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RESILIENT, AFFORDABLE AND COMFORTABLE HOUSING THROUGH NATIONAL ACTION

## Innovative Construction Technologies & Thermal Comfort for Affordable Housing

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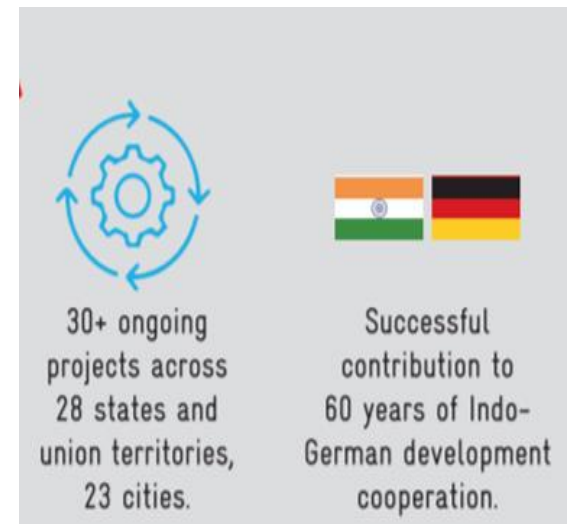
## Introduction - GIZ

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- ☐ Environment, Preservation, and Sustainable Use of Natural Resources
- ☐ Sustainable Urban & Industrial Development
- ☐ Sustainable Economic Development



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- Integration of Renewable Energies into the Indian Electricity System
- Indo-German Solar Partnership – PVRT
- Promotion of Solar Water Pumps
- Indo-German Energy Programme – Green Energy Corridors
- Energy Efficiency in Buildings Programme
- Indo-German Energy Programme – Energy Efficiency



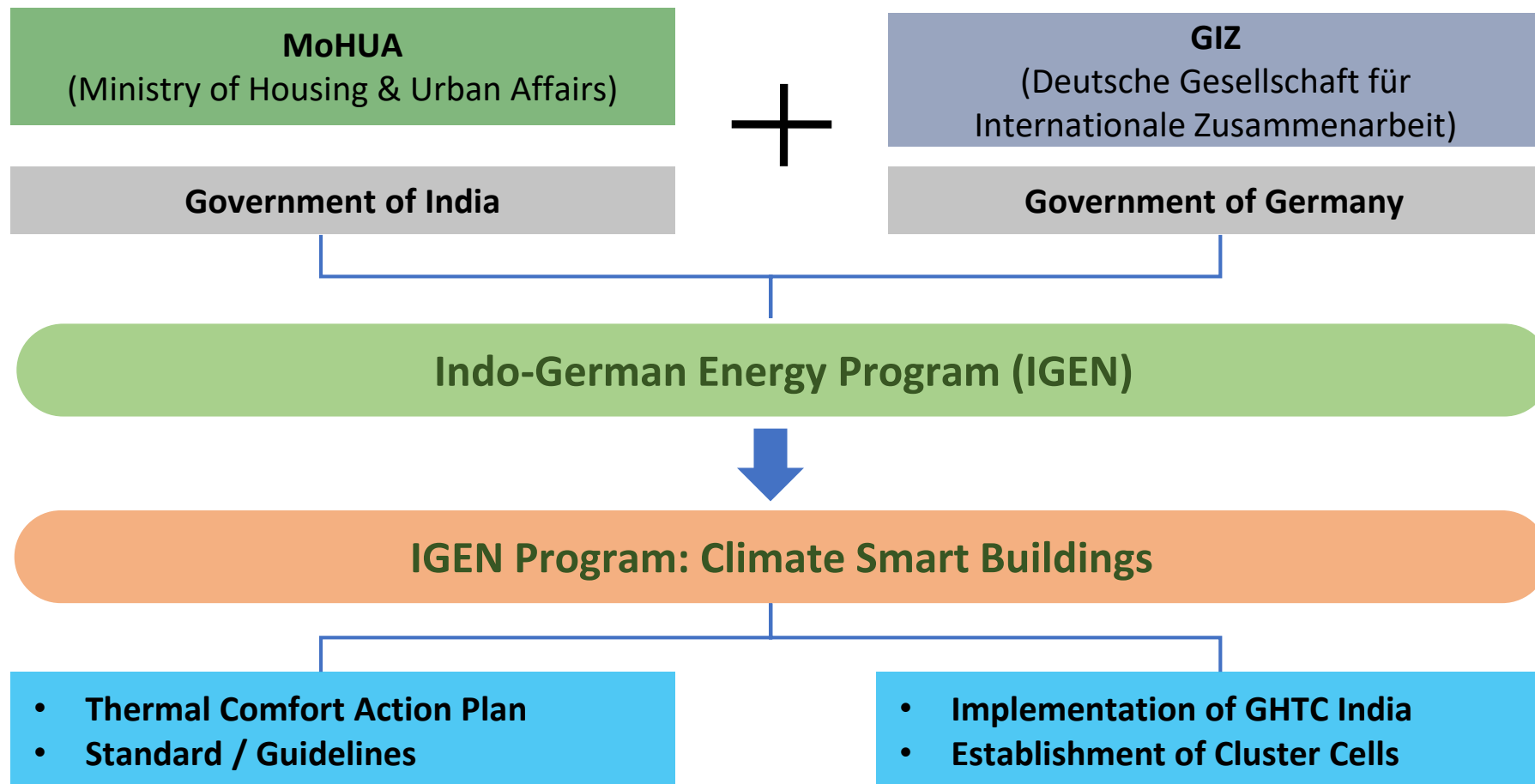
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- Sustainable and Environment-friendly Industrial Production
- Support to Ganga Rejuvenation
- Integrated and Sustainable Urban Transport Systems for Smart Cities in India
- Sustainable Urban Development – Smart Cities
- Climate Smart Cities



## MoHUA + GIZ



## Introduction – Climate Smart Buildings Cell

## GIZ Climate Smart Buildings Cell (CSB cell)

**Light House Project –  
Implementation  
Monitoring & Evaluation**

**Technical Assistance to  
DHPs & AHRCs**

**GIZ Climate Smart Building Cell (CSB)**

**Inclusion of Thermal  
Comfort requirements in  
Bye-laws**

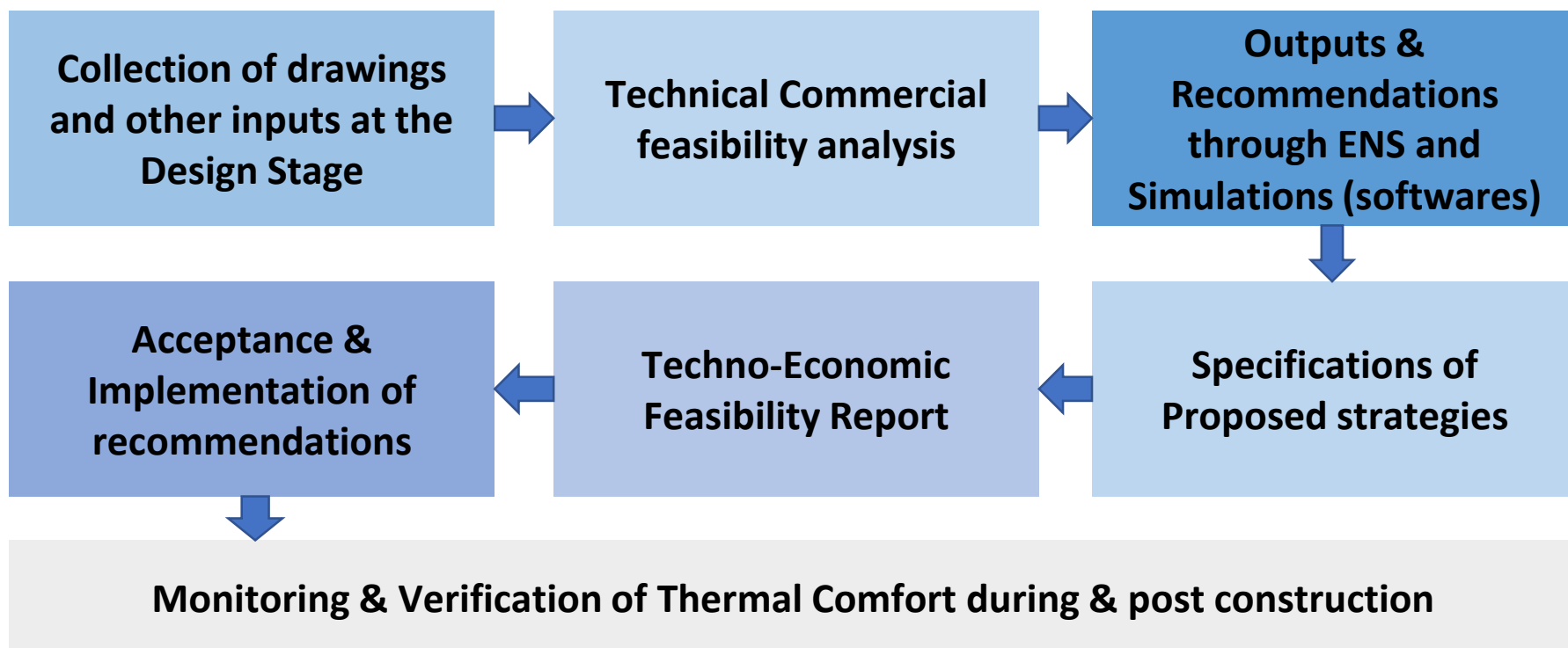
**Capacity Building of  
Stakeholders**

South Cluster Cell covers

- ☐ **Tamilnadu**
- ☐ **Andhra Pradesh**
- ☐ **Karnataka**
- ☐ **Kerala**
- ☐ **Puducherry**
- ☐ **Andaman & Nicobar**
- ☐ **Lakshadweep**

## Demonstration Housing Project (DHPs)

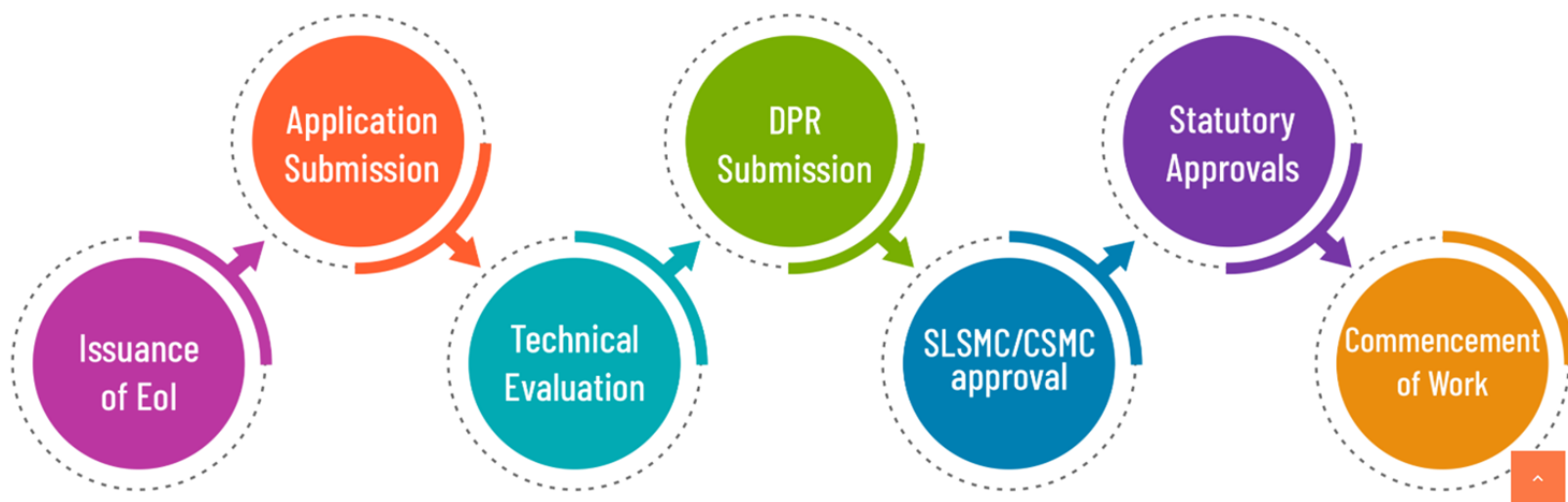
To showcase the field level application of new / alternate technologies, **MoHUA** has taken an initiative to construct Demonstration Housing Project (DHP) through **Building Materials & Technology Promotion Council (BMTPC)** as a part of Technology Sub-Mission under **PMAY(U)**.



## ARHCs

- COVID-19 pandemic has resulted in **reverse migration** of urban migrants/ poor in the country. They need **decent rental housing** at affordable rate at their work sites.
- In order to address this need, **Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs** has initiated **Affordable Rental Housing Complexes (ARHCs)**, a sub-scheme under Pradhan Mantri AWAS Yojana- Urban (**PMAY-U**).
- Scheme will be implemented in 2 models: **Model 1** (Utilizing vacant Gov. houses)

### MODEL-2



## RACHNA 1.0 & 2.0



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# RACHNA 2.0

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Trainings & workshops on innovative construction technologies & Thermal comfort for Affordable Housing

IMPACT

75  
TRAININGS

5142  
Stakeholders trained

113  
TRAINING DAYS

1199  
Government  
Officials trained

1322  
Practitioners trained

36000+  
TECHNOGRAHIS  
ENGAGED

12  
design  
COMPETITIONS ORGANISED

39  
Expert trainers engaged

12 Academic  
Institutions involved

1638  
Students trained

983  
Construction  
workers trained



## Session 1: Innovative Construction Technologies of LHPs, Study & Observations



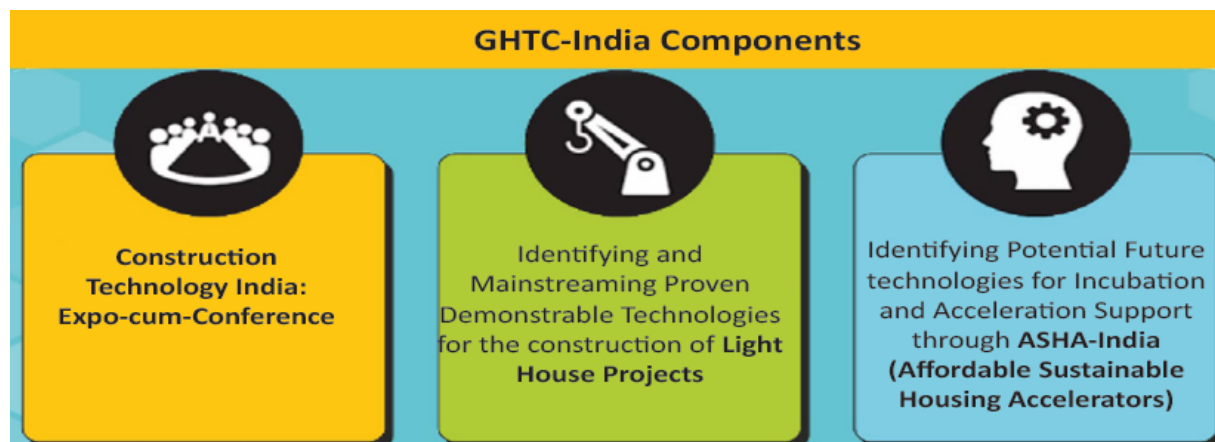
## Global Housing Technology Challenge - India

**MoHUA** has initiated the **Global Housing Technology Challenge-India (GHTC-India)** which aims to identify and mainstream a basket of innovative construction technologies from across the globe for housing construction sector that are sustainable, eco-friendly and disaster-resilient.

They are to be cost effective and speedier while enabling the quality construction of houses, meeting diverse geo-climatic conditions and desired functional needs.

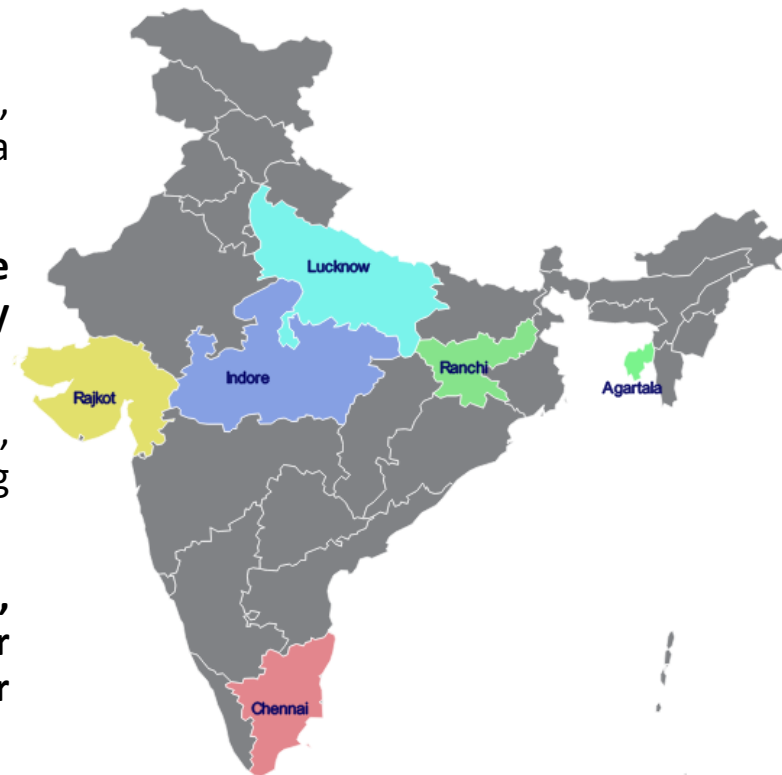
MoHUA, through a **Technical Evaluation Committee (TEC)**, shortlisted **54 innovative** proven technologies suiting different geo-climatic conditions that could be considered for demonstration through actual ground implementation of six Light House Projects (LHP) in six different States/UTs of PMAY(U) regions across the country.

**Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi** laid the foundation stone of these LHPs on January 1, 2021



## Light House Project

- **Model housing projects with approximately 1,000 houses built with shortlisted alternate technology suitable to the geo-climatic and hazard conditions of the region.**
- Demonstrate and deliver ready to live houses with speed, economy and with better quality of construction in a sustainable manner.
- **Period of construction is maximum 12 months from the date of handing over of sites to the construction agency after all statutory approvals.**
- LHPs shall serve as LIVE Laboratories for planning, design, production of components, construction practices, testing etc.
- **Site infrastructure development such as internal roads, pathways, common green area, boundary wall, water supply, sewerage, drainage, rain water harvesting, solar lighting, external electrification, etc.**
- **Incentives for early completion.**



## Light House Projects

As a part of **GHTC- India**, six Light House Projects (LHP) consisting of about 1,000 houses each with physical & social infrastructure facilities is being constructed at six places across the country namely

1. Indore
2. Rajkot
3. Chennai
4. Ranchi
5. Agartala
6. Lucknow

These projects will showcase the use of the six distinct shortlisted innovative technologies for field level application, learning and replication. LHPs will demonstrate and deliver ready to live mass housing at an expedited pace as compared to conventional brick and mortar construction and will be more economical, sustainable, of high quality and durability. These projects shall serve as Live laboratories for all stakeholders including R & D leading to the successful transfer of technologies from the lab to the field



## Light House Project

Six Technology providers have been selected through a rigorous online bidding process for construction of Light House Projects (LHPs) at six different locations in six states.

**1. Precast Concrete Construction System - 3D  
Precast volumetric**



**2. Precast Concrete Construction System -  
Precast components assembled at site**



**3. Light Gauge Steel Structural System &  
Pre-engineered Steel Structural System**



**4. Prefabricated Sandwich Panel System**



**5. Monolithic Concrete Construction**



**6. Stay In Place Formwork System**





## LHP Indore

### Prefabricated Sandwich Panel System

- Factory made Prefabricated Sandwich Panel System is made out of cement or calcium silicate boards and cement mortar with EPS granules balls, and act as wall panels.
- These replace conventional brick & mortar walling construction practices and can be used as load-bearing and non-load bearing walling for residential and commercial buildings.
- Under this LHP, houses are being constructed using Prefabricated Sandwich Panel System with Pre-Engineered Steel Structural System.
- In this system the EPS Cement Panels are manufactured at the factory in controlled condition, which are then dispatched to the site. The panels having tongue and groove are joint together for construction of the building.

Number of Houses : 1024



## LHP Rajkot

### Monolithic Concrete Construction using Tunnel Formwork

- In 'TunnelForm' technology, concrete walls and slabs are cast in one go at site giving monolithic structure using high-precision, re-usable, room-sized, Steel forms or moulds.
- The system intends to replace the conventional RCC Beam-Column structure which uses steel/plywood shuttering.
- 'TunnelForm' system uses customized engineered steel formwork consisting of two half shells which are placed together and then concreting is done to form a room size module. Several such modules make an apartment.

#### Construction Process:

- Stripping of the formwork from the previous day.
- Positioning of the formwork for the current day's phase, with the installation of mechanical, electrical and plumbing services.
- Installation of reinforcement in the walls and slabs.
- Concreting

**Number of Houses : 1144**



## LHP Chennai

### Precast Concrete Construction System – Precast Components Assembled at Site

- Precast concrete construction is a system where the individual precast components such as walls, slabs, stairs, column, beam etc, of building are manufactured in plant or casting yard in controlled conditions. The finished components are then transported to site, erected & installed.
- The construction process comprises of manufacturing of precast concrete Columns, Beams and Slabs in steel moulds.
- The reinforcement cages are placed at the required position in the moulds. Concrete is poured and compaction of concrete is done by shutter/ needle vibrator.
- Casted components are then moved to stacking yard where curing is done for required time. These precast components are installed at site by crane and assembled together through in-situ jointing and/or grouting etc.

