

**GENERAL INFORMATION**

**Name** : **Mr. Pratyush Shankar**  
**Date of Birth** : **December 27, 1972**

**QUALIFICATIONS****Post Graduate Diploma in Environmental Planning**

School of Planning, CEPT, Ahmedabad, INDIA

**July 1995- March 1997**

**Bachelor of Architecture (B.Arch.)**

Department Of Architecture, Faculty of Eng. & Tech. M S University, Vadodara, INDIA

**June 1990- June 1995**

**WORK EXPERIENCE - SUMMARY**

<b>ORGANIZATION</b>	<b>POSITION</b>	<b>DURATION</b>
Universitat Bonn, Germany	Humboldt Research Fellow	April 2015- till date
Faculty of Architecture, CEPT University, Ahmedabad, India	Acting Dean	November 2013 - January 2015
Faculty of Architecture, CEPT University, Ahmedabad, India	Associate Professor	March 2008 - till date
Faculty of Architecture, CEPT University, Ahmedabad, India	Head of Architecture Program	September 2010 - Feb 2013
Faculty of Architecture, CEPT University, Ahmedabad, India	Post Graduate Coordinator at CEPT University	Feb 2013 - til date
Faculty of Architecture, CEPT University, Ahmedabad, India	Lecturer	April 2004 - Feb 2008
Faculty of Architecture, CEPT University, Ahmedabad, India	Visiting Faculty	1996 - 2004
Pratyush Shankar & Associates	Partner	1999 -till date
APIED, School of Architecture, India	Visiting Faculty	1999-2000
Environmental Planning Collaborative, Ahmedabad, India	Consultant	Feb- Dec, 1997

**PUBLICATION**

Authored Book titled "**Himalayan Cities: Settlement Pattern Public Places and Architecture**" containing 110 analytical drawings, 170 photographs and text. Published by Niyogi Publisher, New Delhi. 2014

Book Chapter **“Public Open Space in Kathmandu Valley, Nepal”** in Talking Spaces: An Anthology of Public Spaces. Edited by Siva Rijal. Published by Social Science Baha, Kathmandu (Forthcoming)

Article titled **“Patan Structure and Form”** published in **International Journal**. Contributions to Nepalese Studies Volume 36, Number 2, July 2009  
Nepal: Centre for Nepal and Asian Studies

**Monograph “Internet Society and Space in Indian Cities”** published by **Center for the Internet and Society**, Bangalore, 2012

Book Chapter in **“The Jaina Heritage”** by Editor **Julia A B Hegewald** by Heidelberg Series in South Asia and Comparative Studies. Publisher Samskriti, New Delhi

Paper titled **“Is their something like a Himalayan City”** published in the **International Journal of Asia Fellowship Foundation**, July, 2010, Bangkok. Thailand

Paper **“Framework for understanding change in Himalayan vernacular houses”** presented/ published in Journal of 3<sup>rd</sup> **International Seminar on Vernacular Settlements**, Surabaya, Indonesia, March 2006.

Paper **“Himalayan Cities”** presented/ published in Journal of 5<sup>rd</sup> **International Seminar on Vernacular Settlements**, Eastern Mediterranean University, North Cyprus, April 2012

Paper (co-authored) **“Service Oriented Architecture”** published at the National Seminar of Informatics conference proceeding, Hyderabad, September 2007

Article **“Monasteries of Likir”** published in Architecture Journal A + D, September 2006

Article **“Changes in Himalayan vernacular houses”**, published in Architecture Journal A + D, September 2006

Paper **“The Grey-zone of Modernity”** published in Architectural Magazine SPADE, Mumbai 2009. Publisher Spade School. Editors Aniket Bhagwat and Sameera Rathod

Article on Award winning design of ‘Strip Garden’ in Ahmedabad published in A+D, March-April, 2003

Article on project - **“Artist Studio”** - published in magazine **Inside Outside”** September 2003

## UNIVERSITY PUBLICATIONS

Research Publication – Related Study Program – Ujjain

Research Publication – Related Study Program – Rajpipla

Pedagogy – 50 years of Architectural Curriculum at SA

Campus History of CEPT University

Research Publication- Thesis Compilation

Faculty of Architecture Year Book 2011 (Vol 1, 2), 2012 (Vol 1,2), 2013 (Vol1)

## AWARDS & FELLOWSHIPS

Awarded Alexander Von Humboldt Fellowship, Germany in Experienced Researcher category in November 2014. Hosted at Universitat Bonn, Germany

