Integrated Restaurants in Delhi's Urban Greens

DDA 2019 STUDENT'S DESIGN IDEA COMPETITION BRIEF

The competition being organized by the Landscape and Environment Planning Department, Delhi Development Authority aims to recognize a thoughtful and innovative environmental vision through design inputs on how to achieve a connection between our cities' open public greens and their user communities with regards to the natural and cultural character of the site.

Delhi Development Authority calls graduate and post-graduate students of Architecture, Landscape Architecture or any other related fields, to participate in this design competition to showcase their design ideas for the provision of restaurant facilities (in various categories), in DDA's urban greens. The competition invites submissions from students or teams of student's in these programs.

Theme: DESIGN WITH NATURE

The competition aims to provide an opportunity to students and professionals in the field to design innovative restaurant spaces in the existing greens of the city to provide the people of Delhi their leisure and recreational time in a park environment with food in a single and integrated designed space. The design can be categorized into the following:

- **Category A** – Cluster of Kiosks with organised open landscape areas as sit-out facilities
- **Category B** – Fine dining with landscaped sit-out areas

All the proposals should be designed according to the norms given in Master Plan of DDA-2021. (Annexure A)

Eligibility

The Student Design Idea Competition is open ONLY to students (graduate or post-graduate) of Architecture, Landscape Architecture or any other related fields. Participants can enter individually or as a team of maximum 5 no. of persons, all of whom need to be bonafide students of an educational institution.

Design brief

Open green spaces are used by the-people for leisure and respite, and these public spaces prosper and flourish when accessible, well-designed with necessary amenities and are welcoming and safe. Delhi Development Authority, seeks creative ideas for integrated landscape design of restaurant facility in its large green areas, for those who "live in, work in and visit Delhi".

It is essential that the design addresses the context and character of the site i.e. what is existing on the ground and also taking into account the associated structures and the surrounding areas. It is important that the entries look at and engage connections within the system, and integrate the existing functions and spaces of the area.

Even though the ecology of a city is often dominated by built forms and systems, it is always possible to integrate nature into our built environment. This is a significant part of the competition that we want participants to recognize and address.

Site Selection:

The students are free to choose any DDA Green with landuse as 'Recreational', of their choice, as per their analysis for locational context for viability of the project. However, details of the following sites are provided for the purpose of convenience as-

Site A – Lake Park at G-8, Hari Nagar (23 hectare)

Site B – District Park at Ashok Vihar, Ashoka Garden (30.04 hectare)

Site C – Aastha Kunj, District park at Nehru Place (102 hectare)

Site D – Hauz Khas Recreational Complex (38.6 hectare)

Site E – Satpula Lake Complex at Saket (15.20 hectare)

Site F – District Park Sheeshmahal at Shalimar Bagh (75.20 hectare)

The proposal may be justified for its local citing within the green, as per their design. AutoCAD drawings (Compatible with 2017 & older versions) for basic site features and site photographs for the above sites and Norms/ Sizes permissible as per MPD 2021 are annexed. (Annexure B) **Supporting documents (please visit DDA website for details)**

Site A – Lake Park at G-8, Hari Nagar
- Survey (not necessarily updated)
- Existing Landscape Plan as per record
- Location on google imagery
- Site photographs

Site B – District Park at Ashok Vihar, Ashoka Garden
- Survey (not necessarily updated)
- Existing Landscape Plan as per record
- Location on google imagery
- Site photographs

Site C – Aastha Kunj, District park at Nehru Place
- Survey (not necessarily updated)
- Existing Landscape Plan as per record
- Location on google imagery
- Site photographs

Site D – Hauz Khas Recreational Complex
- Survey (not necessarily updated)
- Existing Landscape Plan as per record
- Location on google imagery
- Site photographs

Site E – Satpula Lake Complex at Saket
- Survey (not necessarily updated)
- Existing Landscape Plan as per record
- Location on google imagery
- Site photographs

Site F – District Park Sheeshmahal at Shalimar Bagh
- Survey (not necessarily updated)
- Proposed Landscape Plan
- Location on google imagery
- Site photographs

Design Challenges

The competition challenges students to create "happy destinations" that contribute to people's well-being by integrating a building in an environment (not vice versa which usually is the case) in a manner that it is linked to its surroundings, with invisible boundaries. Some of the design challenges can be:

- to explore how these public spaces can be re-defined to provide interesting connections for nearby residents and visitors, while integrating it with the existing landscape and topography.
- To conceive open spaces as a resource which is multifunctional and design them as spatial experiences which are visually accessible, easily walkable and offer beneficial environmental services for all.
- To rediscover the character of existing open spaces with this built facility to function as stimulating environments, which attracts people from all backgrounds to engage in recreational activities, and at the same time carry frequent visitors.

