

C.V.: KIRTEE SHAH

Birth Date: 1:7:1943

Place: Village:**Kherva**; District: **Mehsana**: North Gujarat; India

Education: Studied Architecture at the School of Architecture at CEPT, Ahmedabad (1962 – 1968)

Professional non profit Work:

1.0 Founder Trustee and Hon. Director: Ahmedabad Study Action Group (ASAG)

(1971—1995: Full Time; 1995 onwards: on a part time, full responsibility basis)

Ahmedabad Study Action Group (ASAG), conceived as a platform for young professionals seeking to work for an 'alternative' client (primarily the poor and disadvantaged groups in villages and cities) and a different professional challenge, is a non-government, non-commercial, non-profit organization run by concerned professionals committed to utilizing their skills for public causes in general and the poor groups and the disadvantaged sections in particular. For the past 40 years professionals with different specializations – in urban planning, social science, architecture, engineering, management, economics, child care, social work, rural development and urban development – have joined hands to undertake field projects (on shelter for the poor in tribal, rural and urban areas; child care and development; disaster reconstruction; poverty alleviation and community development); consultancy (on housing, urban planning, architectural design, and low-cost-construction); studies; networking (among NGOs and professionals); advocacy (on slums, sustainable urban development, participatory planning, role of the civil society in development, etc.), NGO representation in policy making initiatives and bodies and institution development

Kirtee Shah, besides being the Founder Trustee, is also ASAG's Director from the beginning (Hon Director since 1985). Duties and responsibilities of the honorary director include overall policy and direction, activity planning, project development and implementation, resource mobilization and coordination and organizational development.

In his capacity as ASAG's Hon. Director and leader of the team, Kirtee Shah has played a key role in conceiving, designing and managing the following activities and projects.

(Details of the activities and projects in Enclosure-1)

2.0 Consultancy Projects

2.1 UNICEF. (1981-83)

Consultant to UNICEF India office for the Small and Medium Towns Development Project and the Urban Community Development Projects.

2.2 HDFC : Gujarat Rural Housing Finance Agency (GRUH)

Consultant to HDFC to prepare a blueprint detailing rationale and suggesting organizational design for a new rural housing finance company for the Gujarat state.

2.3 UNICEF and Royal Government of Bhutan (1987)

Consultant to UNICEF and the Royal Government of Bhutan on rural housing

2.4 Sites and Services for Ahmedabad Municipal Corporation (1985)

Leader of the team preparing a World Bank assisted Sites and Services project in Ahmedabad city for Ahmedabad Municipal Corporation (AMC).

2.5 Housing Strategy for Ahmedabad City (1987)

Team leader of a study project undertaken by Ahmedabad Municipal Corporation and funded by the World Bank

2.6 UNCHS (1987-88)

Lead consultant for the "Information Program on the Role of the Non-Governmental Organizations and community based groups active in Human Settlement Projects in Asia" sponsored by UNCHS

2.7 EDI: The World Bank: (1988)

Consultant to EDI to prepare a case-study on "Community Participation in Hyderabad UCD":

2.8 IDRC—Canada: Unregulated Housing Submarkets in Ahmedabad (1989-92)

Lead consultant for a research project funded by IDRC, Canada on the unregulated housing supply system in Ahmedabad city.

2.9 World Bank and Govt. of Maharashtra (1993-1994)

Consultant to the World Bank for the "Maharashtra Emergency Earthquake Rehabilitation Project" on Housing, infrastructure and Community Participation.

2.10 UNDP-UNOPS (2002)

Consultant to the Conflict Prevention and Recovery Unit of UNDP-Indonesia for the North Maluku Recovery Programme for the North Maluku and Maluku provinces

2.11 Disaster Emergency Committee—U.K. (2003)

Consultant to DEC for the evaluation of shelter work by DEC partner agencies in earthquake affected villages and towns of Gujarat, India.

2.12 KfW, Germany (2005)

Consultant to KfW to assist the National Housing Development Authority (NHDA), to prepare "Housing Supports for the Tsunami Affected Households" program in Batticaloa and Ampara districts of Sri Lanka.