Awarded **Ford-Asia Fellowship 2008-09** from Asia Fellowship Foundation, Bangkok for the study titled “Is there something like a Himalayan City”

Architect of the Year- Commendation Award for “Residence for three Artists”, by J K Cement, 2012

Awarded **CIS- RAW research fellowship by Center for the Internet and Society**, Bangalore, 2010-11

Awarded **Research Grant by AICTE** to carry out study -“**Information Cities in India- Transformation of its Public Places**” under the Research Promotion Scheme. Project duration from March 2006 till July 2007

Awarded the MODROBS Grant Award for Workshop by AICTE, New Delhi, 2012

**Commonwealth Association of Architects (CAA), London**, Travel Grant Award, 1994, to study ‘Settlements in High Himalayas’

‘**Special Mention**’ Award by A+D – Spectrum Foundation Architecture Award 2002 for design of Strip Garden in Ahmedabad

‘**Young Designer of the Year**’ 2000. A Competition by ‘**Indian Architect & Builder**’, Mumbai

**Graduate Aptitude Test (GATE) scholarship 1996-97**

## GUIDED RESEARCH

Narratives of identity : an approach towards creating the notion of place in an urbanizing hill town, case of Nabha; Shimla [Thesis] by Vanita Sharma

Architecture as a product of technique of construction – Shimla (Thesis) by Harsha Mistry

Sacred geography and spatial structure of Maheshwar. [Thesis] by Sinali Ratanlal

Imagery of non-visual space perception case study : IIMA [Thesis] / Choradiya, Nikunj

Ambaji : a study of temple town and its temporal aspects. [Thesis] / Panchal, Mitul

Understanding the morphology of LEH town. [Thesis] / Jadav, Rashmita

Cultural landscape of Udaipur : manifestation of meaning through architectural expressions. [Thesis] / Kanani, Anuja Jaydev

Settlement pattern and house form (case study of Modasa Dist. Sabarkanth, Gujarat) [Thesis] / Panchal, Sunilkumar

Study of colonial domestic architecture of M. S. University campus, Vadodara [Thesis] / Bhasker, Megha

Transformation of urban villages-case of Vastrapur village. [Thesis] / Contractor, Janki D.

Built tradition : dwellings of Mukhba. . [Thesis] / Mawani, Vrushti

Study of temple town and its public realm : Dakor. . [Thesis] / Parmar, Krushnakant

Understanding the architecture of Buddhist monastery at Likir, Ladakh. . [Thesis] / Memon, Anar

Sense of making a home : a study of villages in Bolpur of West Bengal. . [Thesis] / Dey, Pradipta Prabir

Influences of regional wada houseforms on the contemporary residential buildines : an inquiry into the works of architects in Nasik. . [Thesis] / Deshmukh, Yamini L.

Madrassa, an islamic learning institution : a study of expression of Madrasas built in Ahmedabad. [Thesis] / Limbachia, Dhaval V.

Study of contemporary earth architecture in India : utilization of earth as construction material in contemporary scenario. [Thesis] / Patel, Ipsit M.

Experiencing the city : probing the nature of the process for western Ahmedabad. . [Thesis] / Jain, Saurabh

Development strategies for heritage tourism : a case of Shekhawati region, Rajasthan. [Mini Project] / Singh, Arvind Pratap

Development strategies for heritage tourism : a case of Shekhawati region, Rajasthan. . [Thesis] / Singh, Arvind Pratap

City centre at Panchkula, Haryana. [Summer Case Study Reports] / Washikar, Shridhar K.

Cochin marine drive project. [Summer Case Study Reports] / Thomas, Merylene

## **FIELD RESEARCH AND DOCUMENTATION**

Guided Field Research to Moodabaidri, Karnataka in 2003. This resulted in a portfolio of 70 large drawing of the city complex. Archived at CEPT Library

Guided Field Research to Barkur, Karnataka in 2004. This resulted in a portfolio of 65 large drawing of the city complex. Archived at CEPT Library

Guided Field Research to Sravanbelgora, Karnataka in 2010. This resulted in a portfolio of 61 large drawing of the city complex. Archived at CEPT Library

Guided Field Research to Vadnagar, Gujarat in 2002. This resulted in a portfolio of 55 large drawing of the city complex. Archived at CEPT Library

