

Curriculum Vitae

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8. **Education:**

Institutions:	Asia English School, Ahmedabad, India
	Bhavans Science College, Ahmedabad, India
	Architectural studies at School of Architecture at Center of Environmental Planning Technology (CEPT), Ahmedabad, India
	Computer Aided Design, Center of Environmental Planning Technology (CEPT), Ahmedabad, India
Dates (years):	Up to 1976
	1976 – 1978
	1978 – 1983
	1986
Degree(s) or Diploma(s):	Secondary School Certificate
	University Marks Sheet
	Architecture Diploma (<i>equivalent to University Degree</i>)
	Certificate course

9. Language Skills: (1 to 5 for competence; 5 = best)

Language	Reading	Spoken	Written	Understanding
English	5	5	5	5
Hindi	5	5	4	5
Gujarati	5	5	5	5
Marathi	2	2	2	3
French	1	1	-	1

10. Membership of Professional Bodies:

- Member, Council of Architecture, New Delhi
- Member, Gujarat Institute of Civil Engineers and Architects, Ahmedabad
- Member, Indian Institute of Architects, Ahmedabad Chapter, Ahmedabad
- Member, CEPT Alumni Association, Ahmedabad

11. Professional skills and experiences:

- Building designs of diverse projects in India and abroad (*educational facilities, industrial townships, urban design, houses, healthcare facilities, mass housing, administrative and office buildings, cultural and performing arts centers, resorts, convention center, re-habilitation and appropriate technology*)
- Co-ordination of international/national projects on behalf of clients, project formulation and design program evolution, co-ordination of information management, technical advice, technical training for client's man power, co-ordination with various service specialist, organizing seminars, presentation of technical papers and research material, designing and evolving concepts for projects, technical detailing of projects, tendering and tender evaluation
- Office management: including hiring and training of technical staff, negotiations with clients, accounts and financial management of office including raising bills, tax management, search for new projects/clients
- Documentation of projects, feasibility studies, project reports, feasibility reports with the medium of hand drawn sketches, computer graphics using DTP programs (*Word, Excel, PageMaker, Photoshop, Power Point Presentation, Computer Aided Design by AutoCAD – 14 and 2004*)

12. Present Position:

Managing Director of the firm: **KSA Design Planning Services P. Ltd.**, since the inception of the company, 1986

Director, Kensington Interiors, Dubai, since 2008.

13. Years within the company:

With the company since the company was founded, 22 years ago.

14. Key Qualifications:

By his accessibility to an internationally renowned NGO – ASAG (*Ahmedabad Study Action Group*), he got exposed to many development and diverse projects. As intern he worked in a development organisation – Utthan; wherein he worked on solar desalination, study of migration and settlement pattern in a cyclone and draught prone area of southwest Gujarat, India. As a part of his final semester design project, he took the subject as a live project of ASAG – a resettlement project of village Dhanora, Baroda, India. After completing the 9 mandatory semesters of study at School of Architecture, Mr. Shah worked in ASAG to pursue completion of the village resettlement project. He completed his thesis in 1989 and acquired a Diploma. He also worked on a number of projects rural development projects in ASAG from a period of June 1983 to March 1986. The assignments included detailed site survey and travelling in interior rural areas of Gujarat. He also assisted in developing audiovisual presentations, making reports and was part of the design team for the project's architectural requirements.

In April 1986, **Mr. Samir Shah** and **Mr. Kirtee Shah** started the firm – **KSA Design Planning Services P. Ltd. (KSADPS)** with the aims and objects of offering wide variety of services in the field of Architecture and Planning. His firm now has a joint venture consultancy with a German company – **BGS Ingenieurconsult International GmbH, Frankfurt**. Besides projects in various parts of the country, his firm has prestigious international projects such as **rehabilitation of a St. Xavier secondary school campus at Bachau, Kutch, India for GTZ, Frankfurt, Germany, CCDB, Dacca, Bangladesh and clients from KfW, Frankfurt, Germany; Millennium Park Holdings P. Ltd., Nairobi, Kenya**. His firm has won several national design competitions.

15. Selected projects:

Being the Managing Director of the firm KSA Design Planning Services P. Ltd., Mr. Shah has great opportunity to work on very diverse kinds of projects. He as a team leader of the project team had been involved in: project formulation, conceptual design, detailed design, working drawings, detailed service drawings such as electrification, plumbing, sanitation, details of finishes, costing, BOQ, tendering, bill checking, occasional site supervision, coordination with structural designer and service specialist etc.

