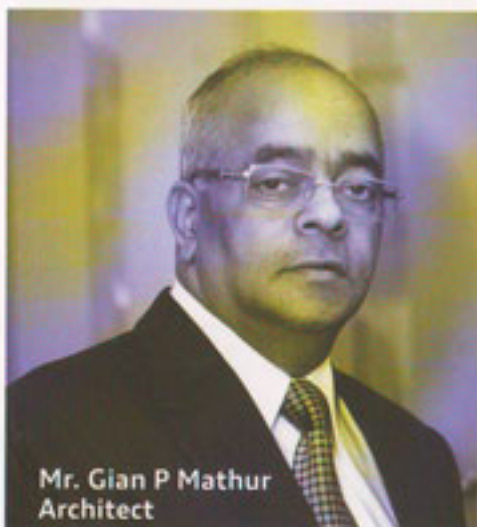


INTERVIEW



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Mr. Gian P Mathur
Architect

The Sapphire

Q+A: ARCHITECT GIAN P MATHUR

Thirty years after opening his firm, the celebrated architect discusses with Dushyant Sinha about his diverse portfolio of commercial, residential, hospitality, institutional, infrastructure, interiors, urban planning and industrial projects across the country. This gives their clients a glimpse of their all-round capabilities, as well as a glimpse of their core skills, expertise and team talent.

Dushyant Sinha: What are the most significant challenges and most satisfying aspects of being an architect?

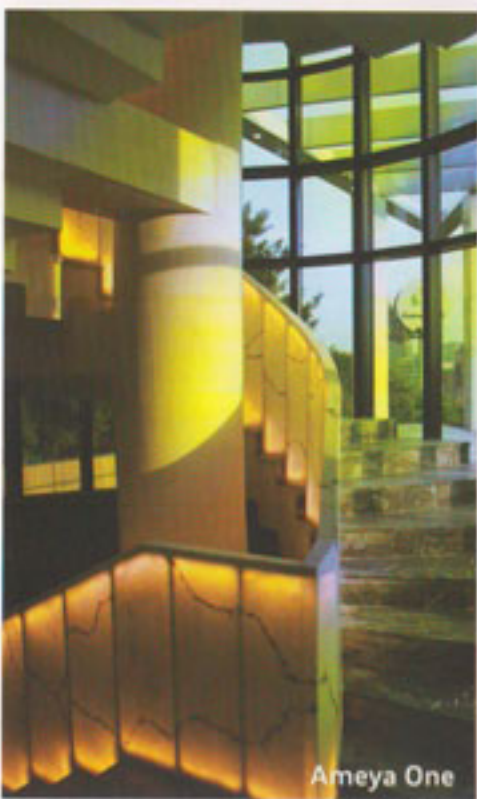
Gian P Mathur: Being an architect was a dream as well as a challenge for me. I was inspired by my father who had lived all across India. The most satisfying aspect of being an architect is that we try to create spaces for the public to use, live in and enjoy the environment.

DS: Can you throw light on the current trends in the field of architecture?

GM: With rapid changes in the environment all around us, it is vital to imbibe Sustainable and biologically balanced architecture. At the same time with changing tastes and lifestyles, architecture must be an enriching experience for the user. Looking at the demand and supply gap, especially in the residential sector the challenge is to produce mass affordable housing that use efficient technologies e.g. Pre-fabrication technologies. Another contemporary challenge is to use digital tools in architecture and integrate them with current architecture trends.

DS: You are associated with Ameya Group for so long. What's behind the association?

GM: We are both working together to create some meaningful and environment-friendly architecture. The Ameya group is



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very sensitive towards the built environment and is always striving to provide value for money to their clients. They make sure that we as architects do enough value engineering to create the best solutions for every challenge.

DS: After the great success of Sapphire and Ameya One what next in the pipeline?

GM: Upcoming large mixed-land use development project for retail, commercial & serviced residences with special shopping experiences

DS: What different factors should a developer should look into to meet the deadline for the project delivery?

GM: In today's world, delivering projects on a committed time is a big challenge. We are using the most modern project management technology for scheduling, checking and organizing the feedback systems.

DS: What is it that differentiates you from other architects in this part of the world?

GM: Our firm brings with it a legacy of 30 years, with a diverse portfolio of commercial, residential, hospitality, institutional, infrastructure, interiors, urban planning and industrial projects across the country. This gives our clients a glimpse of our all-round capabilities, as well as a glimpse of our core skills, expertise and team talent.

DS: What major emerging trends do you see in recent times in Indian real estate?

GM: In the next couple of years, we will see a revolution in the demand for low-cost housing, arising from the rapid growth in tier II and tier III cities and the rapidly growing boundaries of the urban landscape.