Guided Field Research to Rajpipla, Gujarat in 2005. This resulted in a portfolio of 70 large drawing of the city complex. Archived at CEPT Library

Guided Field Research to Chamba, Himalayas in 2004. This resulted in a portfolio of 75 large drawing of the city complex. Archived at CEPT Library

Guided Field Research to Sarahan, Himalayas in 2005. This resulted in a portfolio of 55 large drawing of the city complex. Archived at CEPT Library

Guided Field Research to Kudol, Gujarat in 2011. This resulted in a portfolio of 55 large drawing of the city complex. Archived at CEPT Library

Guided Field Research to Almora, Himalayas in 2010. This resulted in a portfolio of 64 large drawing of the city complex. Archived at CEPT Library

Guided Field Research to Changu Narayan and Patan, Nepal Himalayas in 2013. This resulted in a portfolio of 58 large drawing of the city complex. Archived at CEPT Library

## TRAVELLING EXHIBITIONS

Traveling Exhibition of own 50 field hand drawings of Nepal Himalayas including Kathmandu, Patan, Dhulikhel, Mananag and Mustang.

### Exhibited at

CEPT University, Ahmedabad. INDIA, Feb 2010

Architecture College of Rajkot, March 2010 followed by a Presentation "Why do Architects Draw"

Architecture Department of MS University, Baroda. India, Feb 2011 followed by a Presentation "Why do Architects Draw"

Asia Fellowship Foundation, Bangkok, July 2010

Beganvoli Art Gallery, Udaipur, May 2010 followed by a public talk "*Mere Paas Maa hai* - We still have our Mother: A talk on Heritage conservation"

## COURSES TAUGHT

### Post Graduate Courses/ Lectures

#### **Cyberculture and the City**

Core course at P G Program, Faculty of Arts and Humanities, CEPT  
December 2011

#### **Urban Design Studio - II**

Core Studio course at Urban Design P G Program, School of Architecture, CEPT  
December 2002 till April 2003

#### **Humanizing Cities**

Seminar based course at Urban Design P G Program, School of Architecture, CEPT  
June 2003 till date

#### **Housing Technology**

Core course for P G Dip - Housing Planning Students at School of Planning, CEPT, A'bad **December 2001 to March 2002**

**December 2002 to April 2003**

A taught course, aimed at developing amongst the students, an understanding of the relationships between various issues that influence our choice, transfer and application of construction technology.

### **Traditional Indian Urban & Regional Planning Principles**

Guest Lectures for P G Dip - Planning Students at School of Planning, CEPT, A'bad

**September 2002, October 2001, October 2000**

The aim of the lecture was to make the students aware of the underlying principles of traditional planning based on religion, social structure and utilitarian necessities.

### **Settlements in Fragile Eco-systems of Himalayas**

Guest Lectures for P G Dip - Planning Students at School of Planning, CEPT, A'bad

**October 2001, October 2000**

The lecture gave an overview of the settlement and building design characteristics in hilly areas and gave an introduction to the environmental and other planning issues related with the same.

### **Area Lab II**

Core Studio course for P G - Town Planning Students, APIED, Vallabh Vidyanagar

## **Under Graduate Level Courses/ Lectures**

### **Urban History**

Core theory course for Undergraduate Students of School of Architecture, CEPT

**July 2004 till date**

### **Architecture History: Artisinal Traditions**

Core theory course for Undergraduate Students of School of Architecture, CEPT

**December 2012**

### **Professional Practice**

Seminar based course at School of Architecture, CEPT

**June 2003 till date**

### **Studio IX**

Core theory course for Undergraduate Students of School of Architecture, CEPT

**December 2012**

### **Studio VIII**

Core theory course for Undergraduate Students of School of Architecture, CEPT

**July 2012**

### **Design Studio III**

Core Studio course for Undergraduate Students of School of Architecture, CEPT

**July 2004 till date**

### **Specification and Contracts**

Seminar based course at School of Architecture, CEPT

**June 2003 till June 2012**

### **Drawing & Painting I & II**

Core course for Undergraduate Students of School of Architecture, CEPT

**July 1996 till April 2000**

### **Design Studio I**

Core Studio course for Undergraduate Students of School of Architecture, CEPT  
June 2003 till date

### **Design Studio I**

Core Studio course for Undergraduate Students of School of Architecture, CEPT  
July 2002 till November 2002

### **Design Studio II**

Core Studio course for Undergraduate Students of School of Architecture, CEPT  
December 2000 - April 2001