Some of the key projects handled by Mr. Shah in his firm over the past 16 years (completed, under construction and on board) are as under:

Urban Design and Townships:

Project:	Kensville Golf Resort and Real Estate Development
Date (m/yr – m/yr) :	2002 – to date (Planned completion date end 2009)
Location:	Devdholera, Ahmedabad, India
Client:	Millennium Parks Holdings P. Ltd., Nairobi, Kenya
Estimated cost (Million Rs.):	500
Description:	Design of an 18 hole championship golf course, Ayurveda Healing Center, Convention Center, a 5 Star Hotel, 700 home sites with all amenities required for a self sufficient community.

Project:	National design competition for CGEWHO housing at Hyderabad and Ahmedabad
Date (m/yr – m/yr) :	1998 to 2001, 1997 – till date respectively
Location:	Miyapur, Hyderabad, India Suncity, Ahmedabad, India
Client:	Central Government Employees Welfare Housing Organisation, New Delhi
Estimated cost (Million Rs.):	180 and 150 respectively
Description:	National design competition of Housing requirements for government employees. Turn key tender required detailed designs prior to commencement. Project at Ahmedabad is hollow c.c. block load bearing masonry structure with Besser technology of USA.

Project:	Industrial Township Estate Development for GSCL and SCL
Date (m/yr – m/yr) :	1986 – 1994 and 1986 to 1992 respectively
Location:	Siddhigram, Veraval, Gujarat, India Porbander, Gujarat, India
Client:	Gujarat Siddhi Cements Ltd, (Joint Venture of Govt, of Gujarat and Mehta International, Uganda, Africa) Saurashtra Cements Ltd., (Subsidiary of Mehta International Ltd., Uganda, Africa)
Estimated cost (Million Rs.):	60 and 24 respectively
Description:	The sites being very remote from towns and the employees are used to high level of urban comforts, therefore it was required to have all the modern amenities. 300 workers houses, 60 technical staff houses and 24 executive houses were planned along with school, club, health care, cultural center etc were designed for each of the project.

Project:	National design competition for Housing for IRWO
Date:	2001 - 2002
Location:	Miyapur, Hyderabad, India
Client:	Indian Railway Employees Welfare Organisation, New Delhi
Estimated cost (Million Rs.):	43
Description:	Housing of 3 types were designed. The scope included regular supervision

Educational /Research Facilities:

Project:	Patkai Christian College, St. Augustine's Christian College and Campus for VGKK
Date:	1987 – 1992 and 1988 - 1991
Location:	Dimapur, Nagaland, India and Manoharpur, Jharkhand, India and B.R. Hills, Karnataka, India

Client:	EZE, Bonn, Germany (funding agency),
Estimated cost (Million Rs.):	55 , 27 and 30 respectively
Description:	Design of a tribal campus for 5000 boys and girls on a 500-hectare site. Project included science and arts college, laboratories, workshops, housing and hostels. Science college campus, Vocational training center. Training of unskilled construction workers. Tribal health center, school and accommodation for students and staff. Appropriate and sustainable construction practices were adopted.

Project:	International Convention and Training Centre
Date:	2001 – 2005
Location:	Dacca, Bangladesh
Client:	EED, Bonn, Germany (funding agency),
Estimated cost (Million Rs.):	72.5
Description:	Design of a tribal campus for 120 trainees and convention for 300 participants. Project included star hotel, resort, guesthouses, bachelors' hostel and staff housing.

Project:	I I T Madras – Research Park
Date:	2007 – on going
Location:	IIT-Madras, Chennai
Client:	Indian Institute of Technology Madras
Estimated cost (Million Rs.):	3000
Description:	Design of high rise Research Park as a bridge between talent pool of IIT and Industry. The project is based on sustainable concepts. The research park also has hotel facilities with 300 rooms (Ginger Hotel). It is a fast track project to be completed in 24 months time.

Project:	Institute of Management, University Bhavan, Hostels and Sports/Recreation Complex
Date:	2003 – on going
Location:	Kherwa, Mehsana
Client:	Ganpat University, Gujarat
Estimated cost (Million Rs.):	120
Description:	Design of Post Graduate school of Business Management and Sports Complex. These are institutional buildings besides design of Hostel for 2500 students (already completed). The project is based on sustainable concepts.

Some of the other educational facilities designed include several schools, performing arts theatre, adults' education center, engineering college, and hostels for student, Novitiates and Science/arts College.