Deliverables

The proposal can be submitted by Courier, Speed Post or by-hand to the Office of Additional Commissioner (Landscape), 11th floor, Vikas Minar, ITO, New Delhi – 110002 to reach us latest by 6 p.m, 04.09.19. Each submission by participants must include the following:

1. Two A1 size (841 x 594mm) sheet, in English, landscape format. The page must illustrate:
   - project idea;
   - graphic illustrations (layout plans, sections, elevations), in a specific scale and of a type that adequately describes the project;
   - 3D views (renderings, sketches, or photos of a model);

Note: The top right-hand corner shall have the Team ID, in the format: A1_TeamID
   (ex. If the group's "Team ID" is 123456, the file must be named: A1_123456).
   For soft copy submissions in both PDF (maximum file size of 36 mb) and AutoCAD format (Compatible with 2017 & older versions):
   File name: A1_TeamID
   (ex. If the group's "Team ID" is 123456, the file must be named: A1_123456).

2. One-page design statement (only text, images not permitted), A4 paper size, English language, word or pdf format. The statement must provide a brief description of the:
   - Design idea (maximum 4,000 characters, not including spaces)
   - Use of materials (maximum 1,000 characters, not including spaces)
   - Construction process (maximum 1,000 characters, not including spaces)

Note: For soft copy submissions:
   File name: A4_TeamID
   (ex. If the group's "Team ID" is 123456, the file must be named: A4_123456).

3. One cover page/logo, pdf format, minimum size 1920x1080 pixel, 300dpi, horizontal orientation, maximum file size 15 mb. The cover/logo that would be a representative of the project (rendering, sketch, diagram, etc.) for exhibits and publications.

Note: For soft copy submissions:
   File name: Cover_TeamID
   (ex. If the group's "Team ID" is 123456, the file must be named: Cover_123456).

4. Sealed envelope marked as Declaration form (Refer Annexure 'C' for the format of the Declaration Form) containing the following:
   - one A4 size sheet with entrant's identification details (including College ID, showing that participant is a bonafide college student).
   - detailing number of hard copies/ soft media submitted be included.

General instructions:

- One entry can only include one design proposal of any one category. Each team can apply in more than one categories.
- The text in the materials must be concise and written exclusively in English. The materials must not contain names or references to the designers. It is mandatory that the "team ID" appears in the name of the file as described above. All material must be sent in the formats indicated. Materials received in formats other than those specified will be disqualified, as indicated in the reasons for disqualification.
  - It is the responsibility of the individual/ teams to guarantee that the final images and files are in the size and resolution adequate to their reading.
  - The entrants must ensure that all images, photographs and other material taken from other sources are correctly accredited.

Competition deadlines

Start of Registration -2nd July, 2019, Register yourself by sending an email at restaurantdesign.DDAgreens@gmail.com and you will get an acknowledgement email within 1 working day.

Last date for Registration- 2nd August, 2019

Last date for Competition related enquiries- 12th August, 2019

Last date of submission of entries- 4th September, 2019

Jury Day- 18th September, 2019

Announcement of Results- 19th September, 2019

Jury and Awards for Student's Design Idea Competition

The entries will be evaluated by the following team of jury members:

Ms. Sujata Kohli, President, ISOLA (Indian Society of Landscape Architecture)

Prof.Dr. Mandeep Singh, Head of Department, Architecture Department (School of Planning and Architecture, Delhi)

Dr. Kalpana S. Khurana, Director (Landscape), DDA

The jury will award the following prizes per entry (individual or team)-:
- 1st prize – Rs. 20,000
- 2nd prize- Rs. 15,000
- 3rd prize- Rs. 10,000

The winning teams will receive recognition through an upload of their proposal on the DDA website and Twitter account. Certificates of participation, appreciation and awards signed by the Vice Chairman, DDA will be issued.