### **Design Studio IV**

Core Studio course for Undergraduate Students of School of Architecture, CEPT  
December 2003 - April 2004

### **History of Indian Architecture**

Taught course for undergraduate architecture students, APIED, Vallabh Vidyanagar  
July 1999 - December 1999

### **History of Western Architecture**

Taught course for undergraduate architecture students, APIED, Vallabh Vidyanagar  
December 1999 - March 2000

### **Basic Design - III & II**

Studio course for undergraduate Architecture students, APIED, Vallabh Vidyanagar  
July 1999 - December 1999  
December 1999 - March 2000

### **Introduction to Urban Renewal & Environment Improvement**

Guest Lecture at APIED, Vallabh Vidyanagar  
October 2000

### **Architecture in Fragile Eco-systems of Himalayas**

Guest Lecture at APIED, Vallabh Vidyanagar  
October 2000

The lecture gave an overview of the settlement and building design characteristics in hilly areas and gave an introduction to the environmental and other planning issues related with the same

### **Role of computers for Architects and Planners**

Guest Lectures at MCA Teachers Refreshers program. Dept. of Computer Science. S P University  
Vallabh Vidyanagar, December 2001

The lecture was addressed to teachers imparting computer application knowledge to post graduate students.

## **COMMITTEE MEMBER**

Secretary and Board Member ISVS (International Seminar on Vernacular Settlements)

Member of the Executive Committee, CEPT University

Member of the University Academic Committee, CEPT University

Member of the Board of Studies, Faculty of Architecture, CEPT University



Editor and Member of the Editorial Board for ISVS e Journal.  
[www.isvsjournal.org](http://www.isvsjournal.org)

## **SEMINAR and CONFERENCES**

Advisor for **the 6<sup>th</sup> ISVS (International Seminar on Vernacular Settlements)**, North Cyprus, April 2012

Advisor for **the 5<sup>th</sup> ISVS (International Seminar on Vernacular Settlements)**, Colombo, Srilanka, April 2010

Chair for **the 4<sup>th</sup> ISVS (International Seminar on Vernacular Settlements)**, Ahmedabad, india. March 2008

Resource Person and presenter in **International Conference of Blended Learning, August, 2010 at Christ University, Bangalore**

Presentation and Talk in **“Cyber-culture and Space” at Cultre Mondeiu, Taipei, Taiwan January 2010**

Resource Person and presenter for the **workshop “Maps for Change” at NID, Ahmedabad, March 2010**

Presented the study **“is their something like a Himalayan City” at the 5<sup>th</sup> ISVS (International Seminar for Vernacular Settlements), Colombo, Sri Lanka, July 2010**

Same study presented in the **10<sup>th</sup> Annual Asia fellows conference, Bangkok, Thailand, July 2010**

Presented the study on Patan morphology at **UNESCO International training program for Disaster risk Management of Heritage property, Kathmandu, Nepal**

Presented Paper in the **International Seminar on Jain Art and Architecture**, at NIAS Bangalore organized b the Heidelberg University, Germany and National Institute of Advance Studies, Bangalore, February 2007

Attended and presented paper at **the 3<sup>rd</sup> ISVS (International Seminar on Vernacular Settlements)**, Surabaya, Indonesia, March 2006

Attended and presented paper at **the 5<sup>th</sup> ISVS (International Seminar on Vernacular Settlements)**, Colombo, SriLanka, March 2010

Attended and presented paper at the **6<sup>th</sup> ISVS (International Seminar on Vernacular Settlements)**, North Cyprus, April 2012

Organized International workshop in collaboration with CEE titled - **“Education for Sustainable Built Environment”**, as part of the “Education for Sustainable Futures” conference at CEE, Ahmedabad March, 2005

Resource Person – NATIONAL SEMINAR ON HOUSING, M S University.  
LECTURE – “Building Material & Technology at what cost and for whom?”  
October 2004.

Attended SHORT COURSE – “SUSTAINABLE CITIES”. Auroville, September 04’

Attended COA seminar on Architectural education, Feb 2006, Ahmedabad

<b>STUDY, RESEARCH &amp; CONSULTANCY</b>
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URBAN DESIGN/ PLANNING PROJECTS

**Rajasthan Hospital Road Redevelopment, Ahmedabad**

As Architect-Planner - CEPT  
ROLE : Team Leader

**Musi Riverfront Development Plan, Hyderabad**

As Architect-Planner - EPC  
ROLE : Assistant Team Leader

To project intended to facilitate the transformation of the Musi riverfront into a nature based, ethnic, historical and cultural corridor making it a dynamic and vibrant tourism and recreation center of the city.

