density fiberboard (MDF) is made by breaking down hardwood and softwood residuals into wood fibers, combing it with resin or binder. Panels are formed by applying high temperature and pressure.

Use rapidly renewable materials instead of the products made from fossil-fuel derivatives. Rapidly renewable materials include linseed, straw, cotton, wheat, natural rubber, bamboo and cork. The products from rapidly renewable materials can be linoleum, straw bales, cotton batt insulation, wheatboard panels, bamboo cabinetry and cork flooring etc.

Documents to be submitted:

1. Building civil construction materials bill of quantity (BOQ) to ensure that the hardwood and softwood are not used anywhere in the project.
2. Products catalogue or brochure of engineered wood products used in the project
3. Copy of purchase bills/invoices of engineered wood products used in the project



Principle 23 : Energy Management Best Practices

12 points

Aim: Implement energy management best practices in the project to achieve energy savings.

Requirements:

1. Refer Energy Conservation Building Code (ECBC) 2017 for energy efficient design and construction of buildings. Facilities shall comply with the following –
 - a. Mandatory requirements (Sections 4.2, 5.2, 6.2 and 7.2), irrespective of the compliance path - **Essential**
 - b. Additionally, any one of the following compliance paths
 - i. PATH 1: Prescriptive method (Sections 4.3, 5.3, 5.4, 5.5 and 6.3)
- OR
- PATH 2: Whole building performance method (Section 9), all mandatory requirements (Sections 4.2, 5.2, 6.2 and 7.2) shall be met
2. PATH 1
- Facility that shows the compliance using Prescriptive method (Sections 4.3, 5.3, 5.4, 5.5 and 6.3) shall be awarded the points as per below. All mandatory requirements (Sections 4.2, 5.2, 6.2 and 7.2) shall be met. **(Mandatory + 12 points)**
- a. Section 4.3 **(2 points)**
 - b. Section 5.3 **(2 points)**
 - c. Section 5.4 **(2 points)**
 - d. Section 5.5 **(3 points)**
 - e. Section 6.3 **(3 points)**

OR

PATH 2

Facility that shows the compliance using Whole building performance method (Section 9) shall be awarded the points as per below:

- a. Energy Performance Index (EPI) ratio is equal to 1 (**mandatory**)
- b. Energy Performance Index (EPI) ratio is equal to 0.95 (**6 points**)
- c. Energy Performance Index (EPI) ratio is equal to 0.9 (**8 points**)
- d. Energy Performance Index (EPI) ratio is equal to 0.85 (**10 points**)
- e. Energy Performance Index (EPI) ratio is equal to 0.8 (**12 points**)

Note - Compliance with ECBC 2017 shall be ensured. Buildings in the states which have notified their own ECBC, shall comply with the State ECBC.

Energy simulation references for standard baseline design –

- i. Glazing - All exterior windows, doors and façade glazing of conditioned spaces Shading Coefficient (SC) value = 0.35
- ii. Roof assembly - Overall heat transfer coefficient value of exposed roof assembly = 0.8 W/m²K
- iii. Wall assembly - Overall heat transfer coefficient value of exposed wall assembly = 1.5 W/m²K
- iv. Lighting power density (LPD) (W/m²)
 - a. Building exterior and Parking spaces (covered or open): 2.2
 - b. Interior common spaces: 6.5
- v. HVAC equipment
 - a. All unitary and split AC systems – BEE 3 star rated
 - b. All other HVAC equipment types – refer ECBC 2017

Calculations and Methodology:

1. Energy Performance Index (EPI) = Annual energy consumption (kWh)/Total built up area of the facility

2. Energy Performance Index (EPI) ratio = EPI of Proposed Building/EPI of Standard Building (Source ECBC)
3. Proposed building will be modeled as per “as is” actual building design and standard baseline building will be modeled as per ECBC 2017
4. In case of multiple buildings in a project, each building should meet the requirements mentioned above.
5. Energy generated by on-site and/or off-site renewable energy resources can be deducted from the Proposed “as is” design model to get energy savings over standard baseline design model.
6. Energy saving due to solar hot water system cannot be considered for the energy savings under this Principle.