2.13 NHDA, Sri Lanka (2005-07)

Assistance and facilitation to the local communities to construct, repair and retrofit houses and settlements damaged/ destroyed by the tsunami.

2.14 KFW and Government of Orissa, India (2004-2009)

Assistance to the Govt. Of Orissa, as a project consultant for their Multipurpose Cyclone Shelter Project in three cyclone prone districts of Kendrapara, Bhadrak and Balasore in coastal Orissa

2.15 GTZ, Sri Lanka (2005)

Lead consultant for a short duration consultancy with GTZ to orient and train a Sri Lankan group of professionals on disaster reconstruction using post-earthquake reconstruction work in Gujarat as case study.

2.16 KFW and Govt of Afghanistan (2006-08)

Assistance to Govt. of Afghanistan in construction of educational infrastructure in three districts in association with a German consulting firm

2.17 InWent (2007-08)

Lead consultant for a Nigerian group of professionals and officers to orient train through exposure to approaches, strategies, innovations and actions in the urban sector in India.

2.18 Inwent and CDIA (2010 onwards)

Consultant to Inwent (German Government) and CDIA (Cities Development Initiative for Asia, promoted by ADB, KFW and others) for the institution scan in India aimed at identifying National Partner Organisations for CDIA on capacity development of cities focused on large scale infrastructure development. Also assessing pro-poor orientation and focus of selected CDIA projects

2.19 Government of India (2010 onwards)

Assistance to MEA, Gol in developing an approach to and strategy for construction of 50,000 rural houses for the conflict affected families in the Northern and Eastern provinces of Sri Lanka

(These consultancy activities have been detailed in Annexure-2)

3.0 Architectural Practice

Chairman, KSA Design Planning Services Pvt. Ltd. (1990 onwards)

Founder-Chairman and Chief Architect of a private architectural consultancy firm engaged in designing public and private buildings: including residential houses, apartment buildings, commercial complexes, institutional buildings and industrial townships. Current projects, worth Rs. 10000 million, are located in different parts of India.

- ❖ Main office at Ahmedabad. Branches at Bhubaneswar and Chennai
- ❖ Offices for the project duration in Batticaloa (Sri Lanka) for the tsunami reconstruction housing (2006-2008) and Kunduz (Afghanistan for the schools infrastructure project in association with a German consulting firm) (2006-2008)
- ❖ Past and present projects in 30 centers in India
- ❖ The project work mainly includes educational campuses; hospitals and other institutional buildings; commercial complexes; sports and recreational clubs, medium and large apartment housing; industrial townships; affordable housing; disaster preparedness and reconstruction projects in India and abroad
- ❖ Emphasis on sustainable design and construction
- ❖ Main projects:-

- Research Park, Indian Institute of Technology, Madras: 1.6 million sq. ft. Project cost: Rs 3000 million (2007 onwards)
- Rural Education campus for Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Tuljapur : 80,000 sq. ft.(2007 onwards)
- Affordable Housing Projects in Chennai, Coimbatore, Ahmedabad: 1.5 million sq .ft (2009 onwards)
- Ganpat University Campus, Mehsana: Educational buildings, hostels, residential and recreational buildings: 5,00,000 sq .ft.(2004 onwards)
- Tsunami Reconstruction Housing, 6000 units, Batticaloa and Ampara Districts, Sri Lanka in association with BGS ,Germany (2006-2008)
- Educational Infrastructure Development Project, Kunduz, Takher and Badashkhan in Afghanistan (2006-2008) in association with BGS Germany
- Golf and Township Project in Ahmedabad: 750 Acre site. Project Cost : 3000 million (2000 onwards)
- 10,000 rural houses for the earthquake victims of Gujarat through 15 non profit agencies (2002-2005) in association with BGS, Germany
- Cyclone Shelter Project: 36 Shelters in Kendrapara, Bhadrak and Balasore districts of coastal Orissa. Project cost Rs. 250 million in association with BGS, Germany
- CDB (Christian Centre for Development of Bangladesh) in Dhaka. The entire 70,000 sq.ft. project consisting of several buildings is constructed in mud technology

4.0 Representation/, Appointment on the Government Committees, Commissions and Boards

4.1 Member: National Commission on Urbanization (NCU) (1985-88)

A Member of the “National Commission on Urbanization” (NCU) set up by the Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi to analyze urbanization trends, city development strategies to recommend policy and institutional change in the context of the rapid urbanization and emerging role of the cities in the economic development of India. The Commission, which worked with a full time secretariat for three years, was the first major post independence national initiative on the cities and produced far reaching recommendations on policies, investments, institutional development, programs and projects, etc.