**Number of Houses : 1152**



Ground Floor Column Work in Progress - March 2021



First Floor Column & Beam Erection - May 2021

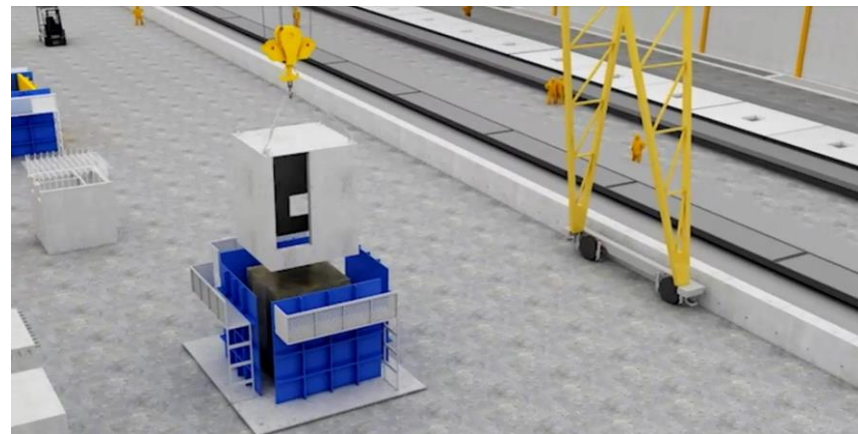


## LHP Ranchi

### Precast Concrete Construction System – 3D Volumetric

- 3D Volumetric concrete construction is the modern method of building by which solid precast concrete structural modules like room, toilet, kitchen, bathroom, stairs etc. & any combination of these are cast monolithically in Plant or Casting yard in a controlled condition.
- These Modules are transported, erected & installed using cranes and push-pull jacks and are integrated together in the form of complete building unit.
- Factory finished building units/modules are installed at the site with the help of tower cranes. Gable end walls are positioned to terminate the sides of building.
- Pre stressed slabs are then installed as flooring elements. Rebar mesh is finally placed for structural screed thereby connecting all the elements together. Consecutive floors are built in similar manner to complete the structure.

Number of Houses : 1008



## LHP Agartala

### Light Gauge Steel Structural System & Pre-engineered Steel Structural System

- Light Gauge Steel Frame (LGSF) System uses factory made galvanized light gauge steel components. LGSF is used in combination with pre-engineered steel structural system for buildings above G+3 for longevity, speedier construction, strength and resource efficiency.
- The sequence of construction comprises of foundation laying, fixing of Pre-Engineered Steel Structural System, fixing of tracks, fixing of wall panels with bracings as required, fixing of floor panels, decking sheet, fixing of electrical & plumbing services and finally fixing of concrete walling panels with light weight concrete as infill.
- The other options of dry walling components such as sandwich panels with insulation material in between can also be used. Similarly, the floors can either be by composite slab/deck slabs/precast hollow core slabs as per the need & requirements.

Number of Houses : 1000



## LHP Lucknow

### PVC Stay In Place Formwork System

- Plant manufactured rigid poly-vinyl chloride (PVC) based polymer components serve as a permanent stay-in-place finished form-work for concrete walls. The formwork System being used acts as pre-finished walls requiring no plaster and can be constructed instantly.
- Construction is done in a sequential manner where at first, the Prefabricated PVC Wall panels and Pre-Engineered Steel Structural Sections as per the design are transported to the Site.
- Then, these Sections are erected on the prepared foundation using cranes and required connections. Floor is installed using decking sheet. Once the structural frame and floor is installed and aligned, wall panels are fixed on decking floor.
- The pre-fabricated walling panels having provisions of holes for services conduits, are fixed along with the reinforcement & cavities inside the wall panels are filled with concrete. Upon installment of wall panels, flooring and ceiling, the finishing work is executed.

**Number of Houses : 1040**





## Light House Project : CHENNAI

TECHNOLOGY SELECTED:

**Precast Concrete Construction System – Precast Components Assembled at Site**

**AGENCY: M/s B.G. Shirke Construction Technology Pvt. Ltd.**

**No. of Towers: 12**

**No. of Houses: 1128**

**No. of Floors: 6**



## Light House Project : CHENNAI

### Project Brief

**Location of Project :** Nukkampalayam Road, Chennai, Tamil Nadu

**No. of DUs :** 1,152 (G+5)

**Plot area :** 29,222 sq.mt.

**Carpet area of each DU :** 26.78 sq.mt.

**Total built up area :** 43439.76 sq.m

**Technology being used :** Precast Concrete Construction System - 3S System

**Other provisions :** Anganwadi, shops, milk booth, library and ration shop.

### Broad Specifications:

- Foundation RCC isolated footing
- Structural Frame RCC precast beam/columns
- Walling AAC Blocks Floor Slabs/Roofing RCC precast

### Door Frame/ Shutters:

- Pressed steel door frame with flush shutters
- PVC door frame with PVC Shutters in toilets.
- Window Frame/ Shutter
- uPVC frame with glazed panel and wire mesh shutters.

### Flooring:

- Vitrified tile flooring in Rooms & Kitchen
- Anti-skid ceramic tiles in bath & WC
- Kota stone Flooring in the Common area & Staircase steps.





## Light House Project : CHENNAI



Description	Unit	Length	Width	Area
Hall	Sqmt	3.175	3.025	9.60
Kitchen	Sqmt	1.8	2.8	5.04
Bed Room	Sqmt	2.725	2.528	7.70
Bed Room Offset	Sqmt	0.9	0.2	0.18
Bath Room	Sqmt	1	1.4	1.4
W.C	Sqmt	0.9	1.55	1.395
Passage	Sqmt	1	1.2	1.2
Kitchen Opening	Sqmt	0.9	0.1	0.09
Door 1	Sqmt	1	0.15	0.15
Door 2	Sqmt	0.9	0.1	0.09
Door 3	Sqmt	0.75	0.1	0.075
Column Deduction	Sqmt			0.22
Total Carpet Area				26.78



## Light House Project : CHENNAI

### Precast concrete construction

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- Concrete is poured and compaction of concrete is done by shutter/ needle vibrator.
- Casted components are then moved to the stacking yard where curing is done for required time and then these components are ready for transportation and erection at site.
- These precast components are installed at site by crane and assembled together through in-situ jointing and/or grouting etc.





## Light House Project : CHENNAI

### Special Features

- Nearly all components of building work are manufactured in plant/casting yard & the jointing of components is done In-situ leading to reduction in construction time.
- The controlled factory environment brings resource optimization, improved quality, precision & finish.
- The concrete can be designed as industrial by-products such as Fly Ash, Ground granulated blast furnace slag (GGBFS), Micro silica etc. resulting in improved workability & durability, while also conserving natural resources.
- Helps in keeping a neat & clean construction site and dust free environment.
- Optimum use of water through recycling.
- Use of shuttering & scaffolding materials is minimal.
- All weather construction & better site organization.



## Efficiency in Construction

### LHP Chennai – 3S Precast system

- **Timeline** - Completed 1152 dwelling units & external infrastructure within 12 months amidst covid & heavy rains in Chennai
- **Reduced use of Natural Resources** - Concrete mixed with industrial by-product Ground granulated blast furnace slag (GGBFS) while also conserving natural resources. Optimum use of water through recycling & use of sprinkler for curing precast components.
- **Use of Recycled materials** - Concrete mixed with industrial by-product Ground granulated blast furnace slag (GGBFS). Usage of AAC blocks. Window glazing from Saint gobain with 18% recycled contents.
- **Use of Low Carbon technology** – Reduced timeline & labor aids to less carbon footprint during construction
- **Manpower management** – With less dependency on labors, construction works carried out during covid times with help of machineries.



## Mainstreaming & replication of Technology

### LHP Chennai – 3S Precast system

- **Cost of technology** - LHP technology of Chennai is 20% costlier than conventional technology. The cost of setting up a factory for casting elements will be null by the factor of scalability of the project or repetitive use of the precast moulds used.
- **Quality of construction** - LHP Chennai has 25% better quality than conventional construction due to factory made components reducing man made errors & unskilled labors.
- **Speed of construction** – 3 units per day was constructed at LHP.
- **Design flexibility** – Typical design can be completed at ease but flexibility of design is difficult as all components are precast.
- **Skilled labor requirement** – Almost 75% additionally skilled labors are required than the conventional construction technology.



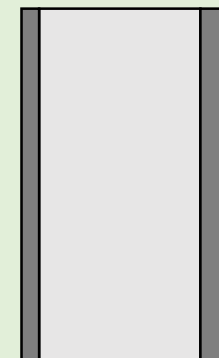
## ENS Part 1 & Thermal Comfort analysis for the LHP Chennai

## LHP Site - Thermal Features

- 150mm AAC block is used for Masonry work & 100mm AAC block is used for internal partitions

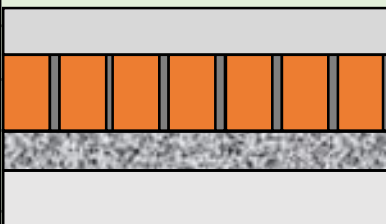
20mm Plaster + 150mm AAC block + 12mm Plaster

External Wall Assembly							
Layer no.	Material	Density (kg/m <sup>3</sup> )	Specific Heat (kJ/kg.K)	Thickness (m)	Conductivity (W/m-K)	R value m <sup>2</sup> K/W	Source
1	Interior surface film resistance	-	-	-	7.700	0.130	ENS 2018
2	Internal cement Plaster	1762	0.840	0.012	0.721	0.017	ENS 2018
3	AAC Block	642	1.240	0.150	0.184	0.815	ENS 2018
4	External cement Plaster	1762	0.840	0.020	0.721	0.028	ENS 2018
5	Exterior surface film resistance	-	-	-	25.000	0.040	ENS 2018
U value of assembly (W/m <sup>2</sup> K)						0.97	



## LHP Site Thermal Features

- 305mm RCC wall is used for Roof. Brick bat koba is used as weathering course.

Roof Assembly								Roof section
Layer no.	Material	Density (kg/m <sup>3</sup> )	Specific Heat (kJ/kg.K)	Thickness (m)	Conductivity (W/m-K)	R value m <sup>2</sup> K/W	Source	
1	Interior Surface film resistance	-	-	-	5.900	0.169	ENS 2018	
2	Precast slab (RCC)	2288	NA	0.075	1.580	0.047	ENS 2018	
3	Screeding (RCC)	2288	0.920	0.055	1.580	0.035	ENS 2018	
4	BrickBat	1440	NA	0.100	0.620	0.161	ENS 2018	
5	External cement mortar	1648	0.840	0.075	0.719	0.104	ENS 2018	
6	Exterior Surface film resistance	-	-	-	25.000	0.040	ENS 2018	
U value of assembly (W/m <sup>2</sup> K)						1.79		

- According to ENS code, U value of roof should be within **1.2 W/sqmK**
- Inclusion of 25 mm EPS overdeck insulation would make the roof comply with ENS codes

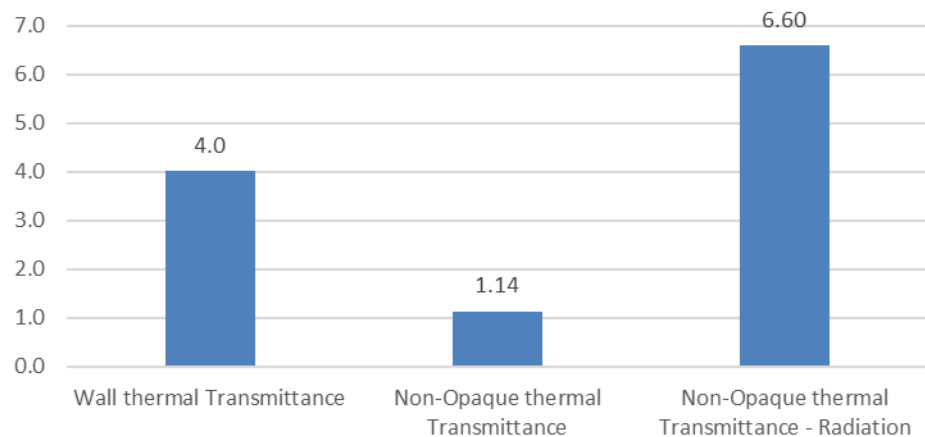
## LHP Site Analysis

ENS Compliance Parameters	Achieved		ENS Requirement	Compliance Status
	Building 1	Building 5		
Openable Window to Floor Area Ratio ( $WFR_{op}$ )	26.59	26.59	$\geq 16.66 \%$	Complied
Visible Light Transmittance (VLT)	0.89	0.89	$\geq 0.27$	Complied
Thermal Transmittance of Roof ( $U_{roof}$ )	1.8	1.8	$\leq 1.2 \text{ W/m}^2 \cdot \text{K}$	Not Complied
Residential Envelope Transmittance Value (RETV)	11.8	14.1	$\leq 15 \text{ W/m}^2 \cdot \text{K}$	Complied

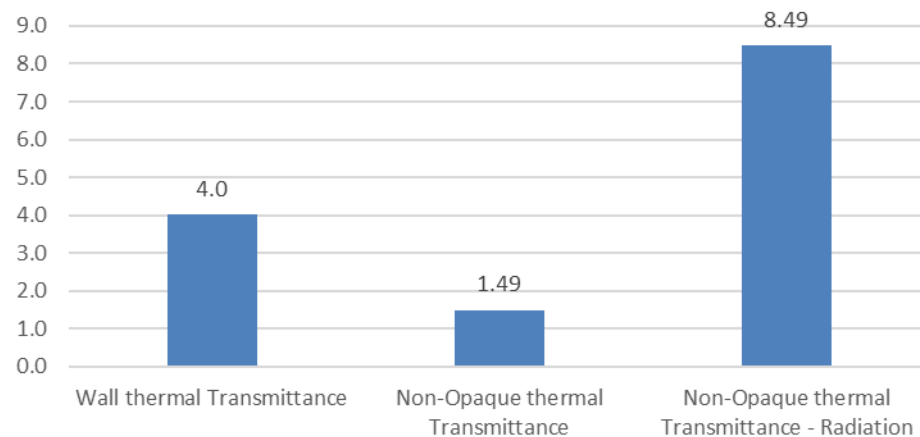


## LHP Site Analysis

Building 1 Envelope Contribution for Thermal Transmittance in W/sqm.k



Building 5 Envelope Contribution for Thermal Transmittance in W/sqm.k



## Light House Project (LHP), Chennai

### Discomfort Hour Percentage

#### LHP Project Building 1 ( North - South)

Building 1									
	Ground floor			Middle floor			Top floor		
	Bedroom	Living	Kitchen	Bedroom	Living	Kitchen	Bedroom	Living	Kitchen
Jan	87%	87%	52%	100%	92%	69%	100%	98%	69%
Feb	57%	84%	51%	94%	91%	68%	96%	96%	69%
Mar	51%	68%	51%	80%	89%	63%	85%	90%	67%
Apr	97%	90%	77%	100%	100%	89%	100%	100%	91%
May	94%	91%	92%	99%	96%	94%	100%	98%	95%
Jun	85%	67%	70%	94%	88%	78%	96%	91%	80%
Jul	80%	60%	67%	93%	82%	71%	94%	88%	71%
Aug	98%	78%	72%	100%	97%	74%	100%	98%	75%
Sep	92%	80%	66%	99%	94%	80%	99%	95%	81%
Oct	55%	60%	40%	74%	69%	46%	81%	71%	52%
Nov	54%	63%	44%	84%	75%	49%	89%	78%	58%
Dec	63%	67%	33%	95%	82%	48%	97%	90%	53%

## Light House Project (LHP), Chennai

### Discomfort Hour Percentage

#### LHP Project Building 5 ( East - West)

Building 5									
	Ground floor			Middle floor			Top floor		
	Bedroom	Living	Kitchen	Bedroom	Living	Kitchen	Bedroom	Living	Kitchen
Jan	99%	98%	66%	100%	100%	72%	100%	100%	72%
Feb	87%	92%	62%	100%	100%	77%	100%	100%	79%
Mar	60%	95%	61%	99%	99%	72%	100%	100%	76%
Apr	100%	100%	84%	100%	100%	96%	100%	100%	96%
May	100%	100%	92%	100%	100%	94%	100%	100%	96%
Jun	98%	92%	74%	100%	99%	82%	100%	100%	86%
Jul	99%	92%	69%	100%	96%	73%	100%	97%	76%
Aug	100%	100%	74%	100%	100%	81%	100%	100%	82%
Sep	99%	99%	72%	100%	100%	87%	100%	100%	88%
Oct	76%	75%	42%	88%	88%	53%	92%	89%	57%
Nov	86%	82%	47%	92%	91%	58%	97%	94%	60%
Dec	94%	86%	46%	100%	96%	55%	100%	99%	62%

## Light House Project (LHP), Chennai

### Percentage of occupied hours that meets IMAC Adaptive thermal comfort Range

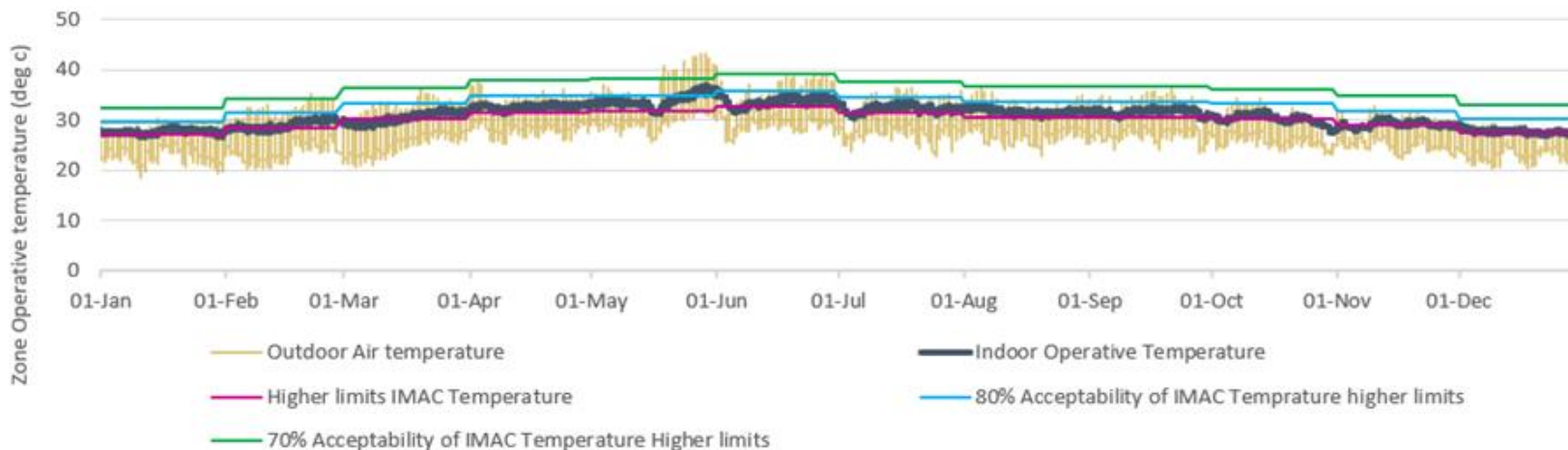
IMAC Temperature		
Month	Min	Max
January	22.31	27.07
February	23.75	28.51
March	25.52	30.28
April	26.8	31.56
May	27.06	31.82
June	27.89	32.65
July	26.67	31.43
August	25.86	30.62
September	25.82	30.58
October	25.44	30.2
November	24.17	28.93
December	22.7	27.46

Zone name	Building 5			Building 1		
	Ground floor	Middle floor	Top Floor	Ground floor	Middle floor	Top Floor
<b>Percentage of Occupied hours within 90% acceptability limits</b>						
Bedroom	8%	2%	1%	24%	7%	5%
Living	7%	2%	2%	25%	12%	9%
Kitchen	34%	25%	23%	40%	31%	28%
<b>Percentage of Occupied hours within 80% acceptability limits</b>						
Bedroom	97%	57%	34%	99%	84%	72%
Living	92%	41%	26%	98%	84%	66%
Kitchen	88%	77%	62%	88%	82%	71%
<b>Percentage of Occupied hours within 70% acceptability limits</b>						
Bedroom	100%	97%	92%	100%	99%	97%
Living	100%	95%	82%	100%	99%	98%
Kitchen	99%	98%	96%	99%	98%	97%

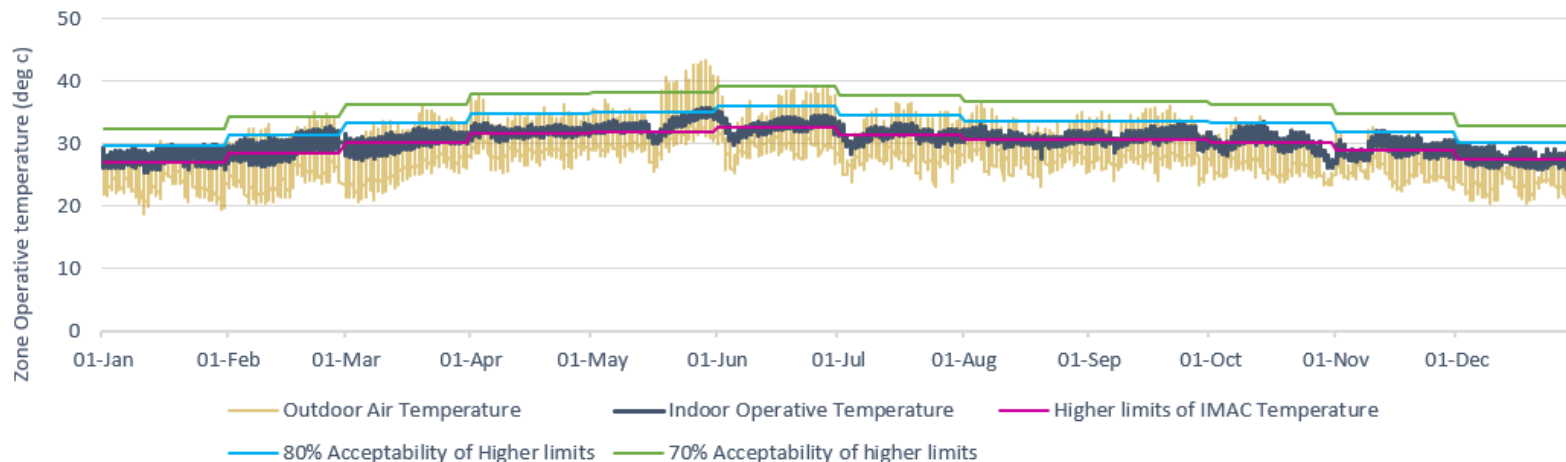
## Case Study : Light House Project (LHP), Chennai