Documents to be submitted:

1. All architectural floor plans, elevations, sections
2. Building site plan with exterior developments such as parking, driveways, and landscape
3. Mechanical, Electrical and Plumbing design basis reports with all process and non-process load details
4. Interior and exterior lighting floor plans with lighting fixtures make and models
5. Lighting power density calculations for proposed “as is” design as well as standard design
6. HVAC floor plans with HVAC equipment details (as applicable)
7. Trade catalogue/ brochure of lighting fixtures, HVAC equipment, pumps and motors, renewable energy systems installed in the project
8. Copy of purchase bills/invoices of lighting fixtures, HVAC equipment, pumps and motors, renewable energy systems installed in the project
9. Energy simulation output reports

Principle 24 : Smoke and Respiratory Particle Free Environment

5 points

Aim: To create a smoke, dust, and other respiratory particle free environment inside the healthcare premises.

Requirements:

1. Make the healthcare premise as 'No Smoking and No Tobacco Zone' **(1 point)**
2. Do not permit any vehicle, inside the healthcare premise, without valid PUC certificate. **(1 point)**
3. Only pick and drop vehicle point at the entrance of the healthcare. **(1 point)**
4. No public bus/auto/taxi stop within 10 meters of the healthcare premise. (Although it is preferable to have a stop nearby, it is suggested to keep it not very to the premises to avoid pollution and contamination.) **(1 point)**
5. 'Smoke and Respiratory particle free management Plan' in the design phase of the project, that ensures identification and solution of anticipatory sources. **(1 point)**

Calculations and Methodology:

1. Identify potential source of smoke, dust, and other respiratory particle, inside the healthcare premises. The identification depends on location of the project, nearby amenities, the area such as industrial zone or city town bus stand zone, traffic etc.
2. Draft a plan to contain such sources through proper design, construction, and operational procedures.

Documents to be submitted:

1. Smoke and Respiratory particle free Management Plan, with detail narration on the potential sources of smoke, dust, and respiratory particle generation inside the healthcare premise.
2. Preventive maintenance plan containing design decisions, construction implementations, source reduction, and operational procedures of control.

Principle 25 : Water Quality, Mold, Moisture, Bacteria Prevention Plan

8 points

Aim: Make a preventive action plan to contain mold, moisture, bacteria and ensure quality drinking water inside the healthcare premise.

Requirements:

1. Drinking water supply tank of the healthcare must be inspected by quality check inspector in regular basis – minimum once in three months **(2 points)**
2. Mold Inspection report in regular basis – minimum once in three months **(2 points)**
3. Moisture inspection report in regular basis – minimum once in three months **(2 points)**
4. Bacteria inspection report in regular basis – minimum once in three months **(2 points)**

(The reports will be checked during renewal of certificate)

Calculations and Methodology:

- 1) Identify the methods of preventing water quality contamination, mold, moisture and bacterial growth in the healthcare campus.
- 2) Special care must be taken in sensitive wards and in patient care rooms.
- 3) Identify the companies or contractors or in house team, to be hold responsible for conducting online inspection.
- 4) In-house team can visually inspect, to schedule a cleanup.
- 5) Independent of the responsible person/agent, the reports have to be created and approved, every three months, for the points being applied. Note: these reports will be a requirement when renewing the certification.

Documents to be submitted:

- 1) Agreement with the clean-up contractors, if any.
- 2) Narratives explain the methodology of prevention for each requirement.
- 3) Preventive Action Plan, approved by the project owner, mentioning all the applicable category and the procedure to carry the plan out, properly.

Principle 26 : Optimal Use of Natural Light

6 points

Aim: Optimal utilization of natural light to reduce the reliance on artificial lighting and saving lighting energy.

Requirements:

Ensure that the project meets ECBC 2017 Daylighting requirements as per Chapter 4 Building Envelope, Section 4.2.3 Daylighting. There are two approaches that can be followed to meet the Principal compliance:

1. Simulation approach:

- I. Ensure through computer simulation that at least 40% area of any occupied space comply with the daylighting requirements listed in ECBC 2017, Chapter 4, Section 4.2.3.1 (**essential**)
- II. Ensure through computer simulation that at least 60% area of any occupied space comply with the daylighting requirements listed in ECBC 2017, Chapter 4, Section 4.2.3.1 (**2 points**)
- III. Ensure through computer simulation that at least 80% area of any occupied space comply with the daylighting requirements listed in ECBC 2017, Chapter 4, Section 4.2.3.1 (**4 points**)