4.2 Convener: Working Group on Urban Poverty set up by the National Commission on Urbanization, GOI (1985-88)

Convener of the “Working Group on Urban Poverty” set up by the National Commission on Urbanization to examine nature and scale of urban poverty in India and to suggest short term measures and long term policy and institutional response for urban poverty alleviation.

4.3 Director: (HUDCO) (1996 – 99)

Director on the Board of Directors of Housing and Urban Development Corporation (Hudco), India’s the largest government owned public sector housing finance company providing loans for housing and infrastructure projects to public agencies, cooperatives, private sector, and the individuals, with a special mandate to provide loans to the economically weaker sections and the low income groups.

4.4 Member: Task Force on Shelter for the Poor and Slum Improvement (1983– 84).

Member of the “Task Force on Shelter for the Poor and Slum Improvement”, one of the four Task Forces – Urban Finance, Urban Management and Urban Infrastructure were the other three – set up by the Planning Commission, Government of India. The Task Force made policy recommendations on improvement of slums in Indian cities.

4.5 Member: Working Group on Housing

Member of the “Working Group on Housing” set up by the Planning Commission, Government of India for the Seventh Five Year Plan.

4.6 Member : High Powered Commission to examine effects of large scale industries on the people (1984-85).

Member of the state government appointed special commission to examine effects of large scale industries on people living near such industries and industrial estates. The report highlighted plight of the land losers and environmental degradation while making recommendations on land use and industrial location policy keeping in mind both the urban and the rural development needs

4.7 Member : Working Groups on Housing Finance and Rural Housing (1996-97).

Member of the “Working Group on Housing Finance’ and the ‘Working Group on Rural Housing” set up by the Planning Commission, Government of India, for the 9th Five Year Plan

4.8 Working Group on Urban Poverty Alleviation (2001-02)

A member of the Working Group on Urban Poverty Alleviation for the 10th Five Year Plan (2001 -2002) set up by the Govt. of India

4.9 Steering Committee for the 11th Five Year Plan (2006)

Member of the Steering Committee on Urban Development, Urban Housing and Urban Poverty for the Eleventh Five Year Plan

4.10 Empowered Committee of NMRHH: (1999- 2001)

Member of the Empowered Committee of the National Mission on Rural Housing and Habitat, set up by the Ministry of Rural Development, Government of India

4.11 Working Group on Rural Poverty Alleviation Programs: (2001-02)

Member of the Working Group on Rural Poverty Alleviation Programmes for the 10th Five Year Plan

4.12 Advisory Committee’ GSDMA (2001—2003)

Member of the Advisory Committee to the Gujarat State Disaster Management Authority set up by the Government of Gujarat following earthquake in Gujarat 2001.

4.13. Member: Western Region Committee of the All India Council of Technical Education (AICTE)

AICTE is a regulatory body in charge of promotion and development of higher education in India.

4.14 Member : CAPART (1996-98)

Member of the Regional Centre, Western Zone of the Council for Advancement of People's Action and Rural Technology (CAPART), a Government of India body, engaged in promoting community participation, technology development and role of the NGOs in rural development. Also on CAPART's National Steering Committee on Rural Housing.

5.0 Organization development and responsible/leadership position in national and international organizations

5.1 President: Habitat International Coalition (HIC) (1993 – 2003)

President of a world coalition of over 350 NGOs, CBOs, networks, activists and professionals engaged in defense and promotion of housing rights and human settlements development issues and activities.