### LHP Project Building 1 ( North - South)

Building 1 - GF Bedroom



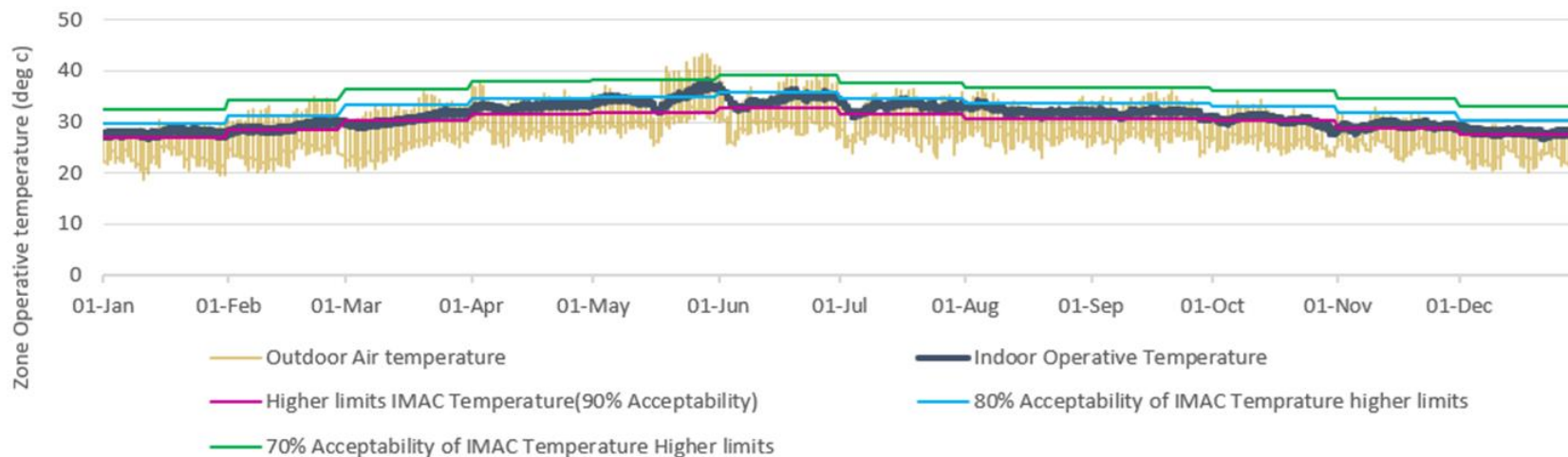
Building 1 - GF Living Room



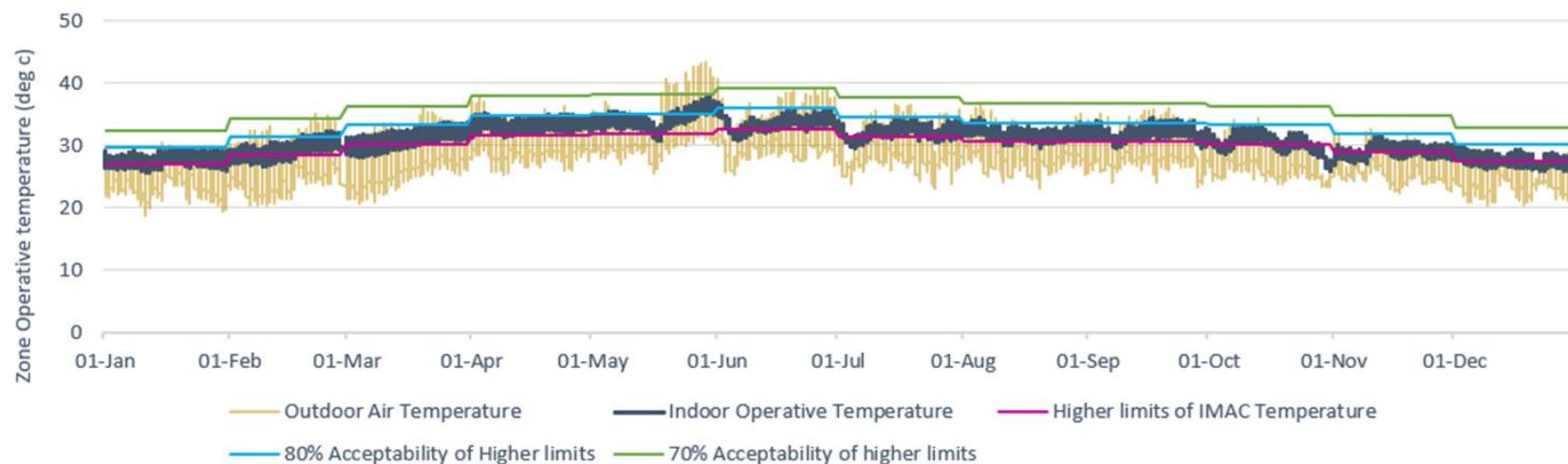
## Case Study : Light House Project (LHP), Chennai

### LHP Project Building 5 ( East - West)

#### Building 5 - GF Bedroom



#### Building 5 - GF Living Room



## Thermal Comfort Improvement through Passive Measures

1. Large Window opening size
2. Cross ventilation
3. Shading for windows
4. Ventilator above Main door
5. EPS insulation – Under deck (At least 25 mm Thick)

## LHP Site Thermal Improvements

- Dwelling units have two panel sliding window system for Living, Bedroom & kitchen openings
- Sliding windows open up only to 50% of Openable area



- Instead of using Sliding windows, **Casement windows** can provide opening up to 90% of Openable area
- This increase the quantity of fresh natural air comes into the space & aids to thermal comfort of occupants



## DHP Dubrayapet, Puducherry

## Introduction to Dubrayapet Project



Location of Dubrayapet site in Google map (11°55'7.87"N,79°49'49.01"E)

### Location of Dubrayapet Site

- The project proposal involves development of 80 low-income housing units in a plot area of 1950Sqm adhering to the various norms of the government.
- The main road is around 450 meters from the site.
- In the proposed site the building covers the plinth area /plot coverage of 31.4%. The FAR (floor Area Ratio) achieved for the said 80 dwelling units project is 1.56 which is within the permissible limit of Puducherry Planning Authority bye- law.
- The said dwelling units fulfill all present bye laws of the line departments such Electricity, fire, Public Works department, municipality, traffic etc
- The petty shops within the premises are accomplished for the benefits of the occupants and nearby communities. Effective disposal of greywater to the Sewage treatment plant present in close proximity.
- The accumulated household wise waste is segregated with separate collecting units at source.

## Project Needs

- Necessitate low-income housing for 80-90 families to have a safe all weather withstanding dwelling unit. With the possibilities to harness renewable energy through solar rooftop for the high-rise structure.
- Provide a Pucca dwelling unit for the habitants with below poverty level without need to spend for retrofitting pre and post monsoon seasons.
- To provide individual toilets to all dwelling units to improve sanitation levels by routing grey water to the nearby Sewage Treatment Plant.
- Precise day to day segregation and disposal of garbage and solid wastes of all dwelling units at the proposed site.

S.NO	STAKEHOLDER	ROLE
1.	Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA)	Provision of funding for CITIIS projects
2.	National Institute of Urban Affairs (NIUA)	Handholding and rolling out of CITIIS Challenge Initiative and appointment of mentors
3.	Puducherry Smart City Development Limited (PSCDL)	Nodal Agency , Tender Inviting and Tender Receiving Authority and Project Executing Authority
4.	Technical Committee	Review and approval of Tender Documents

*Key Stakeholders in the Dubrayapet project*

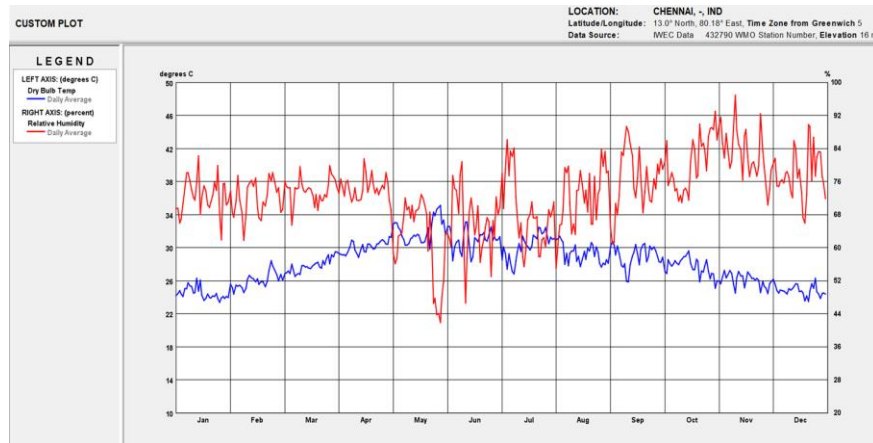
## Eco Niwas Samhita (ENS) - Part 1

Eco Niwas Samhita (ENS) (Part I: Building Envelope) is a residential energy code that has been prepared to set minimum building envelope performance standards to limit heat gains (for cooling dominated climates) and to limit heat loss (for heating-dominated climates), as well as for ensuring adequate natural ventilation and daylighting potential.

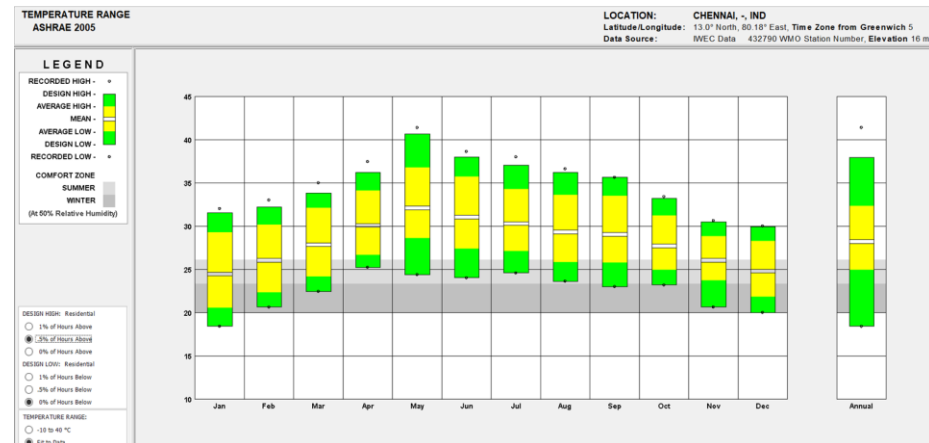
ENS Compliance Parameters	Achieved	ENS Requirement	Compliance Status
	Base Case: Building 1 & 2		
Openable Window to Floor Area Ratio (WFR <sub>op</sub> )	8.37 %	≥ 16.66 %	Not Complied
Visible Light Transmittance (VLT)	0.51	≥ 0.27	Complied
Thermal Transmittance of Roof (U <sub>roof</sub> )	2.59 W/m <sup>2</sup> . K	≤ 1.2 W/m <sup>2</sup> . K	Not Complied
Residential Envelope Transmittance Value (RETV)	18.48 W/m <sup>2</sup> . K	≤ 15 W/m <sup>2</sup> . K	Not Complied

*ENS compliance for Dubrayapet project*

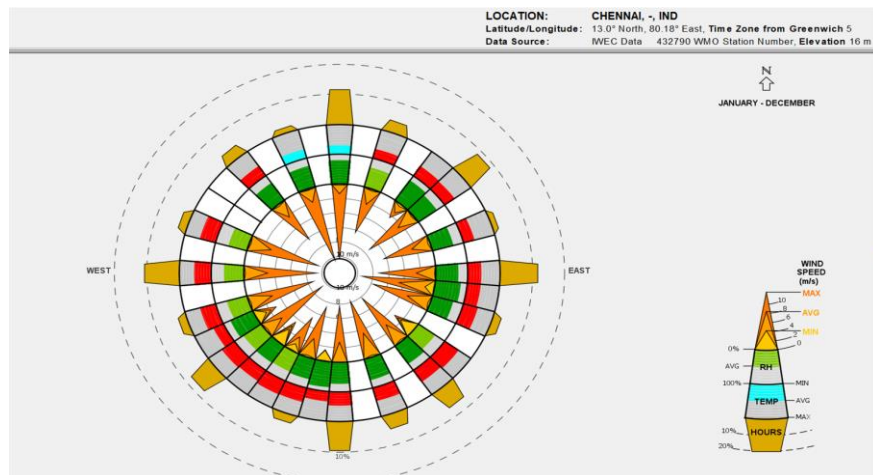
## Climate Analysis - Puducherry



Temperature and Relative Humidity



Monthly Dry Bulb Temperature (DBT) distribution

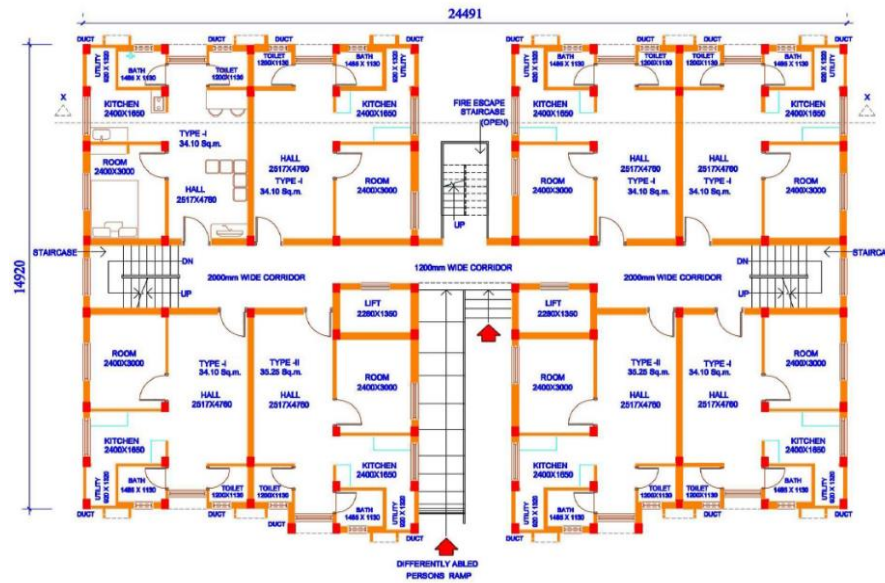


Wind Wheel

- Puducherry is placed at an altitude of 3 m.
- The Wind Wheel figure shows the wind direction is predominant in East-West at a maximum speed of 8-10 m/s, so adequate openings in this direction building should be proposed for good natural ventilation.



## Building Description & Floor Plan



*Floor Plan of Dubrayapet project*

- This project has 2 Buildings. Each building has typical 1 BHK unit. Each 1 BHK unit has 1 bedroom, 1 toilet, Hall, Bath, kitchen and a Utility. Each tower has a total of G + 4 floors. On each floor, there are 8 units.
- The building is constructed Conventional construction with Brick wall and 18mm clay tiles for roof and Lime concrete for roof RCC roof, Single glazed units with wooden frames for building is constructed Conventional construction with Brick wall and 18mm clay tiles for roof and Lime concrete for roof RCC roof, Single glazed units with wooden frames for windows.

## Cases selected for Simulation

- The project was analysed for 4 cases (Case 1, Case 2, Case 3 and Case 4) apart from the proposed construction as mentioned in the Detailed Project Report (DPR). This case is considered as the Base case.
- **Case 1:** Wall – AAC blocks; Window – Casement; Roof – Same as Base case
- **Case 2:** Wall – AAC blocks; Window – Casement window-sized modified to suit WFR requirements; Roof – Addition of 25mm EPS insulation
- **Case 3:** Wall – AAC blocks; Window – Casement + ventilators on top of windows, Glass – Single Glazed Unit with lower SHGC, Shading – Addition of vertical fins on E & W windows; Roof – Addition of 25mm EPS insulation
- **Case 4:** Wall – AAC blocks + double layer external plaster; Window – Casement + ventilators on top of windows, Glass – Single Glazed Unit with lower SHGC, Shading – Addition of vertical fins on E & W windows; Roof – Addition of 25mm EPS insulation

## Building Envelope Construction Details

Envelope Type	Base Case (As per existing DPR)	Case 1	Case 2	Case 3	Case 4
Wall	Internal Cement Mortar (12 mm) + Brick wall (230mm) + External Cement Mortar (15 mm)	Internal Cement Mortar (12 mm) + AAC wall (200mm) + External Cement Mortar (15 mm)	Internal Cement Mortar (12 mm) + AAC wall (200mm) + External Cement Mortar (15 mm)	Internal Cement Mortar (12 mm) + AAC wall (200mm) + External Cement Mortar (15 mm)	Internal Cement Mortar (12 mm) + AAC wall (200mm) + External Cement Mortar (15 mm) + External Cement Mortar (10 mm)
Roof	18mm Clay tile + 25 mm Lime concrete mortar + 150mm RCC slab + 12 mm plaster thickness	18mm Clay tile + 25 mm Lime concrete mortar + 150mm RCC slab + 12 mm plaster thickness	18mm Clay tile + 25 mm Lime concrete mortar + 25 mm EPS insulation+ 150mm RCC slab + 12 mm plaster thickness	18mm Clay tile + 25 mm Lime concrete mortar + 25 mm EPS insulation+ 150mm RCC slab + 12 mm plaster thickness	18mm Clay tile + 25 mm Lime concrete mortar + 25 mm EPS insulation+ 150mm RCC slab + 12 mm plaster thickness
Fenestration & Glazing	Wood Frame SGU with 6mm glass thickness, SHGC = 0.84, VLT = 0.89; Sliding Windows	Wood Frame SGU with 6mm glass thickness, SHGC = 0.84, VLT = 0.89; Casement Windows	Wood Frame SGU with 6mm glass thickness, SHGC = 0.84, VLT = 0.89; Casement Windows size changed, bedroom window (1.65m*1.3m)	Wood Frame SGU with 6mm glass thickness, SHGC = 0.43, VLT = 0.37; Casement Windows with Base case windows added with ventilators above window	Wood Frame SGU with 6mm glass thickness, SHGC = 0.43, VLT = 0.37; Casement Windows with Base case windows added with ventilators above window
Shading	600 mm horizontal shading device on all windows.	600 mm horizontal shading device on all windows	600 mm horizontal shading device on all windows.	600 mm horizontal shading device on all windows + vertical fins on East and West windows	600 mm horizontal shading device on all windows + vertical fins on East and West windows

## Project evaluation as per ENS compliance requirements

### Openable Window to Floor Area Ratio ( $WFR_{op}$ )

Openable window-to-floor area ratio ( $WFR_{op}$ ) indicates the potential of using external air for ventilation. Ensuring minimum  $WFR_{op}$  helps in ventilation, improvement in thermal comfort, and reduction in cooling energy.

Openable area to Floor Ratio (WFR)				
	Openable Area (m <sup>2</sup> )	Floor Area (m <sup>2</sup> )	WFR	Minimum requirement
Base case (Sliding Window)	2.7	32.26	8.37%	16.66%
Case 1 (Casement Window)	4.86	32.26	15.07%	
Case 2 (Casement window - Bedroom size modified)	5.3865	32.26	16.70%	
Case 3,4 (Casement+Ventilators)	5.94	32.26	18.41%	

Window to Floor Area Ratio (WFR)

Climate Zone	Minimum $WFR_{op}$ (%)
Composite	12.5
Hot-Dry	10
Warm-Humid	16.66
Temperate	12.5
Cold	8.33

minimum requirement of  $WFR_{op}$  as per ENS code

## Project evaluation as per ENS compliance requirements

### Visible Light Transmittance (VLT)

Visible light transmittance (VLT) of non-opaque building envelope components (transparent/translucent panels in windows, doors, ventilators, etc.), indicates the potential of using daylight. Ensuring minimum VLT helps in improving daylighting, thereby reducing the energy required for artificial lighting. The VLT requirement is applicable as per the window-to-wall ratio (WWR) of the building. WWR is the ratio of the area of non-opaque building envelope components of dwelling units to the envelope area (excluding the roof) of dwelling units.