Evaluation Criteria

The criteria for judging of the entries will include the following parameters –

1) Architectural quality

- Interpretation of the theme with respect to the environmental and cultural context. The project must present a creative and an innovative design idea along with a sensitive approach to the area being developed.
- Quality of the architectural composition.

2) Use of sustainable materials and techniques

- Use of natural materials and local resources for architectural application. Simplification of the construction process making it sustainable. *Use of technology to achieve 'net-zero' energy, handling all onsite storm water capture, treatment, and infiltration.*

3) Reflection of contextual parameters in the design

- The architecture must integrate with the urban surroundings, environmental factors, and the landscape it is being built in.

Competition rules

- Participation in the Competition implies unconditional acceptance of the Competition rules.
- Entries received after the said date and time would not be eligible for evaluation.
- Proposals incomplete in any sense will not be accepted.
- All Competition entries are the property of the DDA and will not be returned.
- Selected works may be exhibited at the discretion of the DDA.
- DDA retains the right of duplication or publication or construction of any or all the material submitted to the Competition, in both digital and print media and there shall be no obligation whatsoever to the entrants, beyond acknowledging the authorship of the works exhibited or published.
- No entrant is allowed to have their submissions (or any part thereof) published in any way prior to the notification of the jury final decision.
- The jury shall preside over the competition, and is the sole arbiter at all levels until the final awarding of prizes. All decisions of the jury are final.

- All disputes related to the Competition that cannot be solved only by the jury shall be settled under the Chairmanship of Principal Commissioner (Landscape)/Vice Chairman, Delhi Development Authority
- The winners of the 1st, 2nd and 3rd prizes shall be announced by the Vice Chairman DDA in an award function.
- If the number of projects submitted exceeds 500, a pre-qualification process may take place.

Anonymity:

- Upon receipt, each entry will be assigned a serial number by the DDA organizing committee in order to guarantee the anonymity during the selection.
- The PDF and AutoCAD 2017 files and the folder they are in shall not identify the names of the participants.
- All entries submitted must be in a single packet. The top right-hand corner of the packet shall have the Team ID, in the format: A1_TeamID. The envelope and the sheets shall be marked with serial number by the DDA. Submittals in the envelope must not reveal the names or identity of the entrant and/or landscape architects, firms, other designers, students, schools, photographers. Any such identification would result in automatic disqualification. Entrants must use an easily readable typeface no smaller than 11-point size, for all text.
- The declaration form must be complete in all respects. The Declaration Forms will be kept separate from the project files, and will only be consulted by the jury once the final deliberations are completed.

Reasons for Disqualification

- Deliverables that include text in a language other than English.
- Deliverables that include names or references to the designers. The team ID is to be used as the team's indicative reference.
- File names that do not adhere to the format specified in the announcement. (Refer section "Deliverables")
- Incomplete deliverables that do not adhere to the specifications provided in the announcement. (Refer section "Deliverables")
- Materials received within time frames or via methods other than those specified in the announcement. (Refer section "Deadlines")
- Any participant disseminates material related to his or her team's submission prior to the selection of the winners.
- If a participant is not found to be a bonafide college student.
- Any case of personal/team identification on the submitted entries will lead to the disqualification of the individual/team.

For any queries about Student Design Idea Competition

The Competition related enquiries can be emailed at restaurantdesign.DDAgreens@gmail.com by 12.08.19 till 6:00 p.m. titled as "QUERIES FOR DDA STUDENTS DESIGN IDEA COMPETITION 2019". Questions received after this date will not be answered. The answers would be mailed as FAQ on 16.08.19.

Or please contact:

Deputy Director-I (Landscape), Ms. Neelima Soni

Address: 10th floor, Vikas Minar, ITO, I.P. Estate, New Delhi-110002

Contact: 9811239055

(Please visit the official website and accounts of DDA at www.dda.org.in, Facebook and Twitter for competition updates and details.)