OR

2. Manual approach:

- I. Ensure that at least 40% area of any occupied space comply with the daylighting requirements listed in ECBC 2017, Chapter 4, Section 4.2.3.2 (**essential**)
- II. Ensure that at least 60% area of any occupied space comply with the daylighting requirements listed in ECBC 2017, Chapter 4, Section 4.2.3.2 (**2 points**)
- III. Ensure that at least 80% area of any occupied space comply with the daylighting requirements listed in ECBC 2017, Chapter 4, Section 4.2.3.2 (**4 points**)

AND

3. Daylight/occupancy sensors/Timers on exterior lighting:

Doctor's chambers, nursing stations, laboratories, ICUs, common areas such as corridors, lift lobbies, reception, canteen, parking, and exterior lighting etc. as applicable and integrate it with the artificial lighting. (2 points)

Calculations and Methodology:

For the purpose of daylight design, only sky illumination shall be considered as contributing to illumination of the building interiors. Direct solar illuminance shall not be considered. Openings shall be provided with overhangs, shades, balcony, louvre system or other shading devices to reduce direct sunlight entering the room as far as possible.

Overhangs, shades, balcony, louvre system etc., reduce the effective height of opening. Wide and low height openings are easier to shade against sunlight entry. Direct sunlight increases the inside illuminance.

Window design should be done very carefully as good window design can be the significant way of saving lighting energy by reducing the dependency on artificial lighting. Window orientation, occupancy patterns, task, and position of windows with respect to surrounding buildings and other obstruction should be considered.

Space environment should be designed to avoid glare and it should be possible to adjust both natural and artificial light. Glare results from excessive contrast of illumination or from an excess of illumination in the field of view. Glare can be reduced by overhangs, shades, balcony, or louvre system. Internal screening can also be provided by louvres or blinds.

Suitably designed interior layout and/or re-orientation of glazing to avoid entry of direct solar radiation can be done to eliminate glare.

Glare can be reduced or eliminated by installation of windows in more than one wall to increase the background lux levels. Lower the sill height of windows to allow increased illumination to enter in the space which increases the adaptation level.

Diffusing glazing should be used properly within the normal field of view as it can cause direct incident solar beam to be scattered diffusely. It can cause uncomfortable high brightness.

Documents to be submitted:

1. All architectural floor plans, elevations, sections
2. Window door schedules with opening details
3. Daylight simulation output report and/or manual calculation to confirm the above requirements
4. Trade catalogue/brochure of glazing installed at site
5. Copy of purchase bills/invoices of glazing installed at site
6. Site photographs of building elevations, external windows, and doors



Principle 27 : Healthy Indoor Air Quality

6 points

Aim: Ensure minimum delivery and quality of outdoor fresh air supplied into the indoor spaces for ventilation.

Requirements:

Mechanical Ventilation System where centralized chilled water system is installed:

1. Ensure that all occupied spaces in the building comply with the minimum requirements set out in ASHRAE 62.1:2010 using the ventilation rate procedure. If a local code is applicable and is more stringent, the same will be applicable. **(essential)**
2. Install outside fresh air filtering media with at least MERV 8 (Minimum Efficiency Reporting Value) or higher rating, in the fresh air unit supplying outside air to air handling units (AHUs) or fan coil units (FCUs). MERV 8 or equivalent filters can also be installed at the fresh air intake points of AHUs or FCUs as applicable. **(essential)**
3. Outdoor fresh air intakes as well as openings required for natural ventilation system shall be located such that the shortest distance from the intake to any outdoor contaminant source shall be equal to or greater than the separation distance mentioned in ASHRAE 62.1:2010 Table 5-1. **(essential)**
4. Ensure that all occupied spaces in the building comply with an increase in outdoor air ventilation of 20% above the outdoor air ventilation rates established in the above essential requirement. **(3 points)**
5. Install permanent carbon dioxide (CO₂) monitoring and alarm systems to always ensure the adequate supply of outside fresh air. CO₂ sensor can be installed at the return air duct/path. CO₂ level should not exceed 900 ppm. **(3 points)**

Natural Ventilation and when Mechanical Ventilation is not operational during occupied time, projects where split/window AC/VRF system is installed:

1. The openable area of operable wall openings must be at least 8% of the net occupiable floor area. For kitchen, this can be 4%. **(essential)**