	WWR	Minimum VLT requirement	VLT
Basecase	0.15	0.27	0.89
Case 1,2	0.15	0.27	0.89
Case 2,3	0.18	0.27	0.51

*Window to Wall area Ratio*

Window to Wall Ratio (WWR)	Minimum VLT
0-0.3	0.27
0.31-0.4	0.2
0.41-0.5	0.16
0.51-0.6	0.13
0.61-0.7	0.11

*Minimum visible light transmittance (VLT) requirement*



## Project evaluation as per ENS compliance requirements

### Thermal Transmittance of Roof

Thermal transmittance ( $U_{\text{roof}}$ ) characterizes the thermal performance of the roof of a building. Limiting the  $U_{\text{roof}}$  helps in reducing heat gains or losses from the roof, thereby improving the thermal comfort and reducing the energy required for cooling or heating. Thermal transmittance of the roof shall comply with the **maximum  $U_{\text{roof}}$  value of 1.2 W/m<sup>2</sup>. K.**

Base Case	Outside to Inside	Thickness (m)	Specific Heat (kJ/kg K)	Density (kg/m <sup>3</sup> )	Conductivity (W/mK)	R - Value (m <sup>2</sup> K / W)	U - Value (W/m <sup>2</sup> K)
Roof	Brick tile	0.018	0.88	1890	0.8	0.0225	2.640234
	Lime concrete	0.025	0.84	1762	0.721	0.03467406	
	RCC slab	0.15	0.88	2288	1.58	0.09493671	
	Cement plaster	0.012	0.84	1762	0.721	0.01664355	
	Rsi					0.17	
	Rse					0.04	
	<b>Assembly (Total)</b>					<b>0.37875432</b>	

### Thermal Transmittance of Roof for Base Case

Case 4	Outside to Inside	Thickness (m)	Specific Heat (kJ/kg K)	Density (kg/m <sup>3</sup> )	Conductivity (W/mK)	R - Value (m <sup>2</sup> K / W)	U - Value (W/m <sup>2</sup> K)
Roof	Brick Tile	0.018	0.88	1890	0.8	0.0225	0.91488
	Lime Concrete	0.025	0.84	1792	0.721	0.03467406	
	25 mm EPS insulation	0.025	1.34	24	0.035	0.71428571	
	Cement plaster	0.012	0.84	1762	0.721	0.01664355	
	RCC slab	0.15	0.88	2288	1.58	0.09493671	
	Rsi					0.17	
	Rse					0.04	
	<b>Assembly (Total)</b>					<b>1.09304004</b>	

### Thermal Transmittance of Roof for Proposed Case

## Project evaluation as per ENS compliance requirements

### Thermal Transmittance of Roof

	U- Value in W/m <sup>2</sup> K	U- Value in W/m <sup>2</sup> K -Basecase	U- Value in W/m <sup>2</sup> K - Case 1	U- Value in W/m <sup>2</sup> K Case 2	U- Value in W/m <sup>2</sup> K - Case 3	U- Value in W/m <sup>2</sup> K - Case 4
Thermal Transmittance of Roof	1.2	2.64	2.64	0.92	0.92	0.92

*U roof for all the Cases*

The current project has its roof configuration common to all buildings. **The project has attained U-value of 2.64 W/m<sup>2</sup>. K** which is higher than the prescribed limit. **Hence the building's roof configuration not complies with the ENS requirement.** A roof insulation of 25mm EPS insulation is proposed to achieve the desired thermal transmittance value. Roof insulation helps in a greater extent to reduce the heat ingress in a Warm & Humid Climate.

## Project evaluation as per ENS compliance requirements

### Residential Envelope Transmittance Value (RETV)

Residential envelope heat transmittance (RETV) is the net heat gain rate (over the cooling period) through the building envelope (excluding the roof) of the dwelling units divided by the area of the building envelope (excluding the roof) of the dwelling units.

RETV formula takes into account the following:

- Heat conduction through opaque building envelope components.
- Heat conduction through non-opaque building envelope components.
- Solar radiation through non-opaque building envelope components.

The RETV for the building envelope (except the roof) for four climate zones, namely, Composite Climate, Hot-Dry Climate, Warm-Humid Climate, and Temperate Climate, shall comply with the **maximum RETV of 15 W/m<sup>2</sup>**

## Project evaluation as per ENS compliance requirements

### Residential Envelope Transmittance Value (RETV)

Residential Envelope Transmittance Value (RETV)																		
Levels	Wall							Glass										RETV (W/m <sup>2</sup> K)
	Properties	Net Area (m <sup>2</sup> )				Effective SHGC				Window Area (m <sup>2</sup> )								
		U value	North	East	South	West	SHGC	North	East	South	West	U value	VLT	North	East	South	West	Standard
Basecase	Solid Burnt Clay Brick	2.07	14.25	16.50	0.00	0.00	0.84	0.73	0.63	0.00	0.00	5.8	0.89	2.28	3.12	0.00	0.00	15
Case 1	AAC Block Masonry	0.77	14.25	16.50	0.00	0.00	0.84	0.73	0.63	0.00	0.00	5.8	0.89	2.28	3.12	0.00	0.00	15
Case 2	AAC Block Masonry	0.77	14.25	15.92	0.00	0.00	0.84	0.73	0.63	0.00	0.00	5.8	0.89	2.28	3.71	0.00	0.00	15
Case 3	AAC Block Masonry	0.77	0.00	0.00	13.65	15.90	0.56	0.00	0.00	0.46	0.43	5.6	0.51	0.00	0.00	2.88	3.72	15
Case 4	AAC Block + Double layer plaster	0.760	0.00	15.90	13.65	0.00	0.56	0.00	0.43	0.46	0.00	5.6	0.51	0.00	3.72	2.88	0.00	15

*RETV for all Cases*

The RETV value attained for the conventional case is 18.48 W/m<sup>2</sup>K and with AAC masonry wall (12.23 W/m<sup>2</sup>K), reduces the thermal transmittance through the envelope to a greater extent.

## Thermal Comfort Analysis

The project is a 1BHK house with G+4 floors. Energy simulation is carried out in Design Builder software and detailed modelling is carried out in the Energy Plus engine. The modelling is carried out for the Ground Floor, Middle Floor and Top floor units for NE, NW, SE, SW dwelling units. Detailed inputs in terms of number floors, building geometry, Envelope details, internal loads and active systems are provided in the simulation software. Detailed natural ventilation modeling is carried out in Energy plus.

The modelling methodology is adopted based on IMAC - R (Indian Model for Adaptive thermal Comfort - Residential). In the 1BHK dwelling the rooms are considered to run on 100% natural ventilation. Window operation condition is that the window opens when the Zone Operative Temperature is greater than or equal to IMAC - R Neutral Temperature ( $T_{nuet}$ ) and Outside air Temperature equal to less than Neutral Temperature or the window opens when the Zone Operative Temperature is less than Minimum IMAC (90% Acceptability) and Outside air temperature is greater than Minimum IMAC Temperature to facilitate maximum indoor thermal comfort in affordable housing.



## Thermal Comfort Analysis

Level of discomfort												
Levels	MF NW Dwelling unit			MF SW Dwelling unit			TF NW Dwelling unit			TF SW Dwelling unit		
	Bedroom	Living Room	Area weighted average	Bedroom	Living Room	Area weighted average	Bedroom	Living Room	Area weighted average	Bedroom	Living Room	Area weighted average
Basecase	8760	8691	8717	8759	8666	8701	8743	8663	8693	8745	8684	8707
Case-1	4111	3610	3798	4033	3110	3457	6983	8380	7855	6950	6174	6466
Case-2	4112	3607	3797	4037	3110	3459	5480	8548	7395	5331	4385	4741
Case-3	3175	3172	3173	3035	2861	2926	4745	6467	5820	4921	4150	4440
Case-4	3144	3114	3125	2978	2788	2859	4749	6414	5788	4925	4137	4433

### Annual Level of Discomfort hours for select Dwelling Units

Percentage of Discomfort hours												
Levels	MF NW Dwelling unit			MF SW Dwelling unit			TF NW Dwelling unit			TF SW Dwelling unit		
	Bedroom	Living Room	Area weighted average	Bedroom	Living Room	Area weighted average	Bedroom	Living Room	Area weighted average	Bedroom	Living Room	Area weighted average
Basecase	100%	99%	100%	100%	99%	99%	100%	99%	99%	100%	99%	99%
Case-1	47%	41%	43%	46%	36%	39%	80%	96%	90%	79%	70%	74%
Case-2	47%	41%	43%	46%	36%	39%	63%	98%	84%	61%	50%	54%
Case-3	36%	36%	36%	35%	33%	33%	54%	74%	66%	56%	47%	51%
Case-4	36%	36%	36%	34%	32%	33%	54%	73%	66%	56%	47%	51%

### Annual Percentage of Discomfort hours for select Dwelling Units

## Thermal Comfort Analysis

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Basecase	4392	4392	4392	4392	4392	4392	4392	4392	4392	4392	4392	4392
Case-1	3389	3041	3172	3128	2661	2837	4172	4347	4281	4119	3903	3984
Case-2	3390	3039	3171	3129	2661	2837	4046	4387	4259	3800	3462	3589
Case-3	2726	2639	2672	2438	2377	2400	3666	4181	3987	3521	3161	3296
Case-4	2720	2621	2658	2414	2357	2378	3707	4118	3963	3582	3220	3356

### Summer Months (Apr - Sept) Level of Discomfort Hours for select Dwelling Units

Percentage of Discomfort hours												
Levels	MF NW Dwelling unit			MF SW Dwelling unit			TF NW Dwelling unit			TF SW Dwelling unit		
	Bedroom	Living Room	Area weighted average	Bedroom	Living Room	Area weighted average	Bedroom	Living Room	Area weighted average	Bedroom	Living Room	Area weighted average
Basecase	50%	50%	100%	50%	50%	100%	50%	50%	100%	50%	50%	100%
Case-1	39%	35%	72%	36%	30%	65%	48%	50%	97%	47%	45%	45%
Case-2	39%	35%	72%	36%	30%	65%	46%	50%	97%	43%	40%	41%
Case-3	31%	30%	61%	28%	27%	55%	42%	48%	91%	40%	36%	38%
Case-4	31%	30%	61%	28%	27%	54%	42%	47%	90%	41%	37%	38%

### Summer Months (Apr - Sept) Percentage of Discomfort Hours for select Dwelling Units

## Thermal Comfort Analysis

### Inference

From the Discomfort hours and percentage, it is clearly understood that for a Warm & Humid climate the following passive design recommendations needs to be considered

- Envelope with lower Thermal conductivity, Higher thermal mass for walls, double plastering, Higher WWR
- Higher window openable area (WFR), Ventilators on top of Windows to facilitate stack ventilation and promote cross ventilation
- Roof with lower thermal conductivity by adding adequate insulation

## Conclusion and Remarks

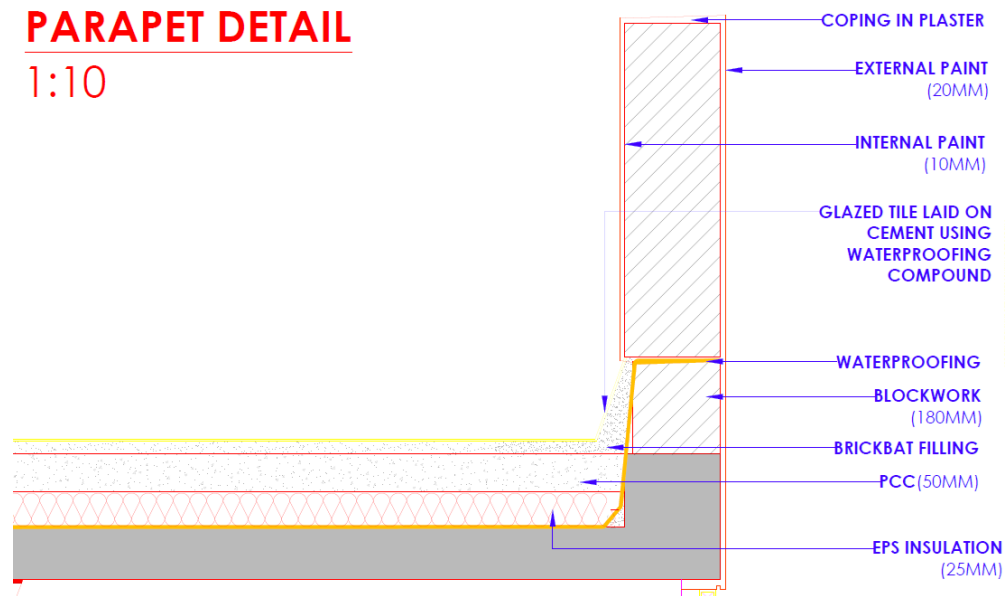
### ➤ AAC wall



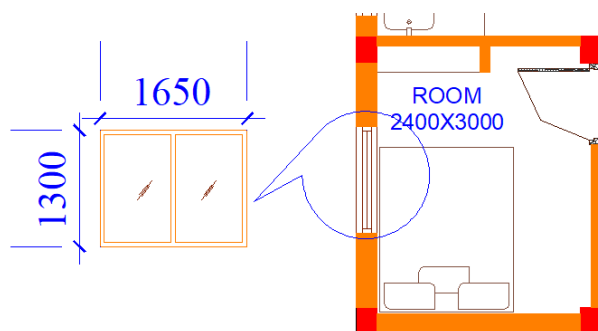
### ➤ 25 mm EPS roof insulation

#### PARAPET DETAIL

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### ➤ Casement windows with an increase in the size of the bedroom window



## Conclusion and Remarks

### Recommendations

- It is recommended to go for Case 2;
  - AAC wall
  - 25 mm EPS roof insulation
  - Casement windows with an increase in the size of the bedroom window

### Accepted Recommendations

- ***Included in tender***
  - ***AAC wall***
  - ***50 mm EPS roof insulation***



## Life Cycle Cost

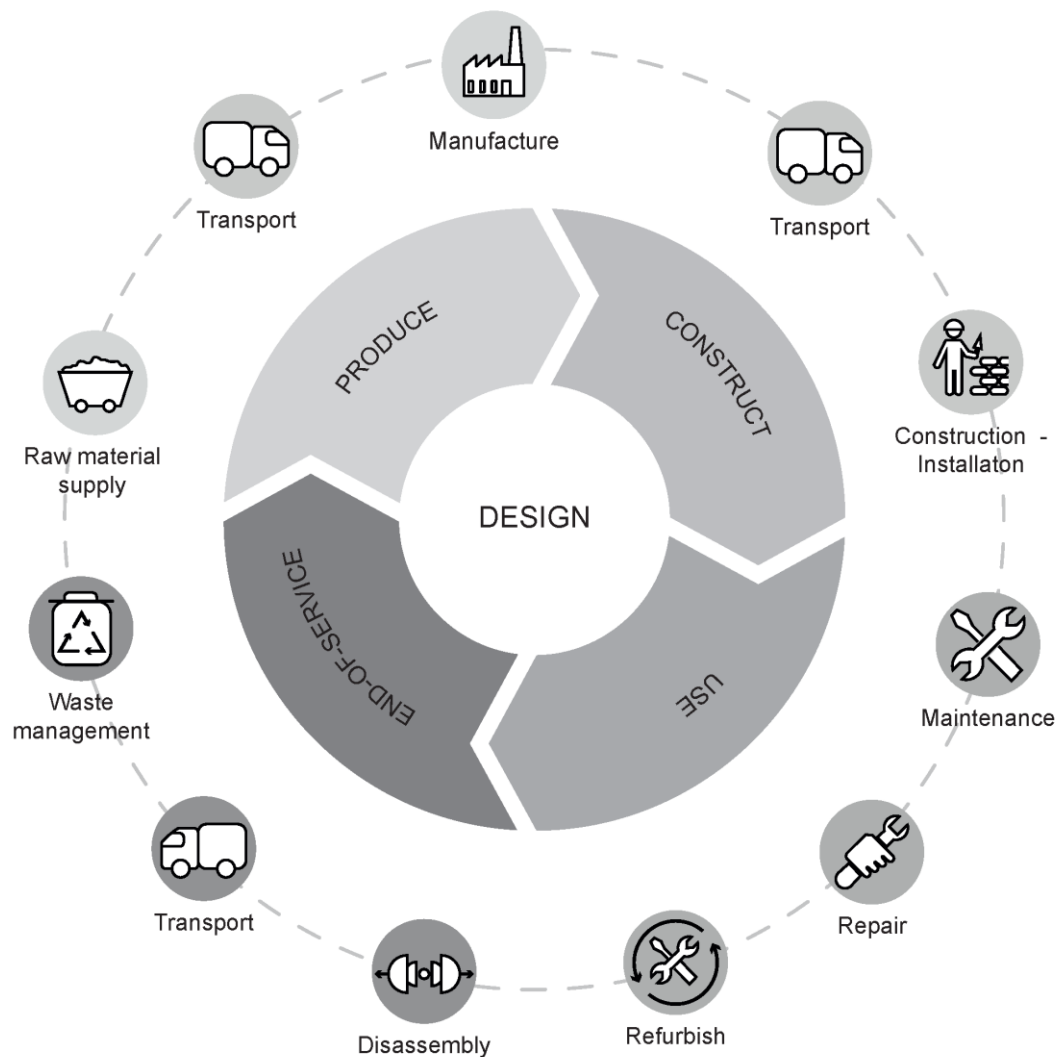
## Life Cycle Cost

Life cycle costing is an economic appraisal technique used to **evaluate different investment alternatives** by taking into account cost and saving associated with each investment alternative along a period of analysis often determined by a period of commercial interest. In the construction sector, it is used to compare different design alternatives for a building, or a system considering the life cycle cost and saving associated with each design option

**Life cycle costing** for building is a method used to assess the anticipated economic performance of a building throughout its life cycle which includes:

- Design
- Construction
- Operation and Maintenance
- Disposal

## Life Cycle Cost



## Life Cycle Analysis

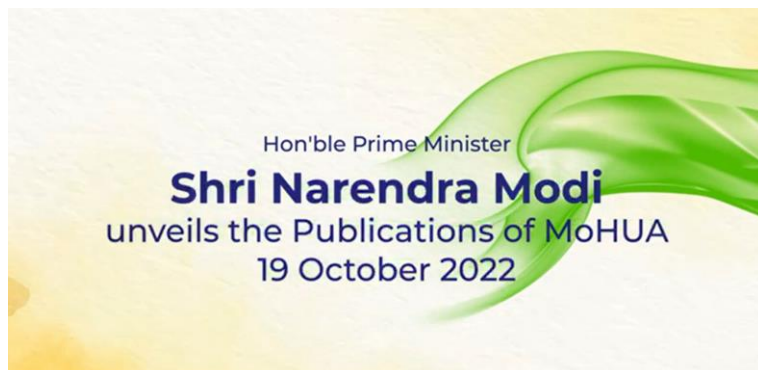
**Life cycle analysis (LCA)** is a method used to evaluate the environmental impact of a product through its life cycle encompassing extraction and processing of the raw materials, manufacturing, distribution, use, recycling, and final disposal.



*Life-cycle analysis (LCA)* is a primary tool used to support decision-making for sustainable development. Crucially, an LCA is a comprehensive method for assessing all **direct and indirect environmental impacts** across the full life cycle of a product system, from materials acquisition, to manufacturing, to use, and to final disposition (disposal or reuse).

## Session 2: Importance of Thermal comfort

## Handbook – Climate Smart Buildings



### COMPENDIUM OF LHP CHENNAI & RAJKOT

The compendiums capture the journey of design, planning and construction of Light House Projects at Chennai and Rajkot. It lays emphasis on the construction technologies used in the two LHPs along with the construction process, the project management & monitoring. Further, it documents the series of activities being undertaken under the Live Laboratory component of GHTC-India for disseminating the learning on use of innovative technologies for various stakeholders.

### HANDBOOK ON INNOVATIVE CONSTRUCTION TECHNOLOGIES AND THERMAL COMFORT IN AFFORDABLE HOUSING

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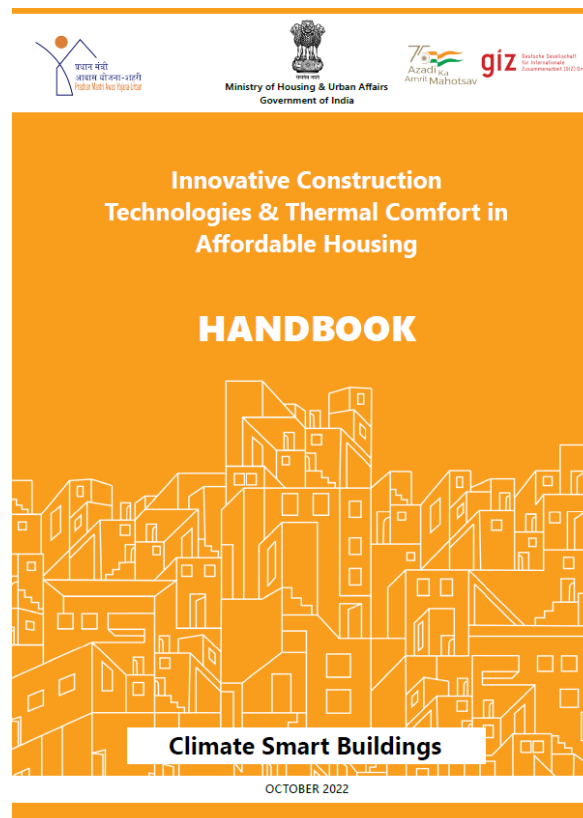


## Handbook – Climate Smart Buildings



“This One-Word, in the context of climate, can become the basic foundation of One World. This is a word- LIFE...L, I, F, E, i.e. Lifestyle For Environment Today, there is a need for all of us to come together, together with collective participation, to take Lifestyle For Environment (LIFE) forward as a campaign. This can become a mass movement of Environmental Conscious Lifestyle. What is needed today is mindful and deliberate utilization, instead of Mindless and destructive Consumption. These movements together can set goals that can revolutionize many sectors such and diverse areas such as Fishing, Agriculture, Wellness, Dietary Choices, Packaging, Housing, Hospitality, Tourism, Clothing, Fashion, Water Management and Energy.”