**Sabarmati Riverfront Development Plan, Ahmedabad**

As Architect- Planner - EPC  
ROLE : Team Member

Sabarmati River Front Project envisaged comprehensive development of both banks of the Sabarmati River over a stretch of 9 km passing through the city of Ahmedabad

**Ahmedabad Walled City Revitalization Plan**

Architect-Planner – EPC  
Role : Team Member

The project involved preparation of a revitalization plan for the walled city of Ahmedabad. The plan included components such as Traffic and Transportation, Heritage Resources, Land Development, Water supply and sanitation etc.

**Surat Inner City Revitalization Plan**

Architect-Planner - EPC  
Role : Team Member

The project involved preparation of a revitalization plan for the inner city of Surat.

**Drive-In Road Revitalization Plan, Ahmedabad**

Architect-Planner - EPC

Role : Team Leader

### **Site suitability Analysis for Transport Nagar, Alang**

By CRDU-CEPT For GUJARAT MARITIME BOARD, Alang, July – September 2002

ROLE: Project Leader

CEPT was invited to carry out an independent study to analyze the site suitability of the proposed locations and arrive at a preference ranking for the same

### **Safe- Traffic Advocacy Cell, CEPT**

ROLE: Coordinator

CEPT has constituted Safe-Traffic Advocacy Cell (STAC). STAC will play a proactive role in trying to address the Traffic improvement issues.

### **Rural & Eco Tourism in South Rajasthan- Study & Documentation for Udaipur Chamber of Commerce & Industries**

As Independent Consultant to UCCI, Udaipur. January 2001

ROLE: Project Leader

The project involved study of rural tourism potential in Southern Rajasthan and documentation of the initiatives by the Chamber of Commerce and industries, Rajasthan. The project was funded by Swiss Agency for International Development and Co-operation (SDC) through UCCI, Udaipur.

### **Strategy for Rural Rain water harvesting, Rajasamand**

As Independent Consultant to Jheel Sarakshan Samiti, Udaipur. January 2001

ROLE: Project Leader

The project brief was to carry out a Rapid Regional study of South Rajasthan area, to be able to identify areas within the region facing water shortage.

### **Heritage Tour of Ahmedabad – Planning & Design for Auto rickshaw Tour**

As Independent Consultant to CRUTA foundation

ROLE: Project Leader

An auto rickshaw tour had to be designed connecting various important heritage and cultural resources in Ahmedabad. The project involved selection and short-listing of various locales, route planning and strategy for training and tour management

### **Damage Assessment of School Buildings, Surendranagar District**

By CRDU-CEPT For Govt. of Gujarat, January 2002

ROLE: Team Leader

A damage assessment report for sixteen grant-in-aid school buildings in district Surendranagar

### **Ahmedabad Communication Action Plan**

Architect-Planner - EPC

Role : Team Member

The plan was initiated as part of USAID project with the purpose of raising environmental awareness in Ahmedabad city.

## **ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN PROJECTS**

### **Design for Vocational Training School for Mentally Challenged Children, Jaipur**

As Independent Consultant to 'PRAYAS'

ROLE: Project Leader

### **Design of Historic Museum cum Resort, at Haldighati- A sustainable Development Demonstration project**

As Independent Consultant to UCCI, Udaipur. January 2001

ROLE: Project Leader

The Project was the outcome of Rural Tourism studies in South Rajasthan. A historic museum and tourist resort had to be planned demonstrating sustainable development principles

### **High School, Limbdi**

By CRDU-CEPT For Govt. of Gujarat, January 2002

ROLE: Architect

### **Primary School, Manekwada, Morbi**

By CRDU-CEPT For Govt. of Gujarat, January 2002

ROLE: Architect

### **Children Traffic Park & Strip Garden , Ahmedabad**

As Independent consultant to Traffic Police, A'bad. May 2001 - November 2001

ROLE: Project Leader

The project involved environmental up-gradation of the existing park and design of a new strip garden on its south edge. The total project cost was Rs 1.2 crores

### **Various Independent Residence Design (About 10)**

### **BLOG AND GENERAL WRITING ON CITIES**

[www.urbanjuntion.wrodpress.com](http://www.urbanjuntion.wrodpress.com)