5.2 President: India Habitat Forum (INHAF) (1996 onwards)

Founding member and President of the national coalition of NGOs, civic groups, academics and professionals involved in housing, environment and urban development issues. Habitat Forum provides a platform to share, exchange and work together on issues related to homelessness, slums, poverty, urban development, public policy and government programs and projects. INHAF is an advocacy platform.

5.3 President: Institute of Cultural Research and Action (ICRA) (1990 onwards)

President, Institute of Cultural Research and Action (ICRA), a non-government agency based in Bangalore and involved primarily in education, training, advocacy and promotion of sustainable agricultural practices.

5.4 Ashoka Innovators for the Public (1985-95)

Founding Member, President of India Programme and Member of the International Board of Ashoka Innovators for the Public (till 1995) engaged in promoting social cause entrepreneurship. Ashoka, with its first country program in India, now has programs in 20 countries in Asia, Africa and Latin America

5.5 HOLSAA (2001-2006)

Founder Chairman of HOLSAA- Home Losers' Service Association of Ahmedabad- set up following earthquake in Gujarat in January 2001. HOLSAA is an association of individuals who lost their living accommodation—mainly apartments- in the earthquake, as also voluntary service providers. HOLSAA's jurisdiction is Ahmedabad city.

5.6 ACHR: Asian Coalition for Housing Rights (1995 onwards)

A member of the Governing Committee of the Asian Coalition for Housing Rights (ACHR) and ACCA(Asian Coalition for Community Action), a regional network of NGOs, CBOs, communities and professionals working on people centered development, with a special focus on the urban poor and slums. City wide strategies for slum upgrading, national level urban poor fund, community development, community managed disaster reconstruction, savings and credit and community professional are its main areas of engagement

5.7 Member: Advisory Committee, Social Housing Foundation, South Africa (1997-98)

Member of the Advisory Committee of Social Housing Foundation established by National Housing Finance Corporation Limited (NHFCL) of South Africa with primary

objective to promote, support and assist formation and growth of sustainable social housing organizations and projects in South Africa

5.8 Member (Also member of the Executive Committee representing ACHR) of Citynet (1995 onwards). A regional organization of cities and civil society organizations promoting balanced and sustainable development of cities in the Asia region. Also authored Citynet's restructuring and capacity development agenda in 2010.

5.9 Chair, Design Professionals of Fetzer Advisory Council set up by Kalamazoo, Michigan, USA based private Foundation. The 16 member Advisory Council, consisting of high level professionals selected globally is to shape the institute's work in the 'design' sector under a broad based theme of love and forgiveness.

Enclosure-1

ASAG Projects and Activities:

In his capacity as ASAG's Director and leader of the team, Kirtee Shah has played a key role in conceiving, designing and managing the following activities/projects

- **Rural Reconstruction: Mandva :**

Coordinator of a project designed to rehabilitate village Mandva in South Gujarat, destroyed by the floods in river Narmada. Lived in the village for two years co-ordinating activities relating to construction of a new settlement on a 83 acre site, two kms. from the original location with active community participation. Responsibility included design and construction of 365 low-cost houses for the village poor; demonstration houses for the non-poor; community consultation and coordination of self-help activities by the village community, and voluntary work by student volunteers from schools and colleges of Gujarat (1969-70)

- **Slum Rehabilitation Project: Nadiad (1972-73)**

Resettlement and rehabilitation of a community of 300 poor families-- mainly self employed poor migrants from the rural districts-- squatting in a pond in Nadiad town, 50 kms south of Ahmedabad. The project was jointly financed by Government of Gujarat, Nadiad Municipality and OXFAM. 300 low cost houses (unit cost Rs.1200) along with required services and community amenities were built, in a participatory manner, on a site given by the local municipality one km from the pond

- **Flood Rehabilitation Project: Broach and Baroda districts (1971-74)**

2100 low cost houses (unit cost Rs.1300) were constructed to rehabilitate 20 villages destroyed by heavy floods (1970) in river Narmada in South Gujarat. Government of Gujarat and Catholic Relief Services provided funds. ASAG's responsibility included selection of sites in consultation with the villagers; coordination with Taluka (block) and District Panchayat authorities; design of houses and preparation of site layouts; construction supervision; material procurement; finance management and community consultation and participation