~ Narendra Modi, Hon'ble Prime Minister  
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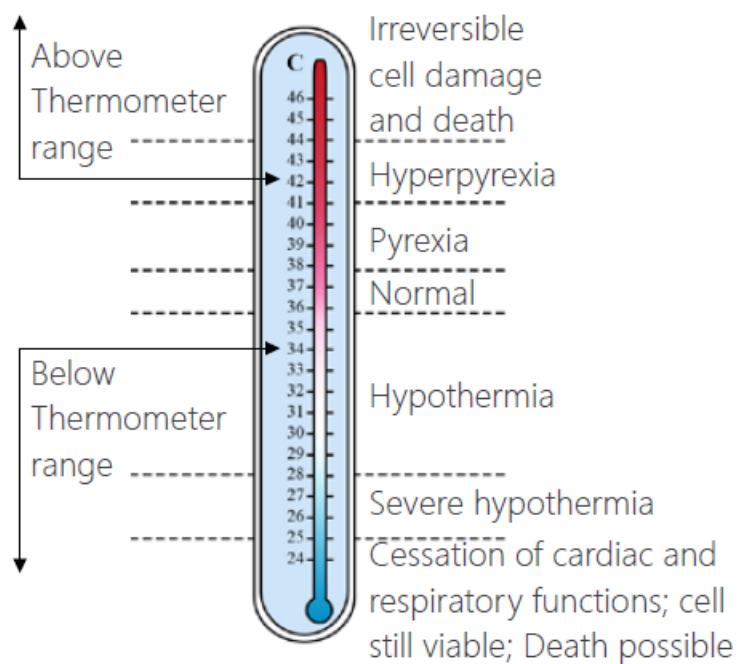
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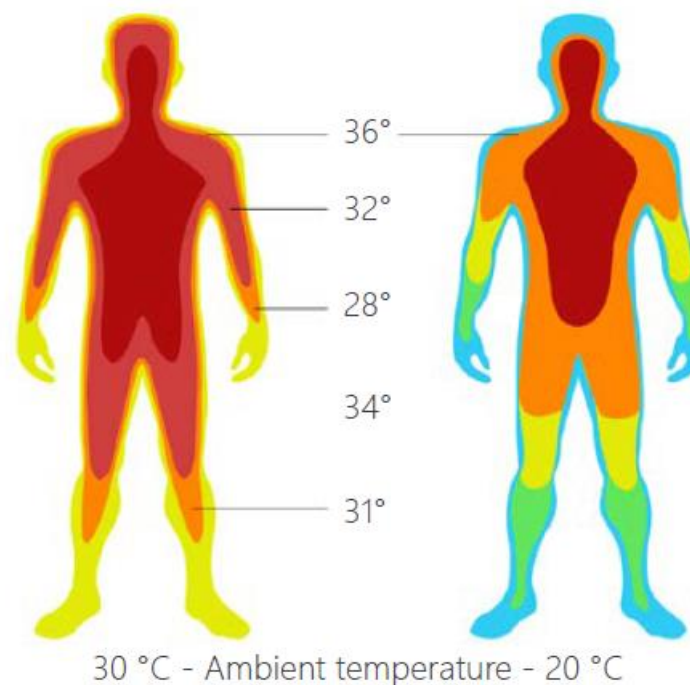
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## Thermal comfort & Cooling Demand

## Thermal Condition of Human Body

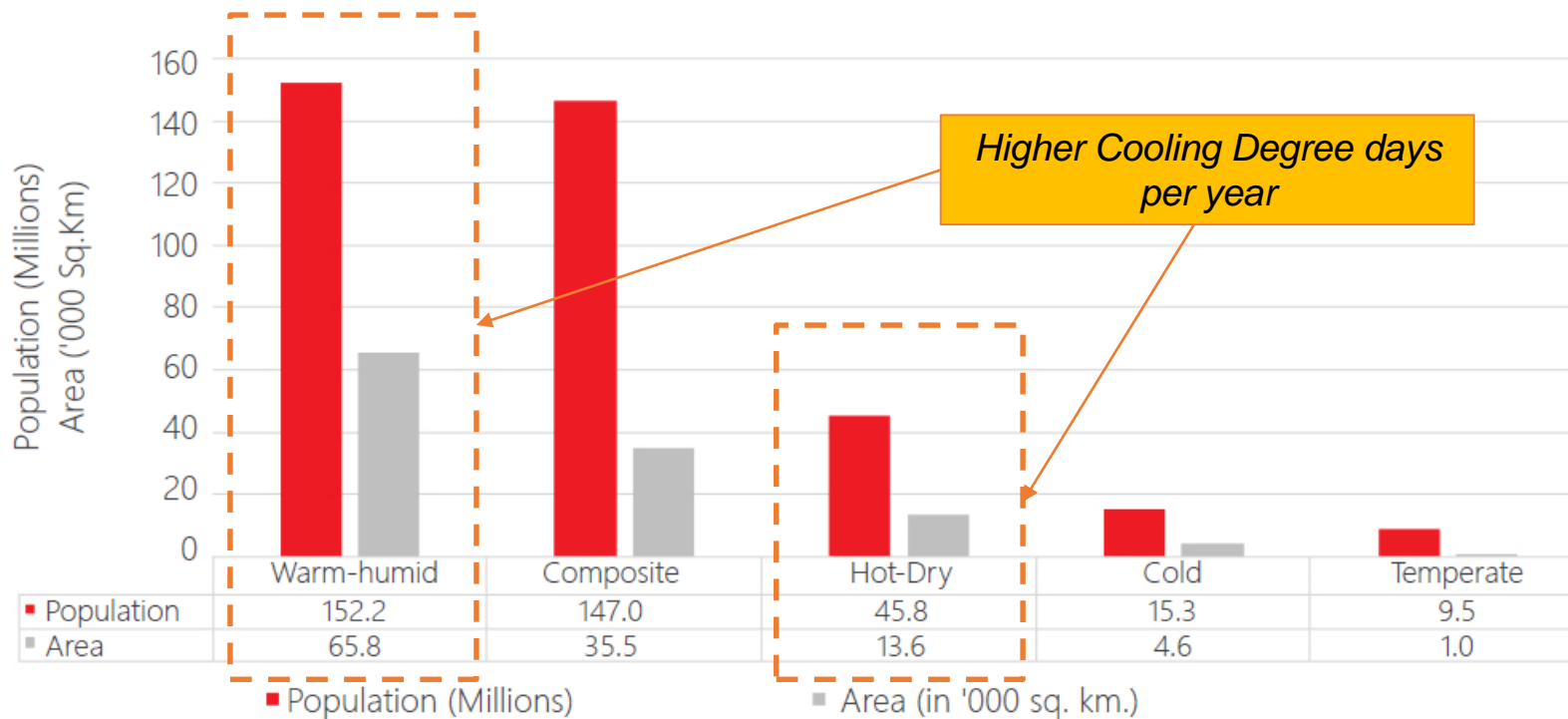


Comfort Band



Skin surface temperature

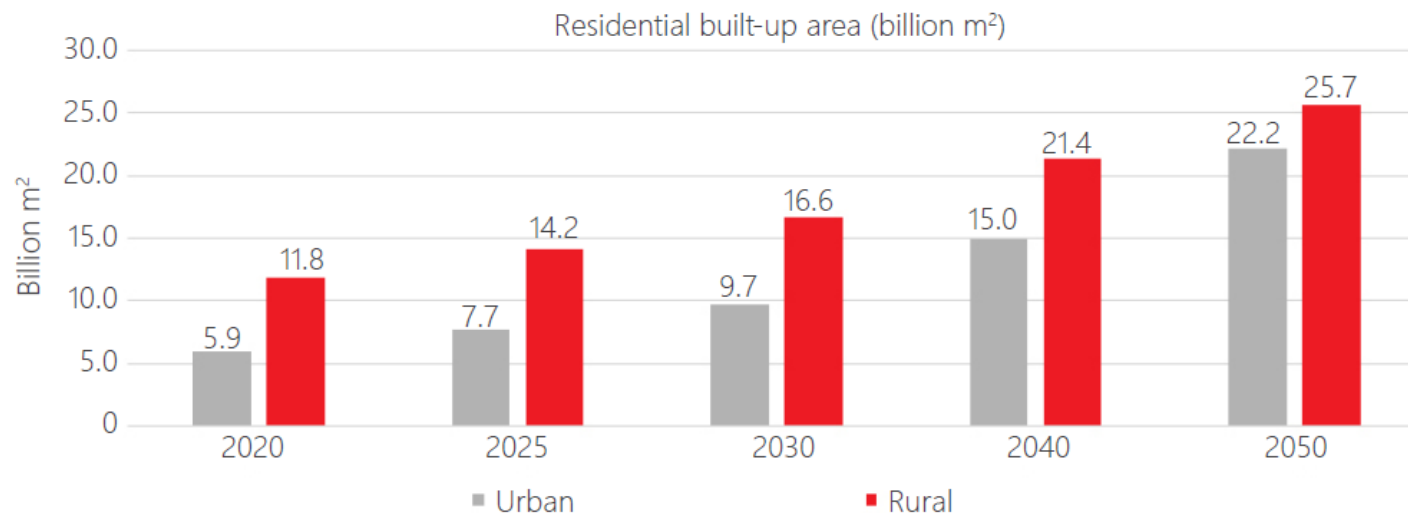
## Cooling Demand in India



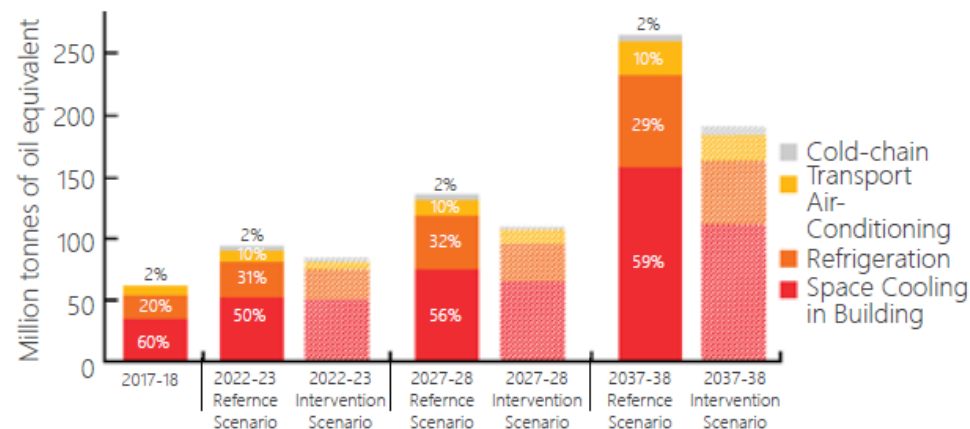
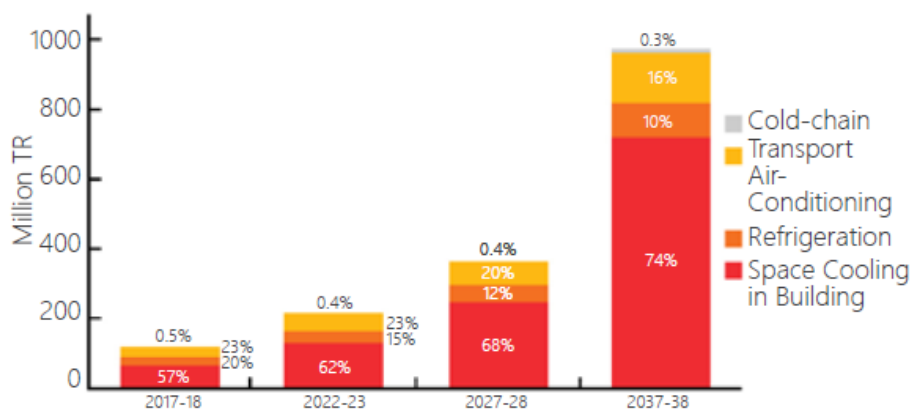
*Climate zone wise area & population distribution in India*

Sources: Senses 2011, GoI

## Cooling Demand in India



*Projected increase in residential built up area in rural & urban India*



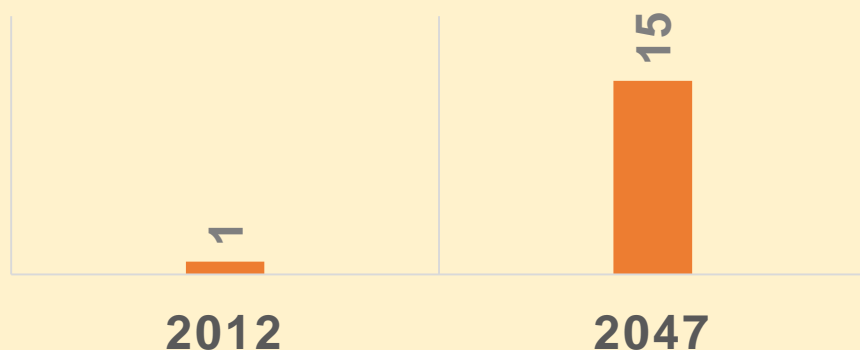
*Sector wise growth in cooling demand in India - ICAP*

## Increase in AC demand in the Residential Sector

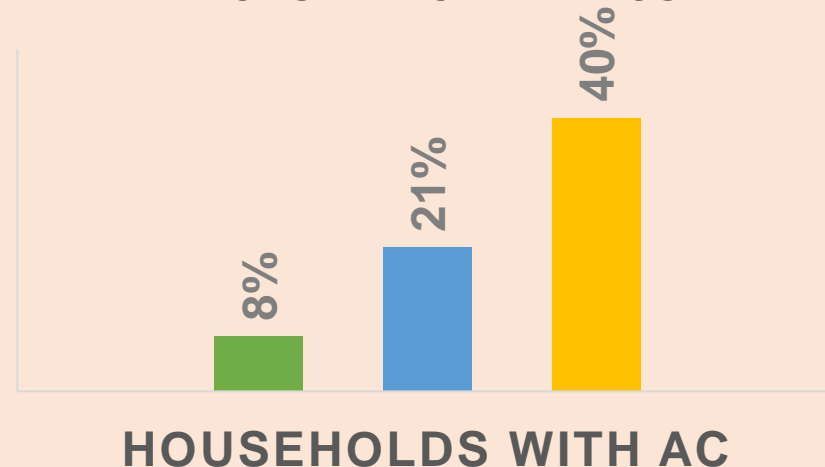
In 2017, approximately 272 million households were estimated in India which will increase to 328 and 386 million in 2027 and 2037 respectively.

### PENETRATION OF AC

■ AC unit per 100 person



■ 2018 ■ 2027 ■ 2037



Source: Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change. (2019). India Cooling Action Plan & NITI Aayog 2015



## Factors affecting Thermal comfort & Cooling Demand

## Thermal Comfort – Definition

*It is defined as "that condition of mind which expresses satisfaction with the thermal environment." This condition is also some times called as "neutral condition", though in a strict sense, they are not necessarily same for everyone.*

Internationally Engineers & designers look up to following standards for thermal comfort conditions:

- **ASHRAE 55** (American Society of Heating, Refrigerating, and Air Conditioning Engineers)
- **ISHRAE** (Indian Society of Heating, Refrigerating, and Air Conditioning Engineers)
- **IMAC** (Indian Model for Adaptive Thermal Comfort)

## Thermal Comfort – Indices



## Thermal Comfort Indices – Metabolic Rate



## Thermal Comfort Indices – Clothing Insulation

- The clothing factor used to represent the thermal insulation from clothing
- The unit for measuring the resistance offered by clothes is called as "clo"

- Radiation heat loss/gain
- Convection heat loss/gain
- Surface area exposed

- 1 clo :  $0.155 \text{ m}^2\text{K/W}$
- Winter clothing : 1.0 clo
- Summer clothing : 0.5 clo

Trouser+ Half  
Sleeves



0.6 clo

Jeans + Blazer



1.0 clo

Woollen  
Clothes



1.5 clo

## Thermal Comfort – Impact of Radiant Temperature

The mean radiant temperature accounts for the radiant heat transferred from the surfaces of an enclosure to a point in space.

It is dependent on the ability of a surface to emit the incident heat, also known as emissivity of the material.

The MRT is defined as the uniform temperature of an imaginary enclosure in which the radiant heat transfer from the human body is equal to the radiant heat transfer in the actual non-uniform enclosure.

It is calculated using globe temperature ( $T_g$ ) measured using a globe thermometer and air temperature ( $T_a$ ).

The average of mean radiant and ambient air temperatures, weighted by their respective heat transfer coefficients is termed indoor operative temperature (ASHRAE, 2021)





## Thermal Comfort Indices – Environmental Factors

Indices	Air Speed	Humidity	Air Temperature
Definitions	Rate of Air Movement	Percentage of the amount of moisture the air could possibly hold	Average temperature of air surrounding an occupant
Controls	Fan Speed Wind speed Window Opening	Humidifier Dehumidifier	Insulated Envelope Heat Ingress/Egress
Heat Influence	Convective Evaporative	Evaporation	Convective Evaporative

## Thermal Comfort Indices – Environmental Factors

### Problems due to High Humid Conditions

- ☐ Stuffy air
- ☐ Condensation on windows and walls
- ☐ Mold spots or water stains
- ☐ Musty smells
- ☐ Allergies
- ☐ Skin problems
- ☐ Swollen woods
- ☐ Moist fabrics

### Problems due to Low Humid Conditions

- ☐ Dry air
- ☐ Allergies
- ☐ Vulnerable to Cold
- ☐ Infections
- ☐ Itchy & Dry Skin
- ☐ Damage to wood furniture & paints
- ☐ Increased static electricity
- ☐ Electronics damage

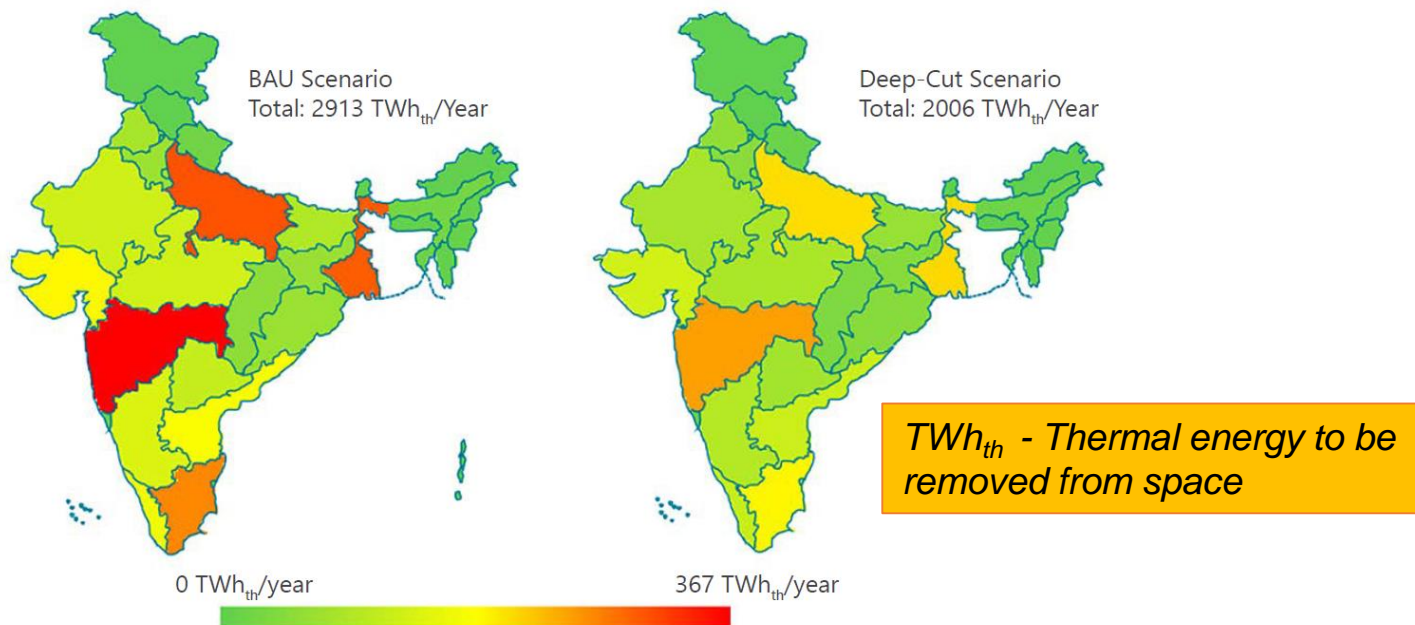
## Contemporary Approaches

## Contemporary approaches to reduce demand

### Deep cut scenarios

#### *Proposition of implementing aggressive measures*

- Improved building technologies & cooling technologies
- Target values for Residential Envelope Transmittance Value (RETV)
- Target values for Roof thermal conductivity
- Improved COP targets



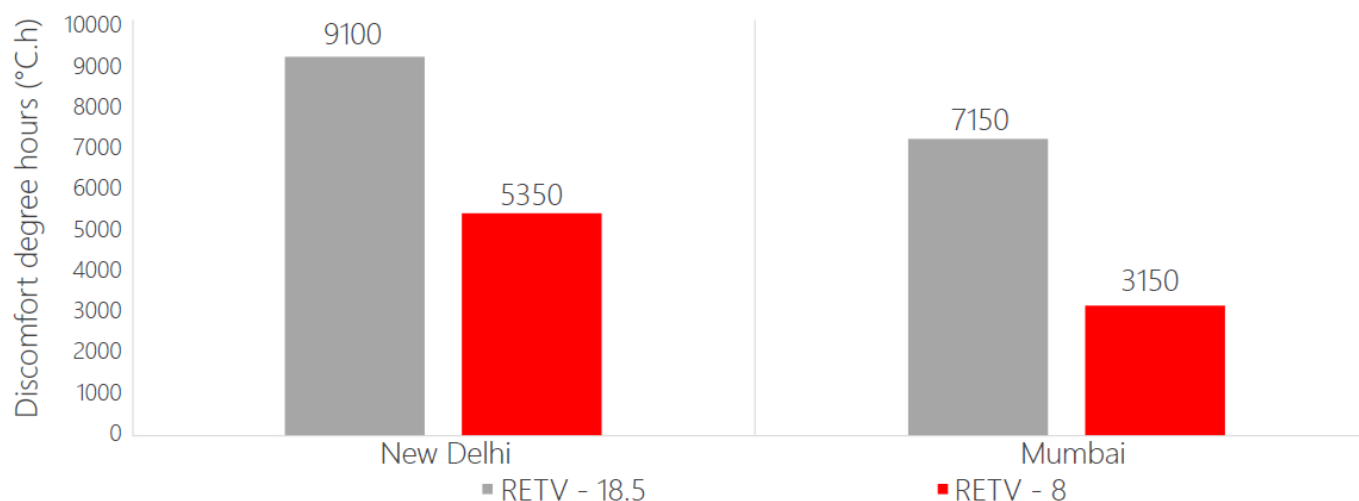
## Contemporary approaches to reduce demand

### Impact of Building Envelope

#### *Lock-in period & retrofit*

- Building life span – 50 to 60 years
- Lock in period for Lighting systems – 2 to 5 years
- Lock in period for HVAC systems – 7 to 12 years
- **Lock in period/Retrofit for Envelope – 12 to 20 years** (*Leads to higher energy & environmental cost*)

Impact of building envelope (or RETV) on thermal comfort (orDDH)