Health Facilities:

Project:	Shailby Institute of Joint Replacement and Hospital
Date:	2005– on going
Location:	Ahmedabad, India
Client:	Dr. Vikram Shah, Ahmedabad
Estimated cost (Million Rs.):	120
Description:	Design of a 120 bed hospital will 12 operation theaters out of which 4 are class 100 clean air; all the other amenities required for a multi-specialty hospital are designed.

The promoter specializes in Knee Replacement and has done highest amount of knee replacement in the world. The hospital would undertake advanced training for fresh postgraduate doctors for performing such operations.

Project:	Life Care Multi-specialty Hospital
Date:	2008- on going
Location:	Ahmedabad, India
Client:	Life Care Hospital, Ahmedabad
Estimated cost (Million Rs.):	130
Description:	Design of a 160 bed hospital will 8 operation theaters out of which 2 are class 100 clean air; all the other amenities required for a multi-specialty hospital are designed.

Marketable Administrative and Business Centers:

These projects are many times of private real estate developers who operate with market forces. The scope generally includes conceptualizing design based on client's design brief and market trends, proposing design alternatives with cost benefit ratios and floor space index. The scope also includes besides design, working drawings etc. presentation and marketing tools, brochures and 3D walk thru. Works of this nature have been designed and executed in Ahmedabad, Chennai, Hyderabad, Delhi, Baroda, Surat, Bhuj, Rajkot, Mumbai and Bangalore.

Project:	Landmark Showrooms for TVS-Suzuki Ltd.
Date:	1999 - 2001
Location:	Ahmedabad, Surat, Baroda, Rajkot, Bhuj, Amreli, Nadiad, Vapi in Gujarat Bombay, Nagpur, Pune, Sholapur in Maharashtra
Client:	TVS Suzuki Limited, Hosur, Karnataka, India
Estimated cost (Million Rs.):	Each in range of Rs 5.0 million, Bombay showroom Rs.12.5 million
Description:	The brief was to design landmark buildings with corporate image standards with interiors and furniture. Regular site supervision was included in the scope.

Marketable Group Housing:

In India this forms the bulk of architectural projects, the clients are private real estate developers. The scope generally includes: market research for the cost and size of housing requirement for each of the projects, based on this finding proposals are made for the clients including presentation tools/material for marketing such as 3D views, walk thru, scaled models and brochures. All the rest of the normal professional services are provided.

Over past 16 years of architectural practice, bulk of the projects is in this category therefore details of each are not given here. The total approximate cost of the project completed so far is Rs. 450 million.

Project:	Ocean Towers
Date:	1999 -2002
Location:	Chennai, India
Client:	Arihant Foundations Limited
Estimated cost (Million Rs.):	
Description:	This 18-floors sea facing building has the distinction of being the tallest building in the 4 southern states of India till date.

Project:	Seashells
Date:	1993 - 1995
Location:	Vizag, Andhra Pradesh, India
Client:	U & M Builders P. Ltd., Chennai
Estimated cost (Million Rs.):	
Description:	The project was to be marketed to the NRI's in the USA. 8 storied sea facing towers with 70% having sea view were designed.

Disaster emergency response and Rehabilitation:

Project:	St. Xavier English School
Date:	2001 – 2002
Location:	Bhachau, Kutch, Gujarat, India
Client:	GTZ, Frankfurt, Germany
Estimated cost (Million Rs.):	24
Description:	The selection architects for the project was made after a search in Gujarat. The school is residential for normal as well as disabled children. The campus was designed with seismic and climatic conditions, all buildings are with courtyards.

Project:	Saraswatham Sanchalit High Schools
Date:	2001 – 2003
Location:	Kutch, Gujarat, India. 21 schools
Client:	Times Foundation, APF Foundation, America-India Foundation.
Estimated cost (Million Rs.):	45
Description:	12 schools have been retrofitted and 10 are reconstructed. All are with courtyards.

Project:	Reconstruction of Villages affected by earthquake
Date:	2001 – 2004
Location:	Gujarat, India
Client:	KfW, Frankfurt, Germany
Estimated cost (Million Rs.):	400
Description:	10,000 houses to be constructed by different NGO's. The scope included training of the technical team and providing the designs (if required). This project is with a joint venture with BGS Ingenieurconsult International GmbH, Frankfurt.

Project:	Reconstruction of Naniboru Village affected by earthquake
Date:	2001 - 2002
Location:	Nanibooru village, Gujarat, India
Client:	Shanti Volunteers Association, Tokyo, Japan.
Estimated cost (Million Rs.):	400
Description:	A unique participatory reconstruction approach by the way of designing each and every house as per the owner's requirement and by using his salvage material.