- **Chandrabhaqa Slum Relocation Project: Ahmedabad (1972-77)**

Undertaken to relocate 1000 slum families squatting on Ahmedabad Municipal Corporation land reserved for a water front development scheme, the project was initiated and planned by ASAG for Gujarat Housing Board. It was shelved for three years and revived again in 1975. 1015 low cost incremental houses were constructed under supervision of Gujarat Housing Board

- **Save A Rupee A Day and Own Your House Scheme: Ahmedabad (1972-74)**
The project included construction of 5000 low cost houses in Ahmedabad city. ASAG provided architectural and structural design services
- **Integrated Urban Development Project: Ahmedabad (1973-78)**
Project Director and Secretary of the Project Committee (set up by Ahmedabad Municipal Corporation to coordinate project planning and implementation) of a flood rehabilitation cum slum improvement project in Ahmedabad. IUDP was undertaken to rehabilitate 2250 families living in 20 slums pockets on the river Sabarmati and rendered homeless by the heavy floods in August '73. The project, costing over Rs.20 million was jointly financed by the Government of Gujarat, Ahmedabad Municipal Corporation, HUDCO, OXFAM and others. A new township with 2250 low cost houses and required infrastructure services and community buildings has been built, on a 43 acre site, about seven kms south of the city centre. ASAG's responsibility included advocacy and project conceptualization; architectural design; fund raising and finance management; construction management; community consultation and organization; assistance to the communities to relocate from the old clusters to the new settlement; allotment of houses to the different regional, caste and religious groups on a voluntary choice basis; pre and post relocation community work and income supplementing activities.
- **Rural Housing and Development Programme: Dholka Taluka (1978-81)**
Under Rural Housing and Development Programme (RHDP), 1800 low-cost houses were constructed for the landless rural poor in 20 villages of Dholka taluka (Ahmedabad district). The poor families were given the land sites under a central government sponsored home site distribution scheme. Besides providing support services to the villagers to construct their own houses, community development, family welfare and income supplementing activities were undertaken. The project had a strong community participation bias
- **Low Income Housing: Pansar (1978-80)**
218 low cost houses were constructed for the economically weaker groups in village Pansar as part of a national housing competition sponsored by HUDCO and Hari Om Ashram
- **Housing Assistance for Antyodaya Families: Valod (1981-94)**
Worked as the team leader in preparing the project blue-print and guiding work of a housing and community development project involving 5000 tribal families in 40 villages of Valod taluka in South Gujarat. Housing Assistance for Antyodaya Families (HAAF), jointly undertaken by Vedchhi Pradesh Seva Samiti, a social service organisation working on Gandhian principles and ASAG, followed 30 year long development work by VIAS to improve socio-economic conditions of the poor tribals through integrated projects in primary and adult education, income generation, social welfare and community development. Main thrust areas were appropriate housing

(affordable cost, local materials, self-help construction, and repair/upgrading of existing houses); introduction of new technologies; leadership development and community empowerment. The housing clients, mostly poor tribal groups, were motivated and assisted to form Gram Rachna Mandals (Village Development Councils) to participate actively in decision making. The project, under which over 4500 poor tribal families were helped to build/upgrade their houses and construct over 1500 bio-gas plants, besides improving housing and living conditions, trained village leaders and created a climate for cooperative action. Considerable work was also done on social forestry, renewable energy projects (bio-gas, solar energy powered wood seasoning, solar cookers, efficient chullah, etc.), skill training, income supplementation through building material production activity and mobilization of women's groups

- **Sarjan (1975 onwards)**

Sarjan - meaning "creation" in Gujarati-- attempts child development through creative activities. Sarjan team works with young children, mostly the poor living in slums, destitutes and child labour. At Sarjan children are provided working facility, inexpensive tools, supportive environment and encouragement for self expression: through drawing, painting, singing, play writing, acting, nature discovery, group-work, etc.