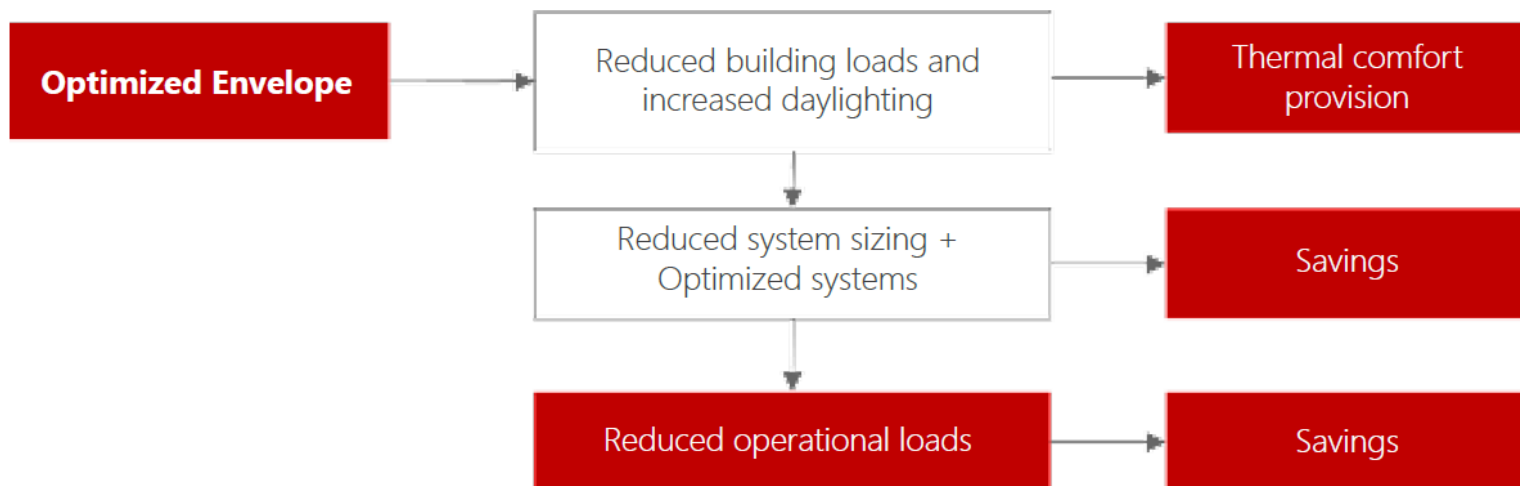
*DDH is a measure of the degree of heating or cooling needed to obtain thermally comfortable indoor environment*

## Contemporary approaches to reduce demand

### Provision in Codes

#### *Minimum Energy Performance*

- Energy Conservation Building Code 2007 & 2017 – Commercial buildings
- Eco Niwas Samhita Part 1 2018 – Building Envelope
- Eco Niwas Samhita Part 2 2021 – Building Systems
- **Thermal comfort provision**



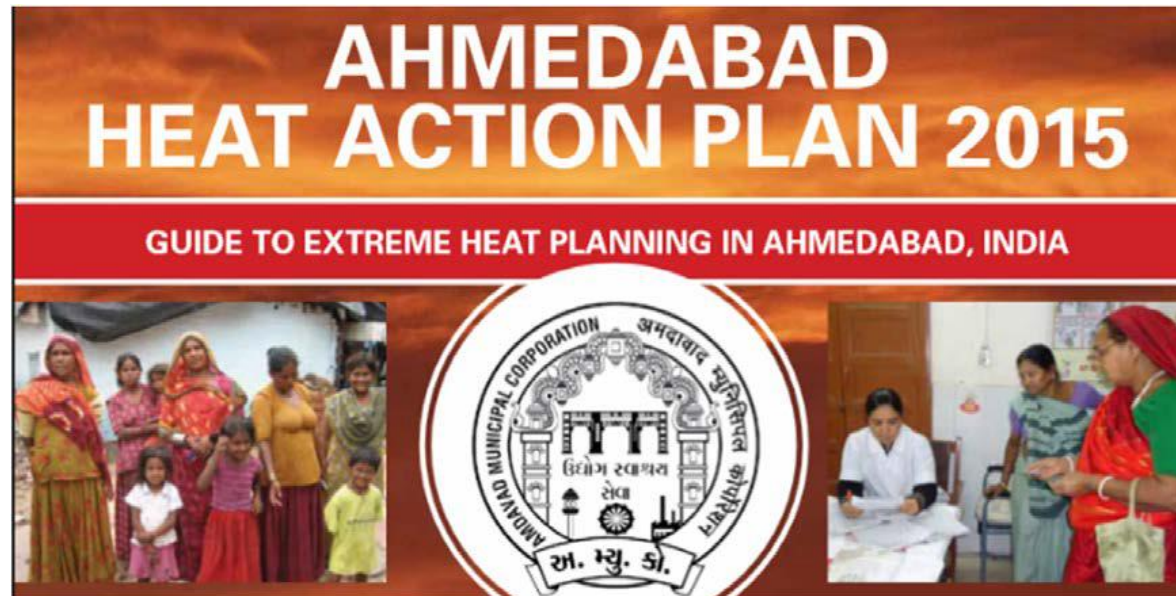


## Contemporary approaches to reduce demand

### Heat Action Plan

#### *Frameworks for extreme climate*

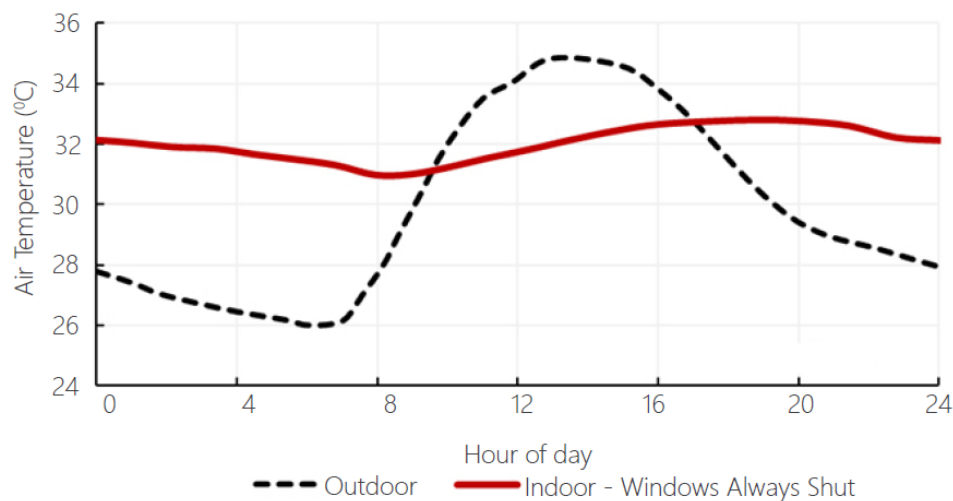
- Ahmedabad Heat Action Plan 2015
- India Cooling Action Plan
- TN Climate Change Action Plan



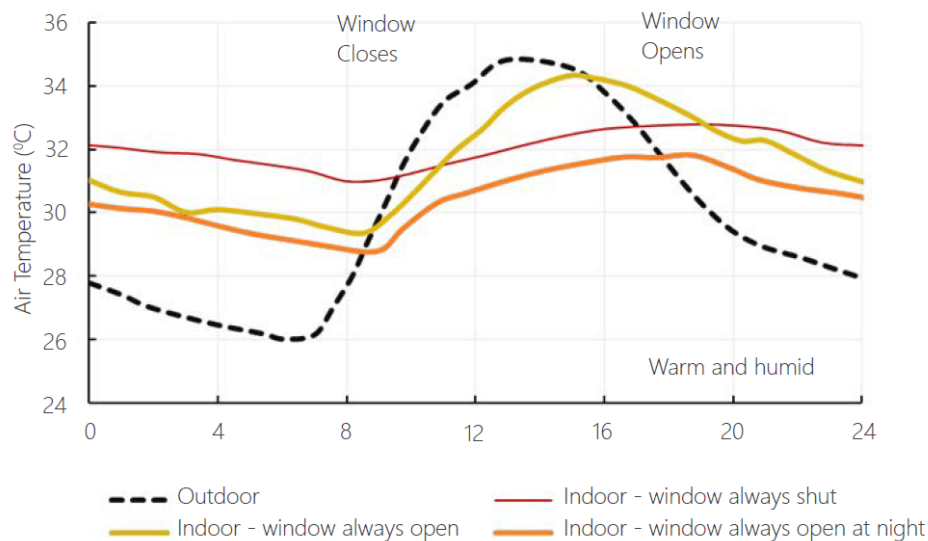
## Thermal comfort Metrics

## Spatial Characteristics

*Impact on Heat Gains due to reduced convections*



*Impact on Heat Gains due to measured convections*



## Impact of design strategies

	Conduction	Convection	Radiation
Geometry - Massing	HD	WH	All Climates
Orientation		WH	All Climates
External Surface to Building Volume Ratio	HD	WH	HD
Extent of Fenestration and Thermal Characteristics	HD	WH	All Climates
Internal Volume – Stack Ventilation	X	HD	X
Location of Fenestration – Pressure Driven Ventilation	X	WH	X



V. Low



Low



Neutral



High



V. High

WH: Warm Humid

HD: Hot-Dry

TE: Temperate

CM: Composite

CO: Cold

*Impact of design strategies on heat transfer through building envelope in different climates*

## Metrics for building envelope elements

Source: Rawal, R., 2021. Heat Transfer And Your Building Envelope, Solar Decathlon India

Parameter	Metric	Building envelope element
Thermal Conductivity	R value – U value	Walls
Thermal Mass	Specific heat capacity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Internal</li> <li><b>External</b></li> </ul>
Thermal Conductivity (Frames and Glass)	R value – U value	<b>Fenestration</b>
Solar Gains	Solar Heat Gain Coefficient	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Windows</b></li> <li>Skylights</li> <li>Doors</li> </ul>
Visible Light Transmittance	VLT	
Thermal Conductivity	R value – U value	<b>Roofs</b>
Thermal Emissivity	Solar Reflectance	Floors Foundations

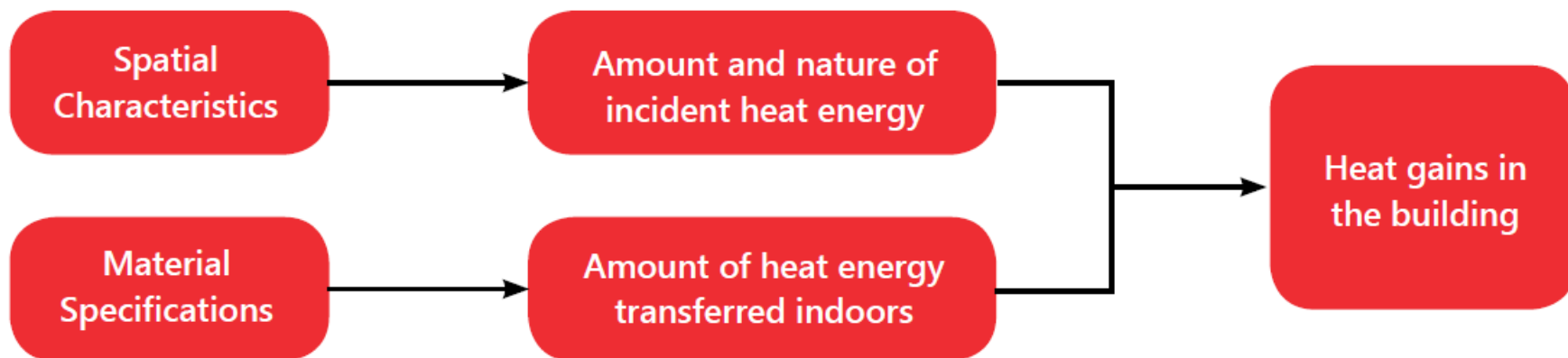
*Relevant metrics for building envelope elements in terms of heat transfer*

## Session 3: Building Physics & Fundamentals of Thermal comfort

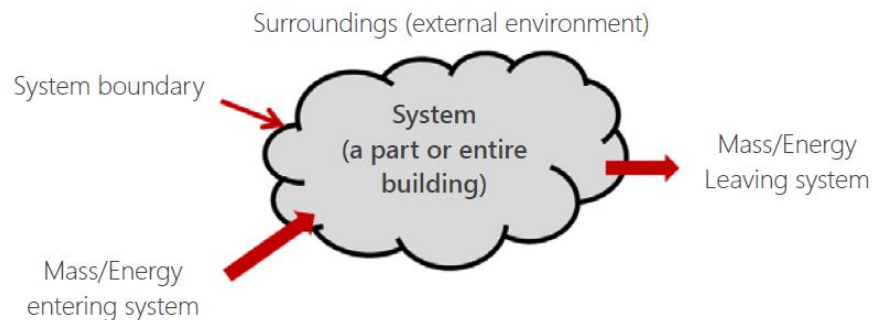
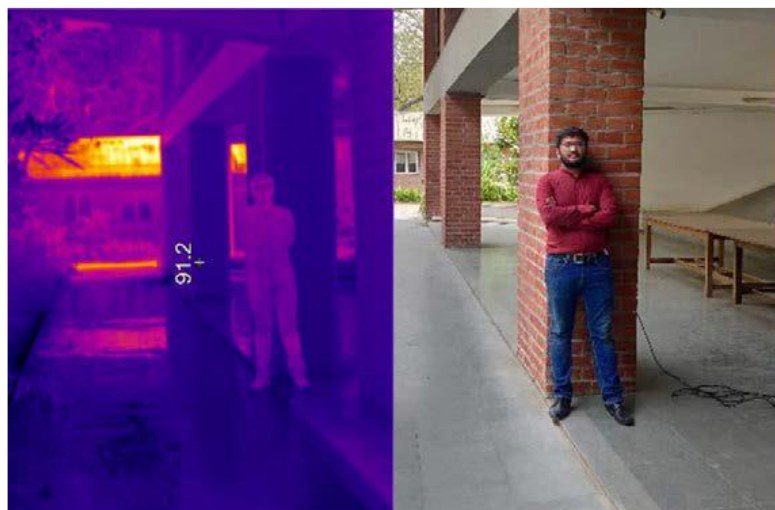


## Thermal comfort & Cooling Demand

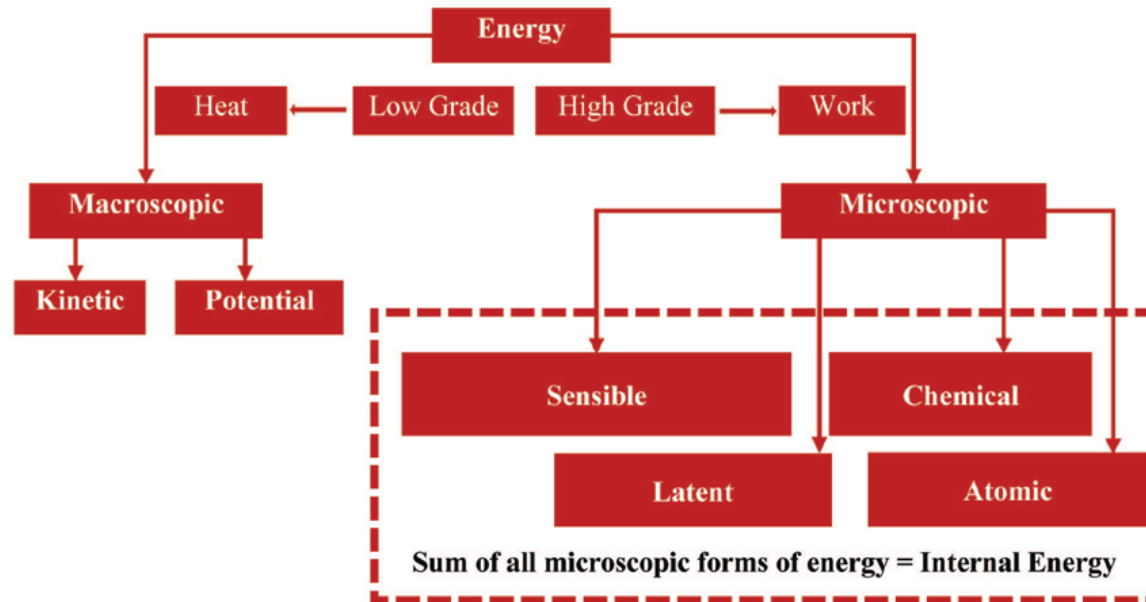
## Building Physics



*Role of spatial characteristics and building material in heat ingress*



## Building Physics – Forms of Energy



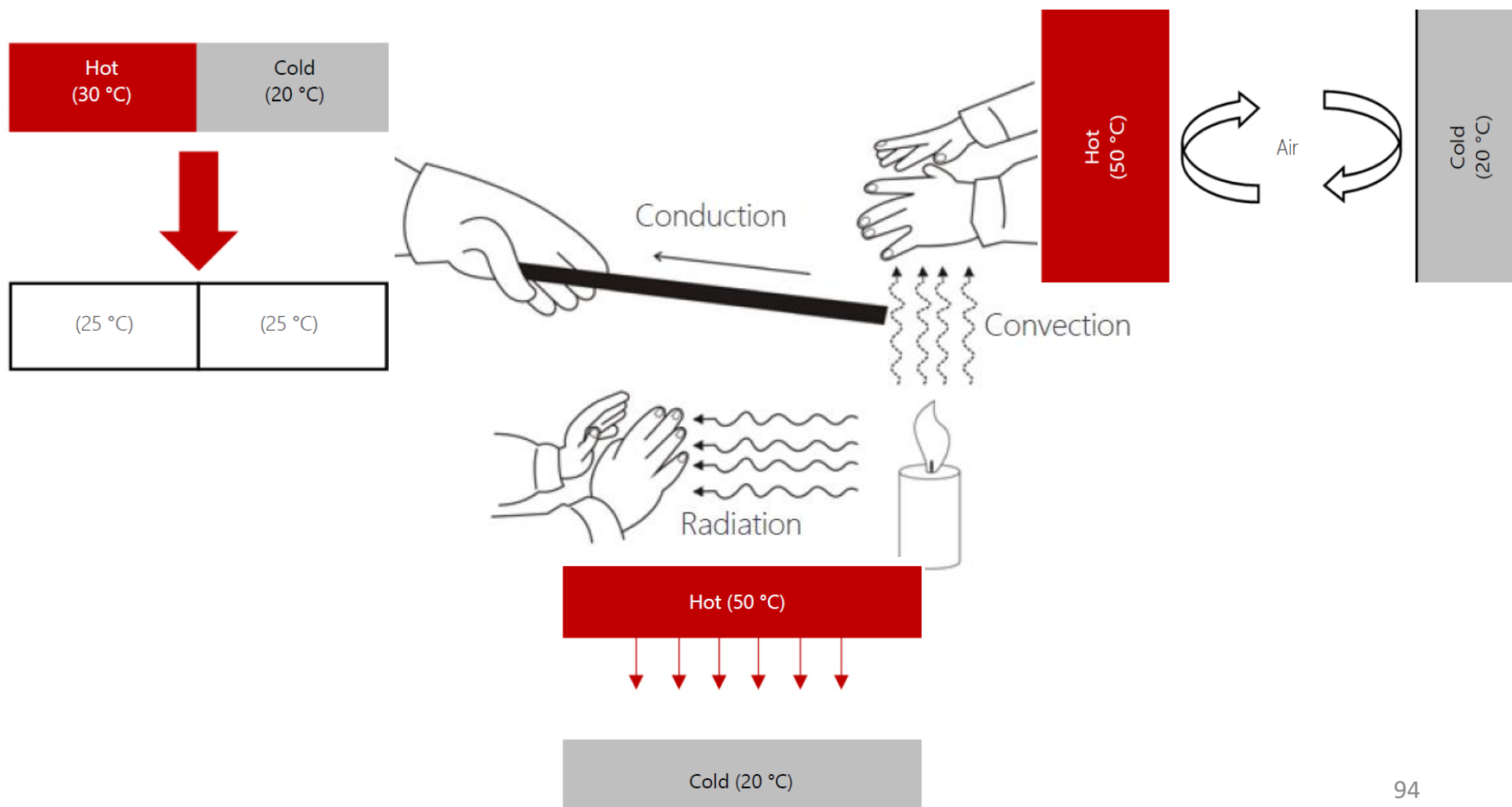
**Sensible energy:** resulting from the translational, rotational, and vibrational movement of molecules/ atoms

**Latent energy:** energy gained or released to change phase

**Chemical energy:** resulting from atomic bonds

**Atomic energy:** resulting from bonds within the nucleus.

## Building Physics- Mode of Heat Transfer



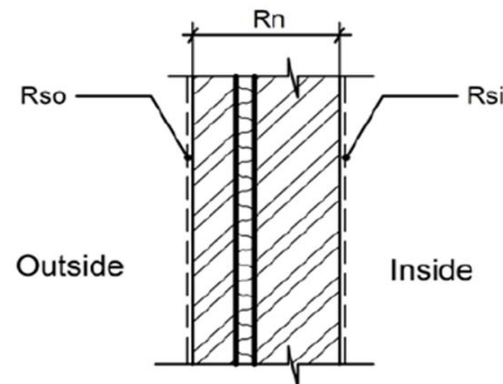
## Building Physics- Conduction

Conduction happens whenever a temperature gradient exists in a stationary medium.

