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यह एक स्वतंत्र परियोजना है, जो सरकार की आधिकारिक करियर-मार्गदर्शन सामग्री पर आधारित है। · An independent project based on the Government's official career-guidance content.

1 About this career

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2 At a glance

Min. qualification	Class 12 (PCM) + 5-year B.Arch
Work mode	Office/studio design work plus on-site visits
Demand (2026)	Steady and growing with urbanisation and construction
Top earning	₹30-40+ lakh/yr (principal / own firm)

3 What you need

INTERESTS

- Interest in buildings and design
- Problem-solving and planning
- Drawing and creative imagination

ABILITIES

- Spatial (3D) thinking and visualisation
- Attention to detail and patience
- Strong maths and geometry sense

KEY SKILLS

- Technical drafting with AutoCAD
- 3D modelling and rendering (SketchUp, 3ds Max)
- Maths, geometry and structural knowledge
- Teamwork and communication
- Revit and BIM software
- Design and aesthetic sense
- Freehand sketching and presentation

4 How to get there

- 1 Pass Class 12 with Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics (PCM), minimum 50% marks.
- 2 Clear the NATA or JEE Main Paper 2 (B.Arch) entrance exam.
- 3 Complete a 5-year B.Arch degree from a COA-approved college.
- 4 Register with the Council of Architecture (COA) after the degree.
- 5 Gain internship/experience at a firm, then practise independently.
- 6 Optional: M.Arch for specialisation (urban/landscape design, etc.).

MAIN EXAMS

- NATA — the B.Arch aptitude test conducted by the Council of Architecture.
- JEE Main Paper 2 (B.Arch) — for admission to NITs like MNIT.
- GATE — for admission to M.Arch (postgraduate) programmes.

5 Where to study

GOVERNMENT INSTITUTES

- MNIT Jaipur — Department of Architecture & Planning — Jaipur (https://mnit.ac.in/dept_arch/)
- School of Planning and Architecture (SPA), New Delhi — New Delhi (<https://www.spa.ac.in/>)
- IIT Roorkee — Department of Architecture and Planning — Roorkee (<https://iitr.ac.in/>)

PRIVATE INSTITUTES

- Aayojan School of Architecture — Jaipur (<https://www.aayojan.edu.in/>)
- Manipal University Jaipur — B.Arch — Jaipur (<https://www.jaipur.manipal.edu/fosta/bachelor-of-architecture.php>)
- Poornima University — Faculty of Planning & Architecture — Jaipur (<https://poornima.edu.in/admissions/ug/faculty-of-planning-and-architecture/barch/>)

FEES

B.Arch fees at government institutes (MNIT, SPA, IIT) are roughly ₹50,000–₹2 lakh per year, while private colleges typically charge around ₹1.5–5 lakh per year.

SCHOLARSHIPS

- National Scholarship Portal (NSP) (<https://scholarships.gov.in/>)

6 What the work is like

WHERE YOU WORK

Most work happens in a design office or studio on a computer, combined with regular visits to construction sites for inspection.

WORK CULTURE

Team-based work with coordination between clients and contractors; project deadlines can mean long hours at times.

WHO HIRES

- Architecture design firms
- Government departments (PWD, urban development)
- Urban planning and consultancy organisations
- Real estate and construction companies
- Interior and design studios
- Own architecture firm / independent practice

DEMAND (2026)

Demand for architects in India is steadily growing due to rapid urbanisation, smart-city projects and a push for sustainable construction.

7 Career growth

- 1 Architectural assistant / intern
- 2 Architect (registered)
- 3 Senior / project architect
- 4 Principal architect / own firm

EARNINGS

Starting	₹2-4 लाख/वर्ष
Mid level	₹5-8 लाख/वर्ष
Senior level	₹15-30+ लाख/वर्ष

Earnings depend on experience, software skills, city and specialisation; a successful own firm can earn ₹30–40 lakh+ per year.

8 The good parts · The challenges

The good parts

- A career that uses both creativity and technology
- Pride of seeing your designs become real buildings
- Opportunity to run your own firm or work abroad

The challenges

- Long 5-year study and mandatory COA registration
- Long, stressful hours near project deadlines
- Starting salary is relatively low

9 Real-life journeys

Balkrishna Vitthal Das Doshi (B. V. Doshi)

Architect — 2018 Pritzker Prize laureate

From a modest background, Doshi worked with Le Corbusier and Louis Kahn, then designed affordable housing, schools and institutions across India. In 2018 he became the first Indian to win the Pritzker Prize, architecture's highest honour.

The Pritzker Architecture Prize · <https://www.pritzkerprize.com/laureates/balkrishna-doshi>

Brinda Somaya

Principal architect, Somaya and Kalappa Consultants (Mumbai)

Brinda Somaya is one of India's leading women architects. Her practice spans institutions, corporate campuses and the conservation of heritage buildings, and she has championed the role of women in architecture.

Harvard Business School — Creating Emerging Markets · <https://www.hbs.edu/creating-emerging-markets/interviews/Pages/profile.aspx?profile=bsomaya>

10 Sources & further reading

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4. National Career Service — <https://www.ncs.gov.in/>
5. National Scholarship Portal — <https://scholarships.gov.in/>



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