Started 30 years ago at Juhapura resettlement colony, Sarjan also operates in other slum pockets of the city. It works with self employed street children at Ahmedabad railway station and with the children employed by small, road - side food vendors. Sarjan also runs training and extension activities for teachers of public and private primary schools and workers of child welfare agencies. Production of greeting cards and calendars using children's creative art-work provide earning opportunity to some children

- **Dhanora Village Resettlement Project – Baroda . (1986-87)**

The project was designed to relocate village Dhanora (160 families, near Baroda) threatened by industrial pollution. Indian Petrochemicals Ltd. (IPCL), a public sector petrochemical company, contributed funds. The assignment included project planning, community consultation, design of houses and community buildings and construction of a new settlement with 160 houses, environmental services and community amenities. Despite consultative planning, participatory decision making and stake-holder partnership, the newly built settlement remained unoccupied for a long time

- **Poverty Programme: Dholka (PPD) (1982-2006)**

The project covered over 7000 poor families, mainly landless labour and rural artisans, belonging to Dalit and other socially backward groups in 100 villages of Dholka and Bavla talukas of Ahmedabad district. The main thrust was on gaining understanding of the poverty problem by maintaining close contacts with the project families and searching ways to enable them to overcome poverty. Activities to create productive assets, upgrade skills, supplement income, mobilize savings, upgrade technology and form cooperatives were started. Focus was also on organizing women's savings and credit groups, legal aid and developing a community managed credit delivery system

- **RFDG : River Front Development Group: Ahmedabad (1985-88)**

Assisted in setting up and worked as part of a voluntary group consisting of professionals and NGOs to (a) prepare a project blue-print for development of

Sabarmati river front (b) mobilize public support for the project, and (c) activate the state government and the local municipal corporation for implementation. Cleaning up the river by treating and diverting pollutants and developing the river banks as a civic space were the main objectives. The work of RFDG was an advocacy effort on part of the concerned citizens of Ahmedabad and was a follow up on a lead by a French architect who took the first initiative on the development of the river environment..

- **Earthquake Rehabilitation (2001-2002)**
Coordinator of a project to reconstruct villages Nani-Boru and Moti-Boru (Ahmedabad district) partially damaged by earthquake in Gujarat in 2001
- **Riot Rehabilitation and Reconstruction((2002-2003)**
Coordination of relief, reconstruction, rehabilitation and reconciliation work in Ahmedabad city following communal riots and unprecedented violence in Gujarat in February-April 2002. The work included augmentation of survival assistance provided by the state government and service to the transit camp residents, repair and reconstruction of damaged/destroyed houses, trauma care, confidence building and provision of home-kits to those who fled homes during the violence and returned set up home again.
- **Childline Ahmedabad (2001 onwards)**
Director of the project that provides 24 hour telephone helpline for the children in distress for the entire city of Ahmedabad (5 million population). Childline Ahmedabad is one of the 83 city projects in India supported by the Government of India. Besides providing the required support services to the children in difficulty Childline is engaged in child protection and child right activities also.

Annexure-2

Consultancy work

1 UNICEF (1981-83)

Consultant to UNICEF India office for the Small and Medium Towns Development Project and the Urban Community Development Projects. Assisted in designing UCD (Urban Community Development) Projects for Jaipur and Calcutta. Also worked on project implementation strategy for provision of basic services in medium sized towns Ballia and Barabanki (Uttar Pradesh), Kathihar (Bihar), Bhilwara (Rajasthan) and Purulia (West Bengal)

2 HDFC Gujarat Rural Housing Agency (GRUH) (1987)

Consultant to HDFC to prepare an organizational blueprint detailing rationale and suggesting organizational design for a new rural housing finance company. Based on the report, Housing Development Finance Corporation (HDFC), India's first and the most successful private sector housing finance company, launched, in 1987, Gujarat Rural Housing Finance Agency (GRUH). GRUH, a private sector venture in rural housing finance in India, provides loan facility to individuals to construct, purchase and repair/upgrade houses in villages and towns of Gujarat

3 UNICEF and Royal Government of Bhutan (1987)

Consultant to UNICEF and the Royal Government of Bhutan on rural housing. The assignment included studying the housing processes and traditions besides the government programs and projects to recommend strategies to preserve the rural housing traditions including improving the status and working conditions of the traditional craftsmen; conservation of the existing rural housing stock and supports for the poorly housed villagers to improve their housing conditions

4 World Bank and Ahmedabad Municipal Corporation (1985)

Leader of the team that prepared a World Bank assisted Sites and Services project for Ahmedabad Municipal Corporation (AMC). The project, on a 60 acre site in a fast developing suburb of Ahmedabad, was designed to provide developed land plots to 3000 low income households. The project did not materialize.