Fourier Equation

$$Q_{\text{conduction}} = U.A. (T_i - T_o)$$

- $Q_{\text{conduction}}$  = Heat transfer through conduction; W
- U or U-factor = Overall heat transfer co-efficient;  $\text{W/m}^2 \cdot \text{K}$
- A = Surface area;  $\text{m}^2$
- $\Delta T$  = Temperature difference;  $T_i - T_o$ ;  $^{\circ}\text{C}$



## Building Physics- Conduction Through Building Envelope

The thermal conductivity of a material is a measure of its ability to conduct heat. The Unit of specific heat capacity is W/m<sup>2</sup>K

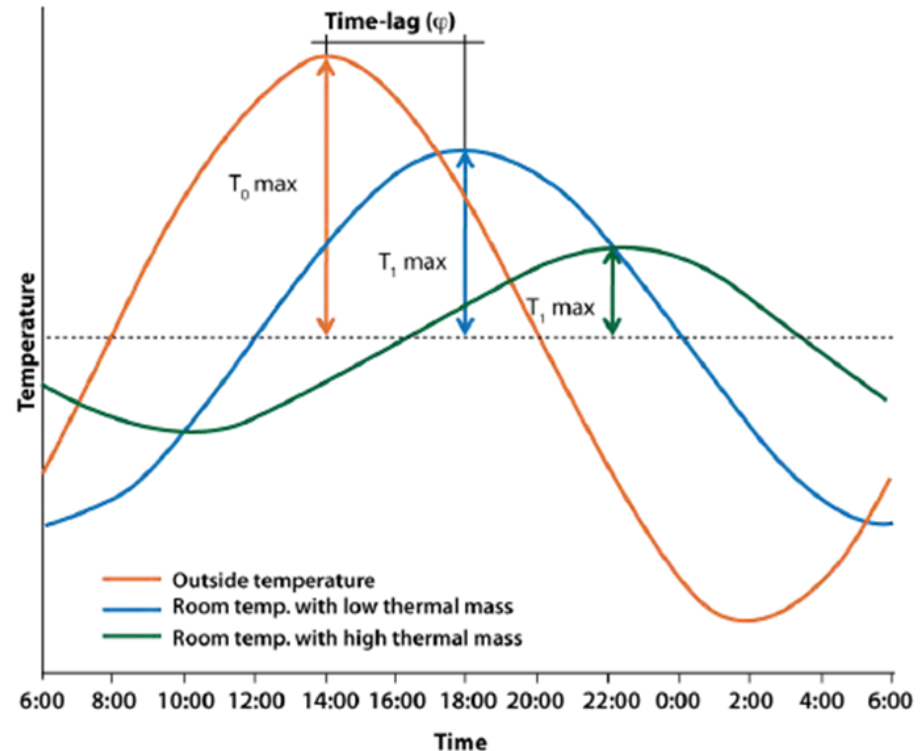
In addition to thermal conductivity, building materials also have a capacity to absorb some of the heat energy. The specific heat capacity of a material is defined as the quantity of heat (in Joules) that must be added to a unit mass (kg) of the material to raise its temperature by 1 K (or 1°C). The S.I. Unit of specific heat capacity is J/kg.K.

Materials	Density (kg/m <sup>3</sup> )	Thermal Conductivity (W/m.k)	Specific Heat Capacity (J/kg.K)
<i>Walls</i>			
Autoclaved Aerated Concrete Block (AAC)	642	0.184	0.794
Resource Efficient Bricks (REB)	1520	0.631	0.9951
Concrete block (25/50)	2427	1.396	0.4751
Concrete block (30/60)	2349	1.411	0.7013
Calcium Silicate Board	1016	0.281	0.8637
Cement Board	1340	0.438	0.8113
Sandstone	2530	3.009	1.5957
Stone (Jaisalmer Yellow)	3006	2.745	2.0954
Stone (Kota)	3102	3.023	2.0732
Bamboo	913	0.196	0.6351
<i>Surface Finishes</i>			
Plaster of Paris (POP) powder	1000	0.135	0.9536
Cement Plaster	278	1.208	0.9719
Plywood	697	0.221	0.7258



## Building Physics - Thermal Mass

- Thermal mass (thermal capacitance or heat capacity) is the capacity of a body to store heat ( $\text{J}/^\circ\text{C}$  or  $\text{J}/\text{K}$ )
- For a homogeneous material, thermal mass is simply the mass of material present times the specific heat capacity of that material. Specific Heat ( $c$ ) values (at room temperature) for:
  - Air =  $1006 \text{ J}/(\text{kg} \cdot \text{K})$
  - Water =  $4187 \text{ J}/(\text{kg} \cdot \text{K})$
- Thermal mass provides "inertia" against temperature fluctuations, sometimes known as the TIME LAG



## Building Physics - Thermal Mass

- **Thermal conductivity of walling material and thickness of the wall** are important parameters to consider during the design of climate- responsive residential architecture.
- The conductive heat gains through the wall surfaces are highly influenced by the **building material and construction methods**.
- The thermal performance of a stone wall is **more appropriate in hot and dry climate** to control the heat gain as compared to warm and humid climate.
- The specific heat capacity of natural limestone is on the higher end of the range. This means that a stone wall can **store more heat energy**. The greater the amount of heat storage in the thermal mass of the wall, the lesser is the heat transferred to the indoors.
- Similarly, a stone wall of **greater thickness** will be able to transfer less heat than a stone wall of lesser thickness.

## Building Physics - Convection

- Convection heat transfer takes place between a surface and a moving fluid, when they are at different temperatures
- Heat is transferred through two modes
  - energy transfer due to molecular motion (conduction) through a fluid layer adjacent to the surface
  - energy transfer by the macroscopic motion of fluid particles by virtue of an external force

$$Q_v = h_{cv} A (T_s - T_\infty)$$

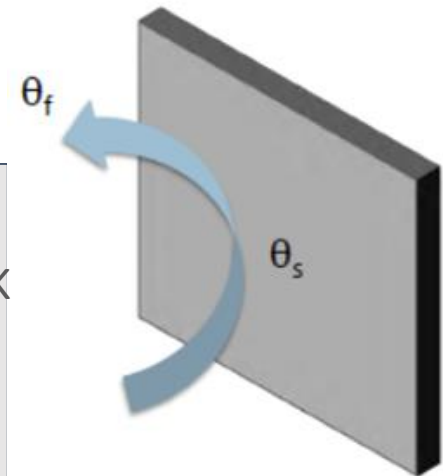
$Q_c$  = Rate of heat transfer by convection, W

$h_{cv}$  = convective heat transfer coefficient,  $W/m^2.K$

$A$  = Surface area,  $m^2$

$T_s$  = Surface Temperature, K

$T_\infty$  = temperature of fluid in free stream, K



## Building Physics - Convection in Building

- Heat transfer in gases and liquids. E.g. Warm air rising (or cool air falling) on a wall's inside surface, inducing air movement
- Flux due to local temperature and density differences (natural or free convection) or due to mechanical devices (forced convection)

Convection	Heat transfer coefficient in air $h_{cv}$ in $W/m^2 \cdot K$
Free	3-10
Forced	10-100

### Ventilation

$$Q_v = \rho \cdot V_r \cdot c \cdot \Delta T$$

$Q_v$  = Heat transfer through ventilation; W

$\rho$  = Density of air; ( $kg/m^3$ )

$V_r$  = Ventilation rate; ( $m^3/s$ )

$c$  = Specific heat of air; ( $J/kg \cdot K$ )

$\Delta T$  = Temperature difference ( $T_s - T_\infty$ ); (K)

## Infiltration and Ventilation Load

### •Sensible Load

$$H_s = 1.08 \times CFM \times \Delta T$$

$H_s$  = Sensible Heat (Btu/hr)

$CFM$  = Air Flow Rate (Cubic Feet per Minute)

$\Delta T$  = Temperature Difference ( $^{\circ}F$ )

### •Latent Load

$$H_L = 0.68 \times CFM \times \Delta W_{GR.}$$

$H_L$  = Latent Heat (Btu/hr)

$CFM$  = Air Flow Rate (Cubic Feet per Minute)

$\Delta W_{GR.}$  = Humidity Ratio Difference (Gr.H<sub>2</sub>O/Lb.DA)

## Building Physics - Air Changes per Hour (ACH)

Air changes per hour (ACH) is a measure of how many times the air within a defined space is replaced in a hour

$$N = \frac{60Q}{Vol}$$

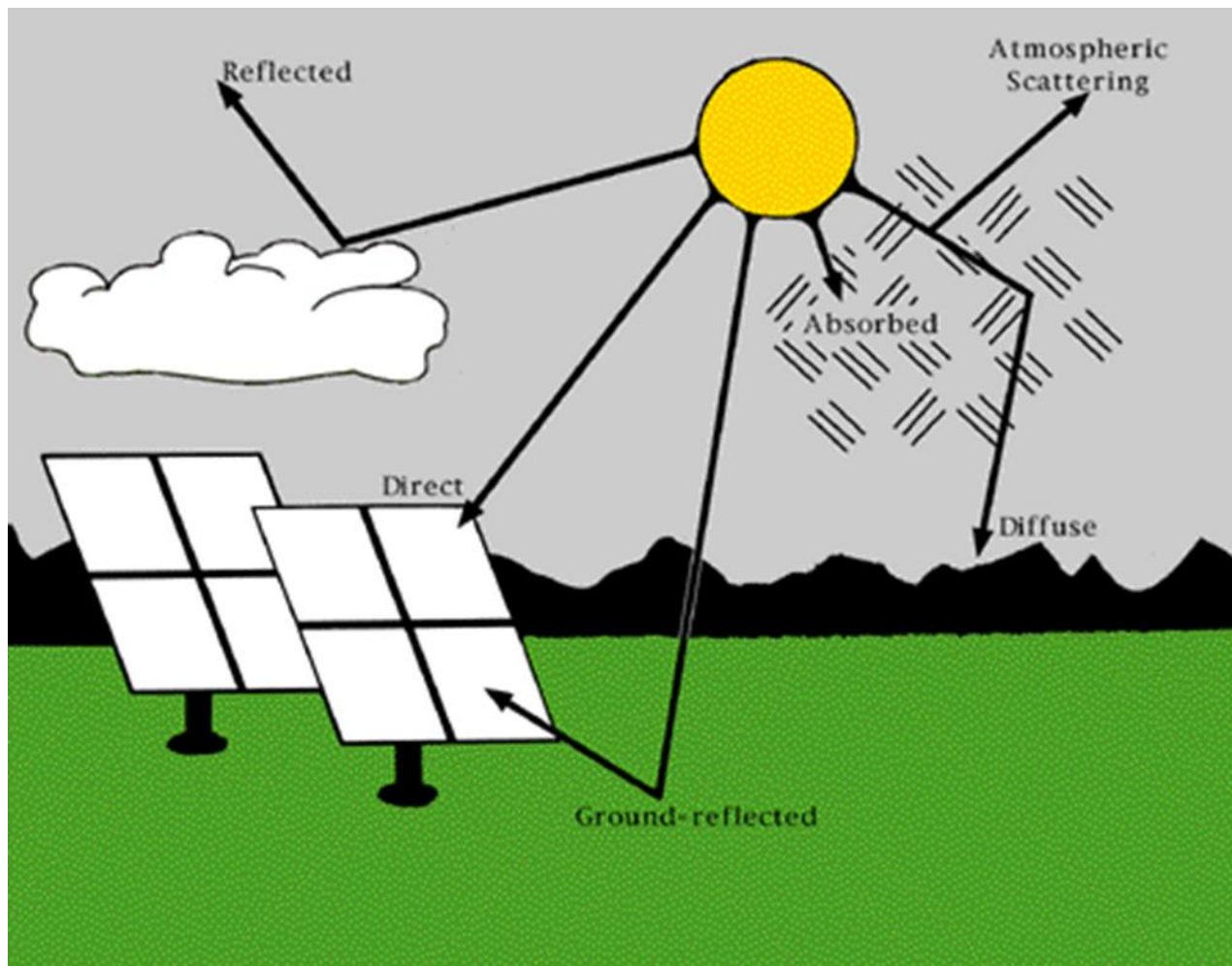
N = number of air changes per hour

Q = Volumetric flow rate of air in cubic feet per minute (cfm)

Vol = Space volume  $L \times W \times H$ , in cubic feet



## Building Physics - Solar Radiation



## Building Physics - Radiation

Radiation heat transfer does not require any medium for transmission

Energy transfer occurs due to the propagation of electromagnetic waves. All bodies due to their temperature emits electromagnetic radiation.

It is propagated with the speed of light and in straight line in vacuum

### Stefan-Boltzmann's law

$$Q_r = \epsilon \cdot \sigma \cdot A \cdot T_s^4$$

$Q_r$  = Rate of heat transfer by radiation, W

$\epsilon$  = Emissivity of the surface

$\sigma$  = Stefan-Boltzmann's constant,  $5.669 \times 10^{-8}$   
W/m<sup>2</sup>.K<sup>4</sup>

A = Surface area, m<sup>2</sup>

$T_s$  = Surface Temperature, K

## Heat Balance Method

The **heat balance method** presents a physics based mathematical model that establishes thermal comfort when heat loss from the body is exactly equal to heat produced within the body.

$$M - W = q_{sk} + q_{res} + S = (C + R + E_{sk}) + (C_{res} + E_{res}) + (S_{sk} + S_{cr})$$

Where  $M$  = rate of metabolic heat production,  $W/m^2$

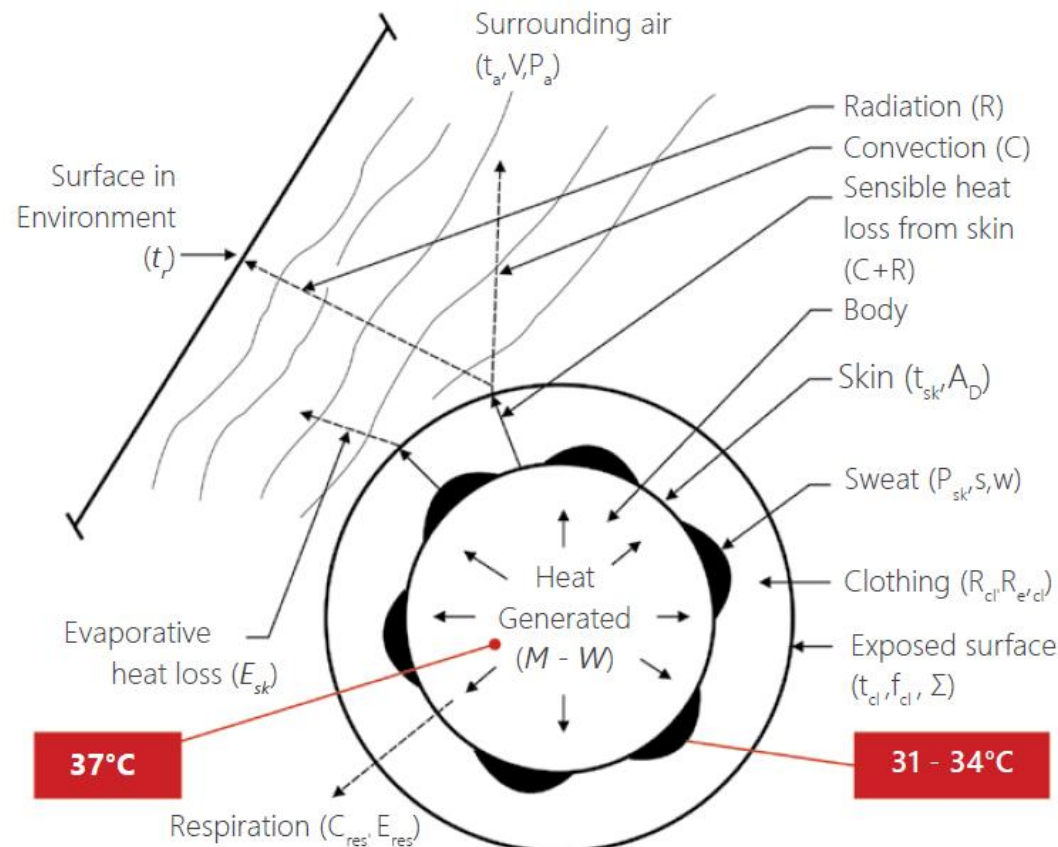
Where  $M$  is the rate of metabolic heat production,  $W$  is the rate of mechanical work accomplished;  $q_{sk}$  is the total rate of heat loss from skin;  $q_{res}$  is the total rate of heat loss through respiration;  $C + R$  is the sensible heat loss from skin;  $E_{sk}$  is the total rate of evaporative heat loss from skin;  $C_{res}$  is the rate of convective heat loss from respiration;  $E_{res}$  is the rate of evaporative heat loss from respiration;  $S_{sk}$  is the rate of heat storage in skin compartment;  $S_{cr}$  is the rate of heat storage in core compartment.

The heat balance method approaches thermal comfort from a biological perspective.

- If heat generation rate > heat loss rate, individual will feel warm/ hot
- If heat generation rate < heat loss rate, individual will feel cool/ cold
- For thermal comfort, heat generation rate = heat loss rate

## Heat Balance Method

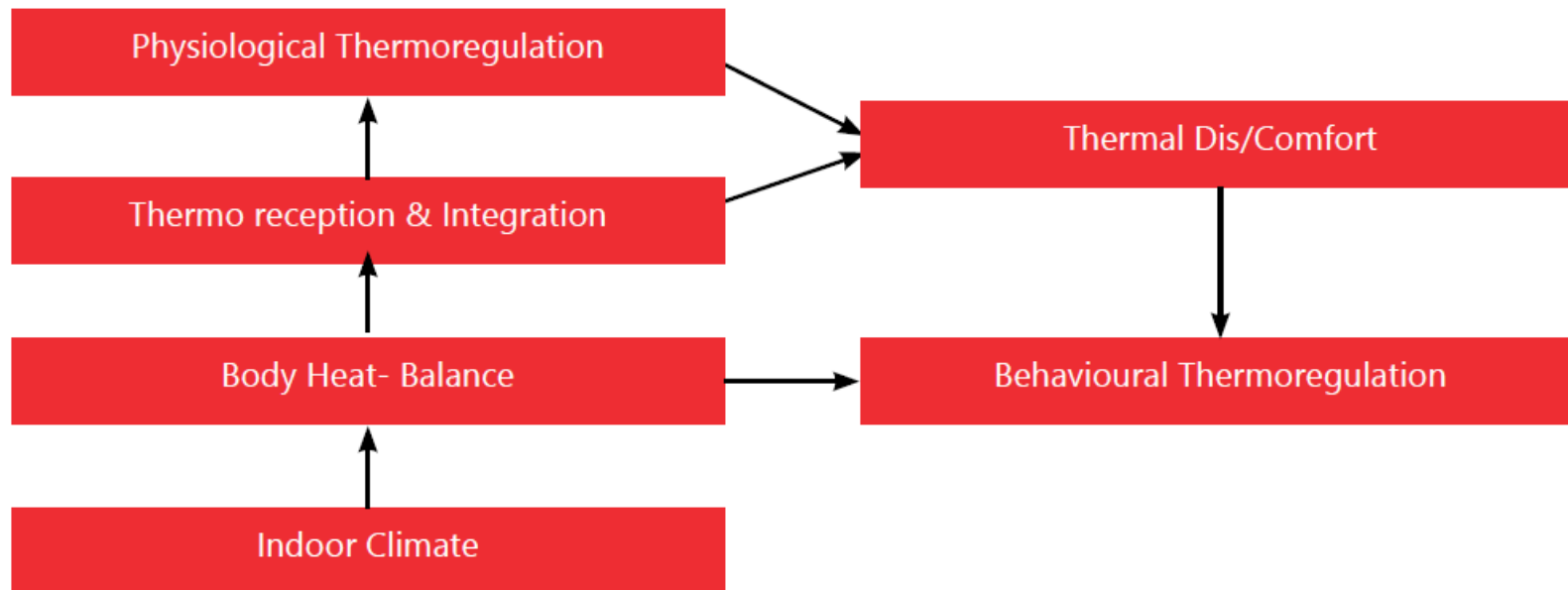
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## Adaptive Thermal control Model

Adaptive thermal comfort model takes into consideration all three- **physiological, psychological, and behavioral aspects** of occupants and their influence on perception of thermal comfort.

It prescribes indoor set point temperature to address 90% acceptability of thermal environment among occupants at granular timescales as opposed to a static set point-based conditioning.



## IMAC

The **India Model for Adaptive Comfort (IMAC)** approach addressed the prevalent five Indian climatic zones and increasing adoption of mixed mode buildings (Manu, Shukla, Rawal, Thomas, & Dear, 2016).

Surveys comprising of ventilated, mixed mode and air-conditioned buildings informed the formulation of two separate adaptive models- one for naturally ventilated and one for mixed mode buildings.

The IMAC equations were subsequently included in the National Building Code 2016. Additionally, ECBC 2017 refers to NBC as the standard for thermal comfort requirements.

Recent advancements include development of IMAC specifically for the residential sector (IMAC-R) (Rawal, et al., 2022).

## Thermal Discomfort

### • Local Thermal Discomfort

- The local thermal discomfort is **unwanted cooling or heating** on a particular part of an occupant's body

Asymmetric radiant field (Cold floor, warm wall, equipment & sunlight)

Too warm or too cold Flooring

Local convective cooling (draught)

Vertical Air temperature difference  
(Warm air near head & Cold air near feet)



• Draught



• Radiation Asymmetry



• Vertical Air Temperature Differences.