2. Additional points:
 - a. If the openable area of operable wall openings shall be at least 9% of the net occupiable floor area. For kitchen, this shall be at least 4.5%. **(3 points)**
 - b. If the openable area of operable wall openings shall be at least 10% of the net occupiable floor area. For kitchen, this shall be at least 5%. **(6 points)**
3. The occupiable spaces must be permanently open to operable wall openings directly to the outdoors and within 28 feet of operable wall openings to the outdoors.
4. Where interior occupiable spaces without direct openings to the outdoors are ventilated through adjoining rooms, the opening between occupiable spaces shall be permanently unobstructed (operable wall openings such as sliding/openable doors/windows are not acceptable) and have an opening of at least 10% of the area of the interior occupiable space nor less than 21 ft².
5. The operable openings must be readily accessible to building occupants
6. Occupiable space does not include the spaces that are occupied upon occasion and for very limited periods of time such as toilet, inactive storage, stairs, electrical and mechanical rooms.
7. If openings are covered with louvers or other obstructions, the openable area shall be the net free unobstructed area through the opening.

Calculations and Methodology:

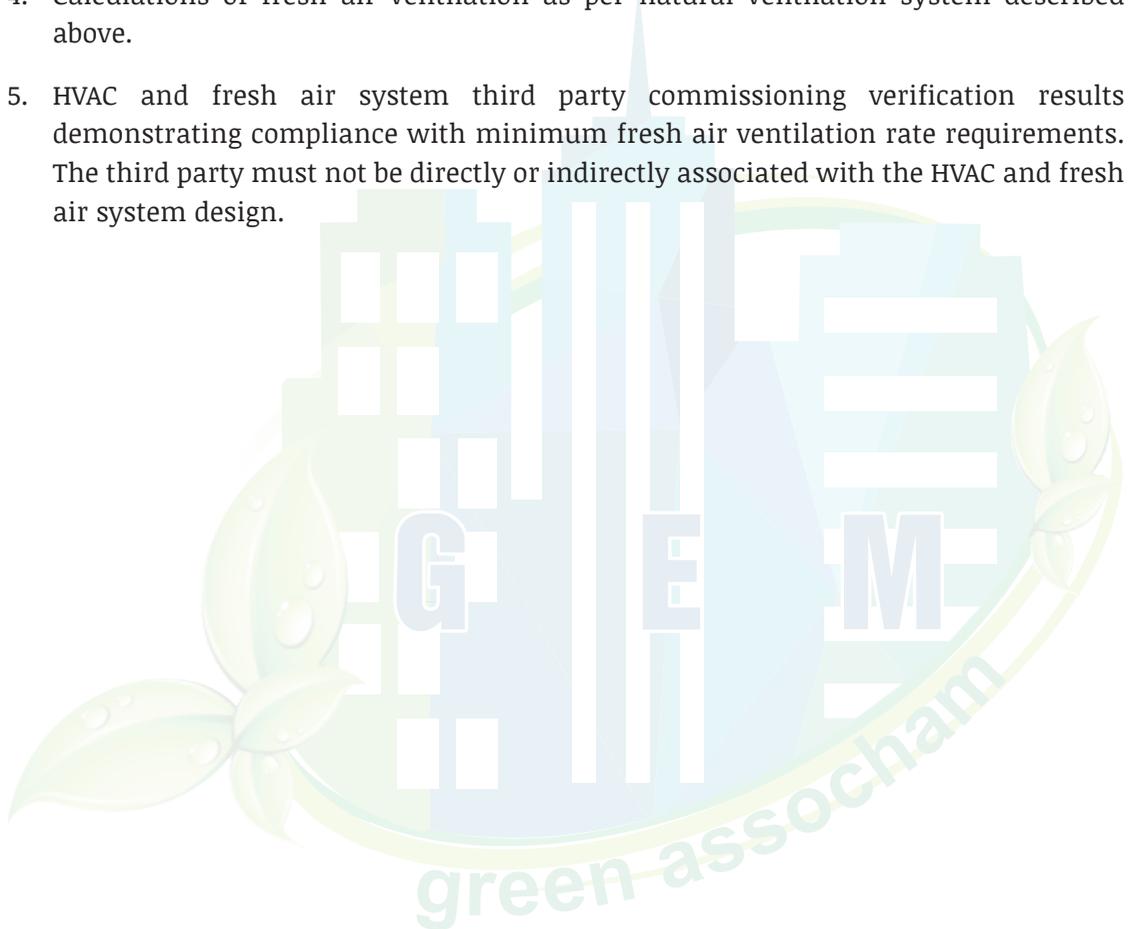
Ventilation rate procedure is described in ASHRAE 62.1:2010.