5 World Bank and Ahmedabad Municipal Corporation (1987)

Team leader of a study—Housing Strategy for Ahmedabad City-- sponsored by Ahmedabad Municipal Corporation and funded by the World Bank. The main objectives of the study were (a) assessing housing trends in the city region (b) projecting future housing needs (c) analyzing influence factors (changing economic base, income distribution, physical characteristics, growth trends, land market, legal framework, institutional set up, etc.), and (d) designing strategies aimed at accelerated supply with special emphasis on needs of the poorer segments of the city populations

6 UNCHS (1987-88)

Lead consultant of the "Information Program on the Role of Non-Governmental Organizations and community based groups active in Human Settlement Projects in Asia". A year long NGO networking programme for the Asia region sponsored by UNCHS (Habitat) during International Year of Shelter for the Homeless. Some of the innovative housing and community development projects in the country were studied and documented leading to a national consultation of the practitioners.

7 EDI: World Bank: (1988)

Consultant to EDI to prepare a case-study on "Community Participation: Hyderabad Urban Community Development Project" for the Asian Seminar on Community Participation organized by EDI/UNCRD/APDC at Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

8 IDRC: Unregulated Housing Submarkets in Ahmedabad (1989-92)

Lead consultant for a research project assigned by IDRC, Canada. The project was designed to assess nature, scale of operation, working methods and contribution of unregulated housing supply system in Ahmedabad city. Emphasis was on studying processes and actors involved in producing unregulated housing and its interface with the formal system. Policy and other measures were recommended to regulate/ facilitate the sub-system

9 World Bank and Govt. of Maharashtra (1993-1994)

Consultant to the World Bank for the "Maharashtra Emergency Earthquake Rehabilitation Project", costing Rs. 11000 million on Housing, infrastructure and Community Participation. The project involved construction of over 60000 new houses in 52 relocated and partially damaged villages; repair and strengthening of 1,90,000 damaged houses in 2500 villages, and developing retrofitting strategy for vulnerable houses in Latur, Osmanabad and other districts of Marathwada region in Maharashtra. The work included assessment of community perceptions and priorities on relocation

and rehabilitation, development of prototype house designs, consultation and advise on development of large village/town master plans, interaction with NGOs and contractors on costing, construction and quality, adoption of earthquake resistant technology suitable to local people and conditions, format preparation and monitoring of community participation practices, training and capacity building of supervisory professionals, etc.

10 UNDP-UNOPS (2002)

Consultant to the Conflict Prevention and Recovery Unit of UNDP-Indonesia for the North Maluku Recovery Programme, a multi-sectoral initiative to complement efforts of the government of Indonesia and other parties to support post conflict recovery, longer term peace building and sustainable development in the provinces of North Maluku and Maluku. The consultancy assignment included assessment of damage to settlements infrastructure including housing; developing reconstruction strategy in view of the community perceptions and local conditions; suggesting organizational arrangements at different levels for projects implementation and assistance delivery and estimating investment needs.

11 Disaster Emergency Committee—U.K. (2003)

Consultant to DEC for the evaluation of shelter work by DEC partner agencies in earthquake affected villages and towns of Gujarat, India (2001). Work of eleven DEC member agencies including Action Aid, CARE, Christian Aid, Concern, Help the Aged, Merlin, Oxfam, Save the Children, etc was evaluated. DEC had raised 1.9 million pounds in charity for the reconstruction work.