Project:	Multi purpose Cyclone Shelters
Date:	2003 - ongoing
Location:	Orissat, India
Client:	KfW, Frankfurt, Germany and Indian Red Cross Society
Estimated cost (Million Rs.):	400
Description:	Design and construction management of 30 cyclone shelters in northeastern coastal area of Orissa. The project involves in community participation process for the site selection as well as alternative usages. This project is of Architectural design, Structural design and construction monitoring. This project is with a joint venture with BGS Ingenieurconsult International GmbH, Frankfurt.

Project:	Reconstruction of Urban Houses affected by earthquake
Date:	2004 – 2005
Location:	Gujarat, India
Client:	Malteser, Germany
Estimated cost (Million Rs.):	50
Description:	500 urban poor houses to be constructed by BSC. The scope included training of the technical team, providing the designs and project monitoring.

Private Residences:

This category of projects has a very personalized approach having intense consultation with the clients' family. In addition to the regular architectural services assistance to procuring building material, furniture, fixtures, coordinating with interior designer and more frequent site supervision are provided. Over past 19 years Mr. Shah and his firm have designed 29 private residences with some including interior design services in different parts of the country.

16. Professional Experience Record:

Date (m/yr – m/yr) :	April 1986 – to date
Location:	Ahmedabad, India
Company:	KSA Design Planning Services P. Ltd.
Position:	Managing Director

Description:	<p>Following is the list of responsibilities undertaken by Mr. Shah:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Interaction with clients, follow-up; Job search - Project formulation and design program evolution - Conceptual design/s, final design/s - Supervising preparation of working drawings and details - Appointment of service consultants and coordination - Supervising construction quality and progress - Assigning work to the 33 technical personals in the office and field, monitoring the output of the staff - Recruiting and training new staff - Fee collection and management of finances - Supervising book-keeping and taxation - Drafting and executing contracts with clients, consultants, staff and joint venture firms (national and international) - Scrutinizing tenders and appointing contractors - Market survey for new products
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Date (m/yr – m/yr) :	April 1995 – to date
Location:	Ahmedabad, India
Company:	Sundervan Plantations P. Ltd.
Position:	Director
Description:	A private enterprise dedicated to develop sustainable agriculture practices with focus on planting timber-producing trees. Experimentations in earthworm culture and tissue culture growth propagation.

Date (m/yr – m/yr) :	June 1983 – March 1986
Location:	Ahmedabad, India
Company:	NGO - Ahmedabad Study Action Group (ASAG) , India
Position:	Architect and design team member
Description:	<p>Senior designer for the village rehabilitation project at Dhanora, Baroda. The job included community meetings, study of the morphology of existing village, neighborhood patterns, detailed design, working drawings, regular site visits and reporting.</p> <p>Team member of design team for Antyodaya families, Valod, Surat. The job included extensive village travel, community interaction and low cost construction innovation.</p>

17. Selected publications:

- **NANIBORU: a participatory rehabilitation experience:** A report on the process and resultant of the village reconstruction project executed in a unique way by peoples participation in design, construction and contribution. The report has a complete documentation of all houses reconstructed and retrofitted. (99 pages, 80 photos, 191 illus.)
- **KfW-HDFC, Newsletter (with H. Grages):** A monthly publication for the earthquake reconstruction project funded by kfW, German Government. Publication includes 2 pages and with contributions from all partner NGO's involved with illustration and photos. The informative newsletter covers details of innovation, progress of project and views.
- **Damage assessment for reconstruction of houses: Gujarat Riots: (with SEWA team),** June 2002: A report on the finding of the survey conducted during and after the Gujarat riots (39 pages, 7 photos, 22 illus.). The detailed survey was made with basis of this report.
- **Rehabilitation strategy from UNDP and KSADPS,;** May 2001: A proposal for the rehabilitation strategy, the process, concepts of approach and design and budget (45 pages, 16 photos, 36 illus.). The detailed survey was conducted in three villages affected by earthquake before making this report. This was proposed to TATA Relief Committee.
- **Earthquake disaster: a rehabilitation project:** April 2001: A report on the finding of the extensive survey conducted after the earthquake in Kutch, Gujarat. The focus of the report of educational facilities of NGOs' working in the field of education. (18 pages, 13 photos, 12 illus.).
- **Feasibility report of IT Park for Navbharat, Hyderabad:** August 1999. This report is for a corporate client having interest in developing a large plot of land in a Information Technology Park. It has in-depth information of the requirements of IT Park. (7 pages, 20 illus.)