- a. If HVAC systems are installed by project owner - Project owner shall follow above Principle requirements.
- b. If HVAC systems are not installed by project owner – Provide copies of tenant agreements confirming that the systems proposed to be installed in the tenant spaces must comply with the above Principle requirements.

Documents to be submitted:

1. All HVAC and fresh air drawings to show the distances between air intakepoints and exhaust air points

2. Describe HVAC, fresh air and CO₂ monitoring and alarm systems design meeting the Principle requirements.
3. Calculations of fresh air ventilation rates based on the ventilation rate procedure for all mechanically ventilated occupied spaces.
4. Calculations of fresh air ventilation as per natural ventilation system described above.
5. HVAC and fresh air system third party commissioning verification results demonstrating compliance with minimum fresh air ventilation rate requirements. The third party must not be directly or indirectly associated with the HVAC and fresh air system design.



Principle 28 : Training and Capacity Building of Project Team

2 points

Aim: Encourage the project team and facility management team to create awareness about green rating program, energy and water efficiency measures implemented in the project on a continuous basis.

Requirements:

Design and implement a detailed training and capacity building program to encourage and aware the project team and facility management team regarding the green rating program, energy and water efficiency strategies implemented in the project on a continuous basis.

Training and capacity building program must be designed and conducted for following four phases of the project, at least once every three months.

1. Pre-design phase
2. Design phase
3. Construction phase
4. Post-occupancy phase

Video Conference calls with all the stake holders are acceptable. In that case, the meeting of minutes should contain a specific category for the Green Building with related topics and progress.

Calculations and Methodology:

Training and capacity building program must be conducted for the developers, architect, structure, mechanical, electrical, plumbing, landscape and BMS design teams, post-occupancy facility management teams involved in the project as applicable.

Documents to be submitted:

1. Detailed training and capacity building program along with training materials for all four phases of the project
2. Duly signed attendance sheet of all participants along with the name, contact number, email ID, roles and responsibilities and designation
3. Photographs of the training sessions conducted, with location, date and time stamp.

Principle 29 : Activities for Corporate Social Responsibility and SDGs

2 points

Aim: Encourage the organization to take social, cultural, and environmental responsibilities for positive environmental change and social welfare of the community.

Requirements:

Perform one or more of the following activities as per the applicability and suitability to the organization:

1. Eradicating hunger, poverty, and malnutrition, promoting preventive health care and sanitation and making available safe drinking water to the community. It should cover the minimum requirements of SDG - 1, SDG - 2 and SDG - 6.
2. Promoting education, including special education and employment enhancing vocation skills especially among children, women, elderly, and differently abled and livelihood enhancement projects. It should cover the minimum requirements of SDG - 4 and SDG - 8.
3. Promoting gender equality, empowering women, setting up homes and hostels for women and orphans; setting up old age homes, daycare centers and such other facilities for senior citizens and measures for reducing inequalities faced by socially and economically backward. It should cover the minimum requirements of SDG - 5, and SDG - 10.
4. Ensuring environmental sustainability, ecological balance, protection of flora and fauna, animal welfare, agro forestry, conservation of natural resources and maintaining quality of soil, air and water. It should cover the minimum requirements of SDG - 14, and SDG - 15.
5. Protection of national heritage, art and culture including restoration of buildings and sites of historical importance and works of art; setting up public libraries; promotion and development of traditional art and handicrafts

6. Measures for the benefit of armed forces veterans, war widows and their dependents
7. Training to promote rural sports, nationally recognized sports, Paralympics sports and Olympic sports
8. Contributions or funds provided to technology incubators located within academic institutions which are approved by the Central Government
9. Rural development projects
10. Slum area development
11. PM National Relief Fund/National Defence Fund/Chief Minister Relief Fund
12. Policies to cover applicable criteria out of
 - SDG – 9: Industry, Innovation, and Infrastructure,
 - SDG – 11: Sustainable Cities and Communities,
 - SDG – 12: Responsible Consumption and Production,
 - SDG – 16: Peace and Justice Strong Institutions,and
 - SDG – 17: Partnerships to achieve the Goal

Calculations and Methodology:

Corporate social responsibility can involve incurring short-term costs that do not provide an immediate financial benefit to the company, but instead promote positive social and environmental change.