12 KfW, Germany (2005)

Consultant to KfW to assist the designated project executive agency, the National Housing Development Authority (NHDA), to prepare “Housing Supports for the Tsunami Affected Households” program, in two heavily hit districts of Batticaloa and Ampara on the eastern sea coast of Sri Lanka. The assignment included verification of needs assessment done by the local government agencies; assessment of institutional capacity of the government departments, public housing agencies, private contractors and local and international Ngos and affected communities for project implementation, and project design including cost estimation. The assignment also included suggesting a capacity enhancement plan for National Housing Development Authority (NHDA) and its agencies, as also ways to enlist community participation in sub-project development and implementation

13 NHDA, Sri Lanka (2005-07)

Assistance and facilitation to the local communities--6000 households—in association with a German Consulting firm BGS, in the Batticaloa and Ampara districts on the Eastern sea coast of Sri Lanka, to construct, repair and retrofit houses and settlements damaged/ destroyed by the tsunami. The work included canalization of donor and government funds to the local agencies and ultimately to the beneficiary communities; developing prototype house designs using participatory methods; design and technological innovations for cost reduction and better quality houses; capacity enhancement of NHDA’s district level branches for project planning, implementation and monitoring; identifying and engaging international and local NGOs to assist local communities in their work and training and capacity building of NGOs for better delivery of services.

14 KfW, Germany and Government of Orissa, India (2004-2009)

Assisted the Govt. Of Orissa, Orissa Branch of the Indian Red Cross Society and KFW for their Multipurpose Cyclone Shelter Project under which 36 cyclone shelters were constructed to protect cyclone threatened rural populations in three cyclone prone districts of Kendrapara, Bhadrak and Balasore in coastal Orissa. These shelters withstand cyclones with 250 km an hour velocity and are designed to shelter between 2000 to 3000 villagers at the time of the cyclone. The project costing Rs 250 million was funded by KFW. The consultancy assignment included performance assessment of the shelters built earlier, developing design parameters, selection of the villages and the sites, design of the shelters, construction management, coordination with a strong community development team and the village communities, etc.

15 KFW and Government of Afghanistan (2006-2008)

Assisted the Government of Afghanistan in development of educational infrastructure in three provinces of Kunduz, Takher and Badshkhan in Afghanistan in association with the German consulting firm BGS. The work included design and construction management of new school, hostel and teacher training facility buildings as also repair and rehabilitation of existing damaged buildings. Interaction with local communities, government officers and school managements for their views in the design and construction process and post construction maintenance maintenance was emphasized.

16 GTZ, Sri Lanka (2005)

Lead consultant for a short duration consultancy (Feb-March 2005) with GTZ to assist a 14 member group of Sri Lankan professionals, government officers, NGOs and international experts on their orientation , training and capacity building on disaster reconstruction using post-earthquake reconstruction work in Gujarat as a case study.

17 InWent (2007-08)

Lead consultant for a 42 man-day consultancy with Inwent-Germany involving a South-South exchange between a team of urban planners, government officers,, city administrators, NGO representatives, an UNCHS officer and a banker from the three Nigerian cities –Lagos, Abuja, Kano—and their Indian counterparts in the cities of Ahmedabad, Mumbai, Delhi and Bangalore. The assignment included orientation, training and capacity building of the Nigerian urban professionals through exposure to approaches, strategies, innovations and actions in the urban sector in India. Some 22 major innovative projects/organizations/activities in four metro cities of India were presented to the Nigerian team by the Indian lead persons themselves.. The emphasis was on taking home concrete ideas and approaches that could be applied in improving urban governance in general and housing delivery and living conditions in city slums in Nigerian cites in particular.

18 Inwent and CDIA

Assistance to Inwent (German Government) and CDIA (Cities Development Initiative for Asia, promoted by ADB, KFW and others) for the institution scan in India aimed at identifying National Partner Organizations for CDIA on capacity development of cities, focused on large scale infrastructure development. Also assessed pro-poor orientation and focus of selected CDIA projects in India and abroad (2010)

19 Government of India (2010 onwards)

Assistance to MEA, Government of India in developing an approach to programme development and strategy for implementation for 50,000 rural houses for the conflict affected families in the Northern and the Eastern provinces of Sri Lanka

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