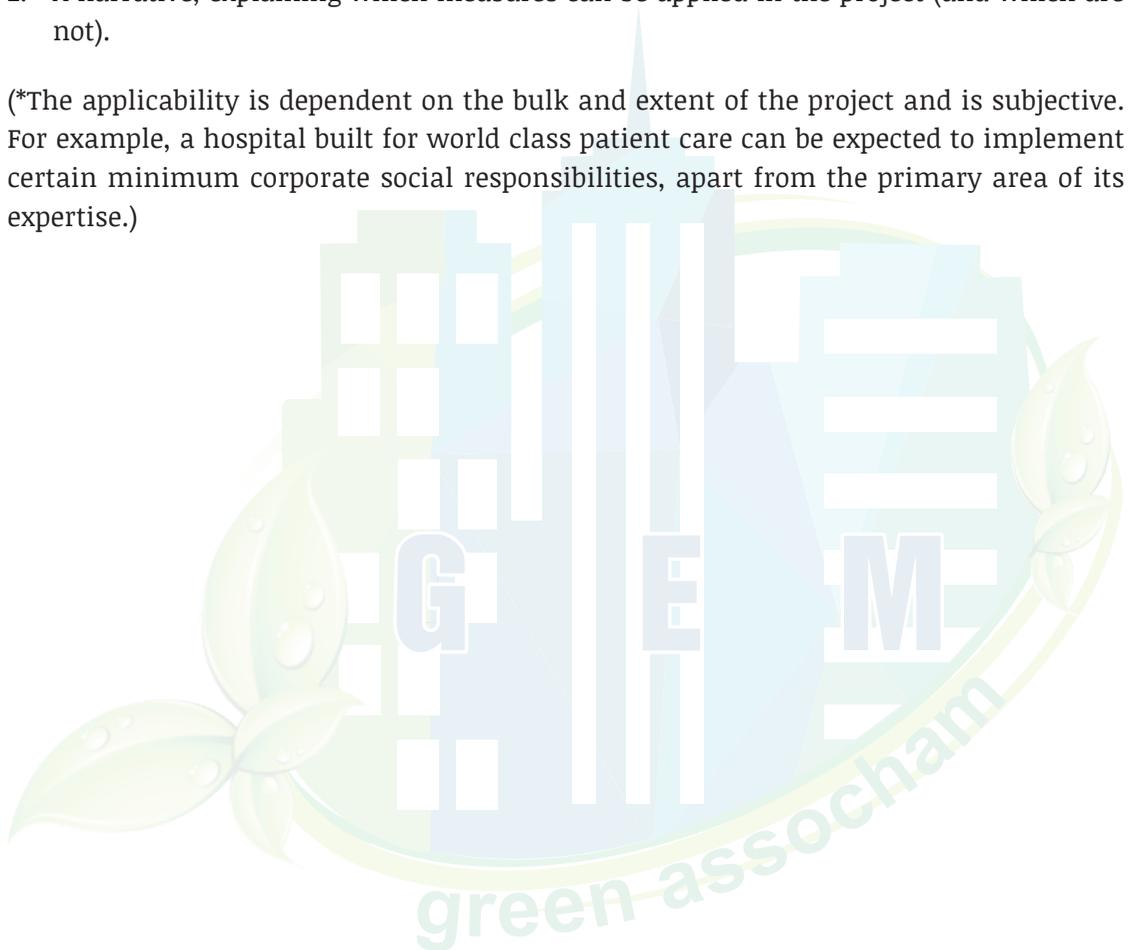
Contribute to the Prime Minister's National Relief Fund or any other fund set up by the Central/State Government for socio-economic development and relief and welfare of the Scheduled Castes, the Scheduled Tribes, other backward classes, minorities, and women.

Contribute to the United Nations Sustainability Development Goals 2030, for making the world a better living place.

Documents to be submitted:

1. Supporting evidential proof of implementation of the measures, applicable* to the project.
2. A narrative, explaining which measures can be applied in the project (and which are not).

(*The applicability is dependent on the bulk and extent of the project and is subjective. For example, a hospital built for world class patient care can be expected to implement certain minimum corporate social responsibilities, apart from the primary area of its expertise.)



Principle 30 : Going the Extra Miles

5 points

Aim: Encouragement for showing spectacular performance towards Eco-friendly and Sustainable development in the project and going the extra miles.

Requirements:

1. Going the Extra Miles (GEM) points 1 to 3 – **(3 points)**
2. AGEM Certified Professional (GEM CP) should be involved in the process. **(1 point)**

OR

Involve two or more GEM Certified Professionals in the sustainability certification process of the project **(2 points)**

Calculations and Methodology:

Recommended strategies (including but not limited to) for Going the Extra Miles (GEM) points –

1. Green wall/vertical garden/hydroponic gardens
2. Urban gardening
3. Electric charging points for electric vehicles within the site boundary (At least 3% of total parking capacity approved as per government norms)
4. Implement strategies onsite to save paper (post occupancy)
5. Implement strategies onsite to save water (during construction)
6. Project team can adopt public parks and wastelands and convert them into beautiful parks
7. Project team can participate in any of the Government's National Programs or Missions such as Build Toilets in Rural or needy areas, Adopt and maintain a street or village or colony for cleanliness

8. Install onsite imperishable energy systems to offset 50% of electric contract demand of the project. (non-process loads only)
9. Install offsite imperishable energy systems to offset 50% of electric contract demand of the project. (non-process loads only)
10. Install major energy and water meters on BMS for monitoring and necessary corrective actions
11. Install CFC free HVAC insulation materials in the project

Documents to be submitted:

1. Supporting evidential proof of implementation of Going the Extra Miles (GEM) strategies in the project
2. Copy of GEM CP certificate of the concerned person(s) involved in the green certification process.



GEM Rating : Tentative Score Card for All Rating Levels

GEM Sustainability Certification Program Score card for GEM 1 to 5 Rating Levels						
Sl. No.	Principles	Description	Maximum Points	GEM 3	GEM 4	GEM 5
			135	65 - 84	85 - 104	> 105
1	Principle-1	Government Approved Plans	E	E	E	E
2	Principle-2	Fire and Life Safety in Sustainable Buildings	E	E	E	E
3	Principle-3	Construction Management Best Practices	E	E	E	E
4	Principle-4	Parking for Building Occupants	E	E	E	E
5	Principle-5	Propogating Passive Design Strategies	5	5	5	5
6	Principle-6	Best Practices for Landscape	4	3	3	3
7	Principle-7	Preserve and Plant Trees Onsite	2	2	2	2
8	Principle-8	High Albedo Materials - Roof and Non-roof	6	3	4	5
9	Principle-9	Rainwater Harvesting – Recharge and/ or Reuse	4	2	4	4
10	Principle-10	Install Low Flow Water Fixtures	8	6	6	7
11	Principle-11	On-site Treatment of Grey & Black Water & Reuse for Flushing	6	4	5	6
12	Principle-12	Best Practices for Irrigation	3	2	3	3
13	Principle-13	Measurement of Energy and Water Consumption	6	4	5	6
14	Principle-14	Post Occupancy – Non-hazardous and Hazardous	6	2	4	6
15	Principle-15	Food Inspection Plan and SDG - 3	3	3	3	3



16	Principle-16	Best Practices for Sanitisation, Odour and Tranquility	6	2	4	6
17	Principle-17	Best Practices for United Nation SDG - 3 and SDG - 13	4	2	4	4
18	Principle-18	Reduced Exposure to VOC	3	2	3	3
19	Principle-19	Best Practices for Acoustic and Vibration	1	1	1	1
20	Principle-20	Sustainable Development of Construction Engineering	12	10	10	12
21	Principle-21	Local Sourcing of Construction Materials	6	4	4	4
22	Principle-22	Judicious use of hard wood and soft wood	4	2	2	2
23	Principle-23	Energy Management Best Practices	12	6	8	10
24	Principle-24	Smoke and Respiratory Particle free environment	5	1	2	5
25	Principle-25	Water Quality, Mold, Moisture , Bacteria prevention plan	8	2	4	8
26	Principle-26	Optimal Use of Natural Light	6	2	4	4
27	Principle-27	Healthy Indoor Air Quality	6	3	3	6
28	Principle-28	Training and Capacity Building of Project Team	2	2	2	2
29	Principle-29	Activities for Corporate Social Responsibility and SDGs	2	2	2	2
30	Principle-30	Going the Extra Miles	5	3	4	5
		TOTAL POINTS	135	80	101	124

Glossary

1. **Albedo** = Albedo is a measure of how much radiation that hits a surface is reflected without being absorbed.
2. **Black water** = Waste water and sewage from toilets
3. **CFC** = Chlorofluorocarbons
4. **CPCB** = Central Pollution Control Board
5. **ECBC** – Energy Conservation Building Code
6. Erosion of soil is a process by which soil is loosened, worn away and transferred by wind or water.
7. **Grey water** = Waste water from baths, wash basins, kitchen sinks and other kitchen appliances and washing machines
8. **HCFC** = Hydrochlorofluorocarbons
9. **HVAC** = Heating Ventilation and Air Conditioning
10. **LPF** = Liters per Flush; **LPM** = Liters per Minute
11. **NBC** – National Building Code of India
12. **SLD** = Single Line Diagram
13. **SPCB** = State Pollution Control Board
14. **VOC** = Volatile Organic Compound



ABOUT ASSOCHAM

THE KNOWLEDGE ARCHITECT OF CORPORATE INDIA

EVOLUTION OF VALUE CREATOR

ASSOCHAM initiated its endeavour of value creation for Indian industry in 1920. Having in its fold more than 400 Chambers and Trade Associations, and serving more than 4,50,000 members from all over India. It has witnessed upswings as well as upheavals of Indian Economy, and contributed significantly by playing a catalytic role in shaping up the Trade, Commerce and Industrial environment of the country.

Today, ASSOCHAM has emerged as the fountainhead of Knowledge for Indian industry, which is all set to redefine the dynamics of growth and development in the technology driven cyber age of 'Knowledge Based Economy'.

ASSOCHAM is seen as a forceful, proactive, forward looking institution equipping itself to meet the aspirations of corporate India in the new world of business. ASSOCHAM is working towards creating a conducive environment of India business to compete globally.

ASSOCHAM derives its strength from its Promoter Chambers and other Industry/Regional Chambers/Associations spread all over the country.

VISION

Empower Indian enterprise by inculcating knowledge that will be the catalyst of growth in the barrierless technology driven global market and help them upscale, align and emerge as formidable player in respective business segments.

MISSION

As a representative organ of Corporate India, ASSOCHAM articulates the genuine, legitimate needs and interests of its members. Its mission is to impact the policy and legislative environment so as to foster balanced economic, industrial and social development. We believe education, IT, BT, Health, Corporate Social responsibility and environment to be the critical success factors.

MEMBERS – OUR STRENGTH

ASSOCHAM represents the interests of more than 4,50,000 direct and indirect members across the country. Through its heterogeneous membership, ASSOCHAM combines the entrepreneurial spirit and business acumen of owners with management skills and expertise of professionals to set itself apart as a Chamber with a difference.



Currently, ASSOCHAM has more than 100 National Councils covering the entire gamut of economic activities in India. It has been especially acknowledged as a significant voice of Indian industry in the field of Aerospace and Defence, Auto and Auto Ancillaries, Corporate Social Responsibility, Environment & Safety, HR & Labour Affairs, Corporate Governance, Information Technology, Luxury and Lifestyle, Biotechnology, Telecom, Banking & Finance, Company Law, Corporate Finance, Economic and International Affairs, Mergers & Acquisitions, Tourism, Civil Aviation, Infrastructure, Energy & Power, Education, Legal Reforms, Real Estate and Rural Development, Competency Building & Skill Development to mention a few.

INSIGHT INTO 'NEW BUSINESS MODELS'

ASSOCHAM has been a significant contributory factor in the emergence of new-age Indian Corporates, characterized by a new mindset and global ambition for dominating the international business. The Chamber has addressed itself to the key areas like India as Investment Destination, Achieving International Competitiveness, Promoting International Trade, Corporate Strategies for Enhancing Stakeholders Value, Government Policies in sustaining India's Development, Infrastructure Development for enhancing India's Competitiveness, Building Indian MNCs, Role of Financial Sector the Catalyst for India's Transformation.

ASSOCHAM derives its strengths from the following Promoter Chambers: Bombay Chamber of Commerce & Industry, Mumbai; Cochin Chambers of Commerce & Industry, Cochin; Indian Merchant's Chamber, Mumbai; The Madras Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Chennai; PHD Chamber of Commerce and Industry, New Delhi.

Together, we can make a significant difference to the burden that our nation carries and bring in a bright, new tomorrow for our nation.

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