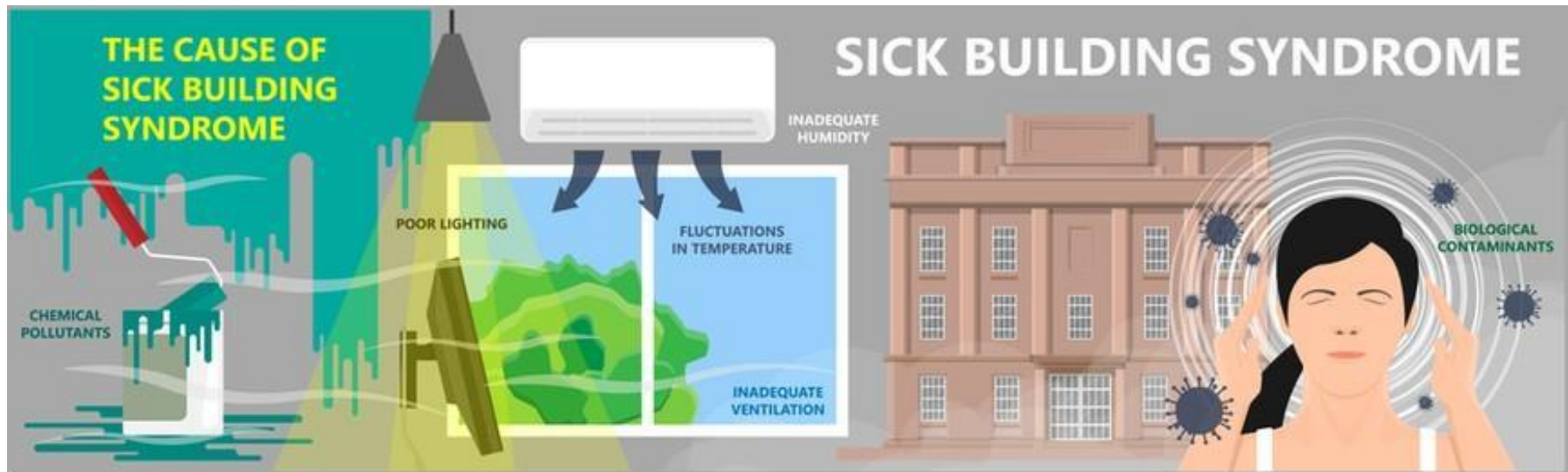
• Floor temperature



## Thermal Discomfort – Sick Building Syndrome

### SICK BUILDING SYNDROME

- **Sick building syndrome (SBS)** is used to describe situations in which building occupants experience acute health and comfort effects that appear to be linked to time spent in a building



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## Session 4: Passive Strategies & Building Materials

## Passive Strategies & Building Materials

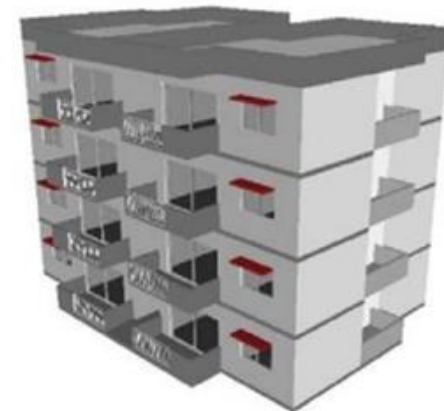
- Passive design can be explained as no or low-cost strategies that use building envelope components to maintain thermally comfortable indoor environment.
- They can help to maintain thermal comfort. This is because passive design measures either reject the heat or delay the transfer of heat from outdoors to indoors to ensure excess heat does not enter the indoor spaces.

Mode of heat transfer	Passive Design strategies applicable
Conduction	Materials and Construction
Convection	Space Volume, Building form- (Roof form, plan)
Radiation	Orientation Shading/ Brise Soleil, jail etc

## Passive Strategies & Building Materials

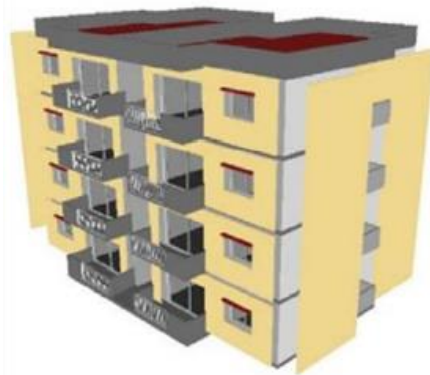
### Initial Strategies

- Form and orientation
- Window-to-wall ratio
- Shading strategies
- Solar Heat Gain Coefficient (SHGC)
- Residential envelope transmittance value (RETV)
- Construction configuration
- Interaction between parameters



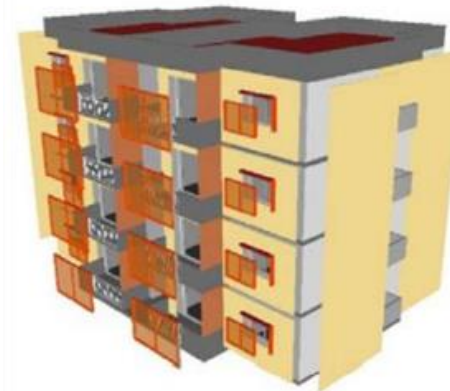
RETV- 21.0 W/m<sup>2</sup>  
Business-As-Usual  
Building Envelope

RETV value of typical affordable multifamily  
residential building



RETV- 18.0 W/m<sup>2</sup>  
Building Envelope Details:  
Better insulation in walls and roof  
(U-value)  
High solar reflectance on  
roof (SRI)

RETV value after initial envelope optimization  
strategies

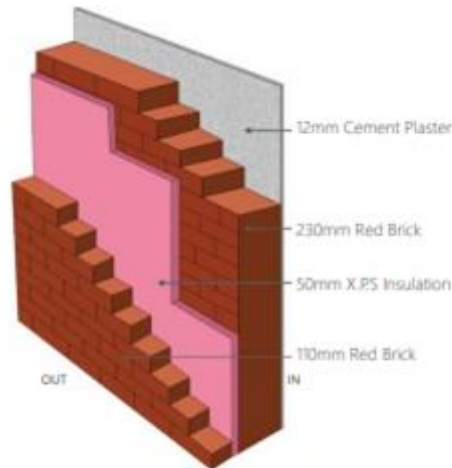


RETV- 15.0 W/m<sup>2</sup>  
Better Windows (U Value, SHGC, VLT,  
Building Envelope Optimization)

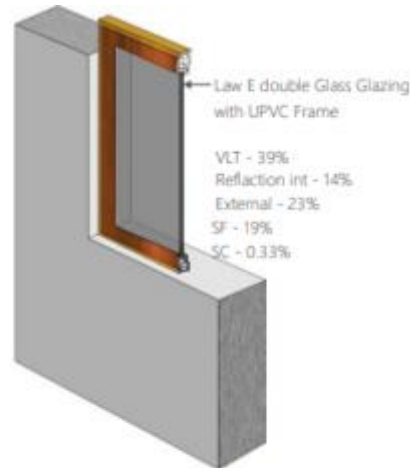
RETV value meeting ENS compliance after glazing related  
optimization strategies

## Passive Strategies & Building Materials

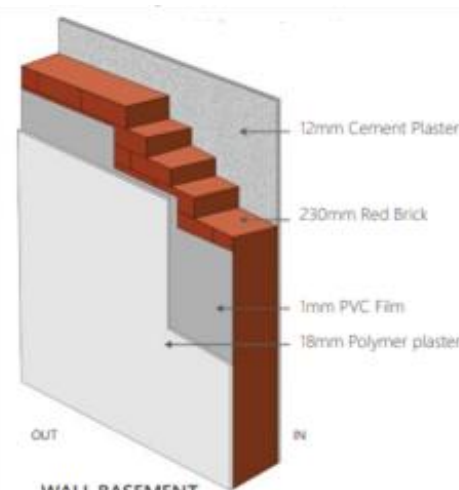
Effective operation of openable elements of the building envelopes such as windows, doors, and building appliances such as fans, provide the occupants with adaptive opportunities to alter their immediate environment. Window operation is an effective adaptive measure in most Indian residences. Favourable outdoor thermal environmental conditions offer occupants the opportunity to open the windows and allow outdoor air to ventilate indoor spaces.



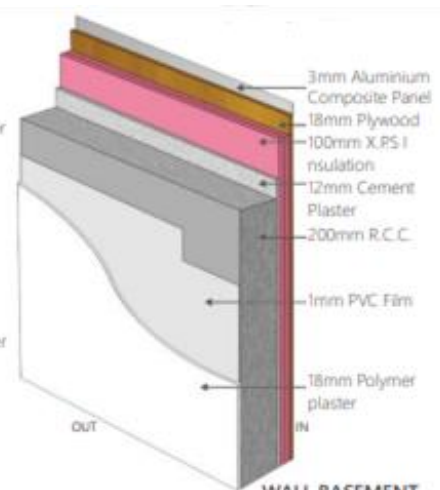
**WALL SUPER STRUCTURE**  
U-value ( $W/m^2K$ ) = 0.42  
R-value ( $m^2K/W$ ) = 2.38



**WINDOW**  
U-value ( $W/m^2K$ ) = 1.70  
R-value ( $m^2K/W$ ) = 0.588

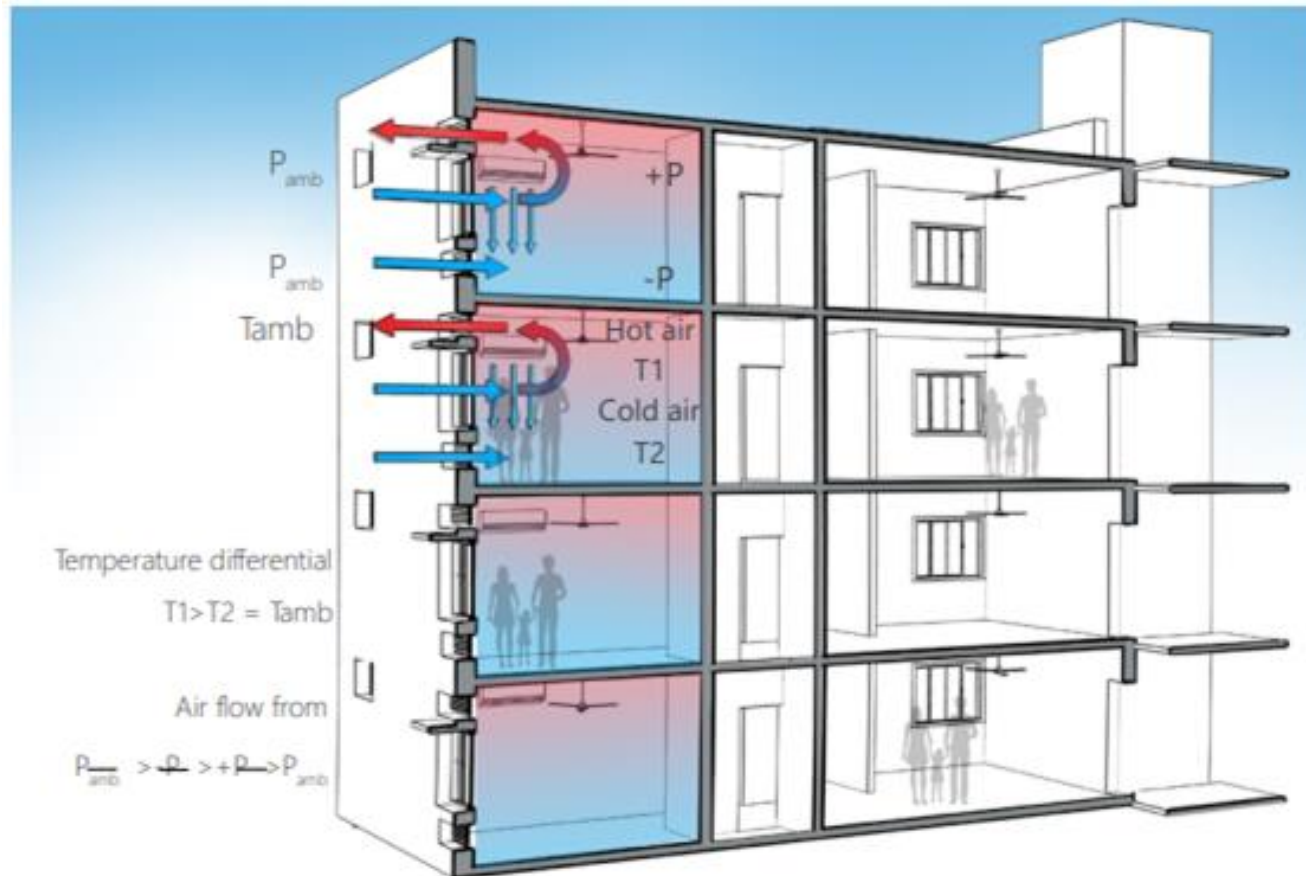


**WALL BASEMENT**  
U-value ( $W/m^2K$ ) = 2.01  
R-value ( $m^2K/W$ ) = 0.50



**WALL BASEMENT**  
U-value ( $W/m^2K$ ) = 0.28  
R-value ( $m^2K/W$ ) = 3.59

## Passive Strategies & Building Materials

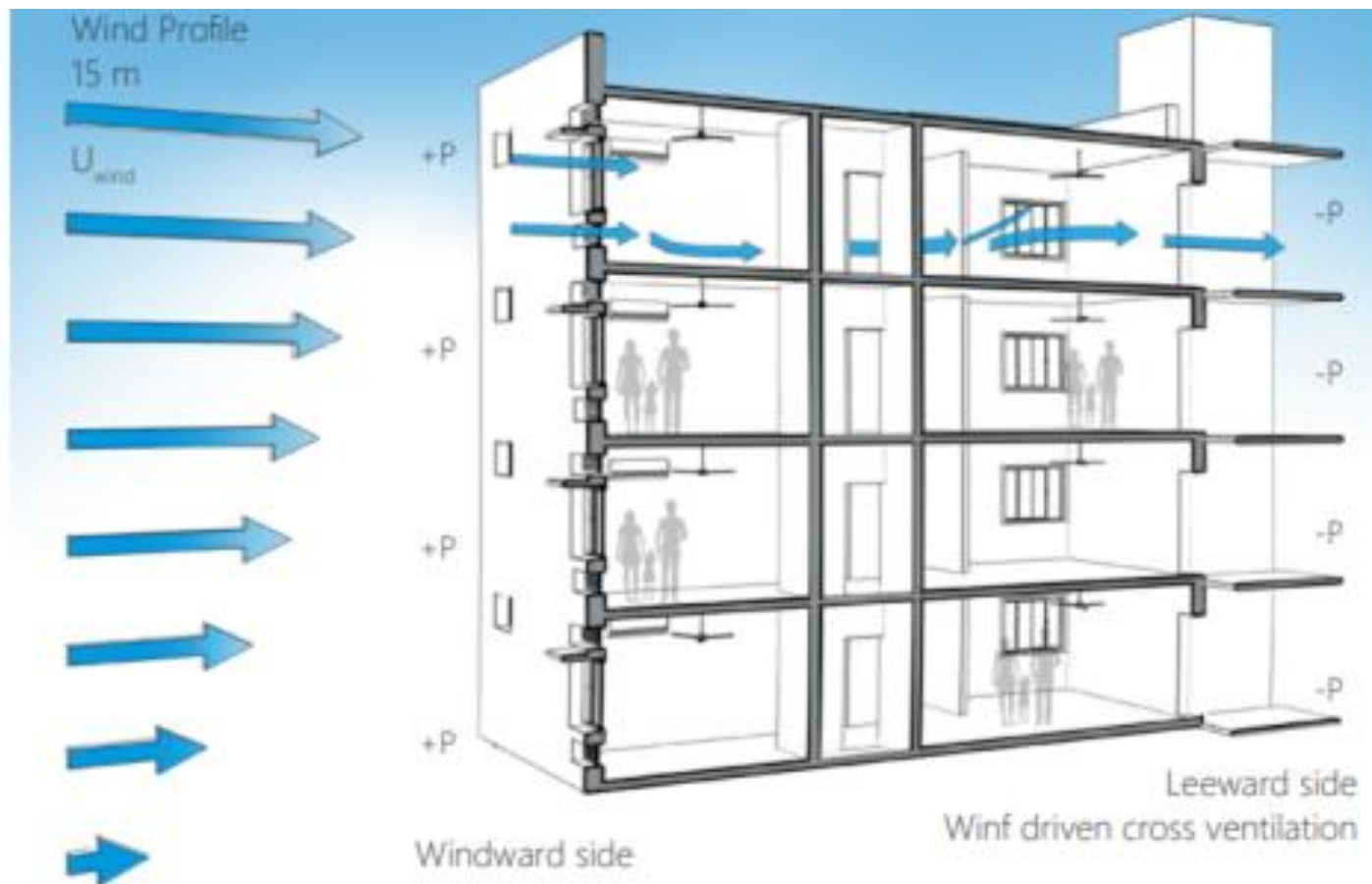


natural ventilation principles driven by buoyancy forces.  $+P$  denotes positive pressure regions and  $-P$  denotes negative pressure regions.

Source: (Cook, et al., 2020)



## Passive Strategies & Building Materials



Pressure distribution outside a building and resultant ventilation flow.

Source: (Cook, et al., 2020)



## Passive Strategies & Building Materials

The four most common configurations in Indian residential buildings are presented in design charts.

- buoyancy-driven flow; single-sided ventilation with one opening (Figure 64a)
- buoyancy-driven flow; cross ventilation with multiple openings (Figure 64b)
- wind-driven flow; single-sided ventilation with one opening (Figure 64c)
- wind-driven flow; cross ventilation with multiple openings (Figure 64d)

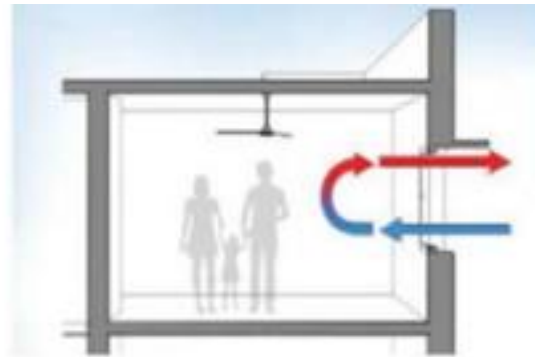


Figure 64a

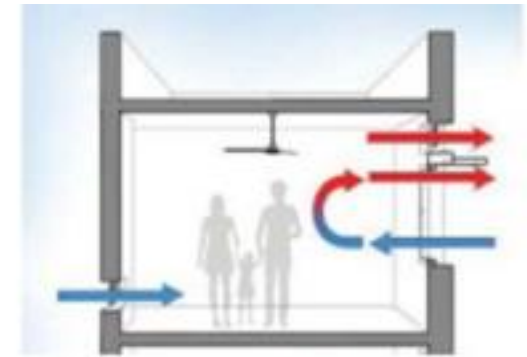


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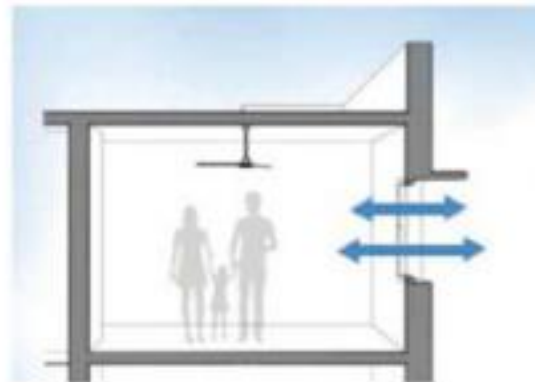


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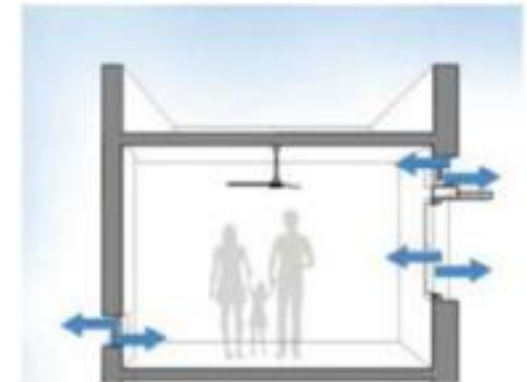


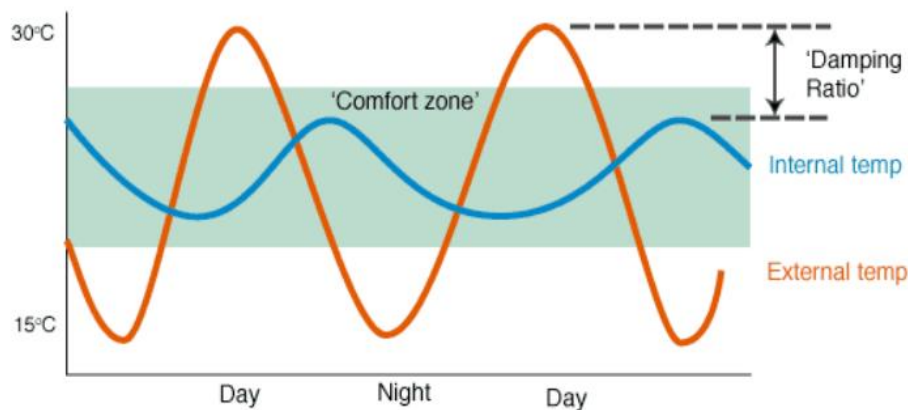
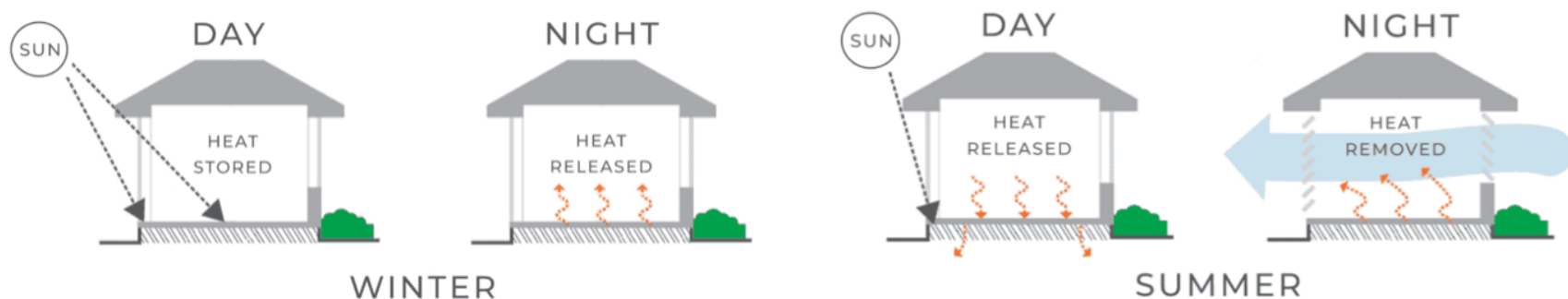
Figure 64d

Cross-section sketches of the driving forces for the natural ventilation systems presented in the four design charts.

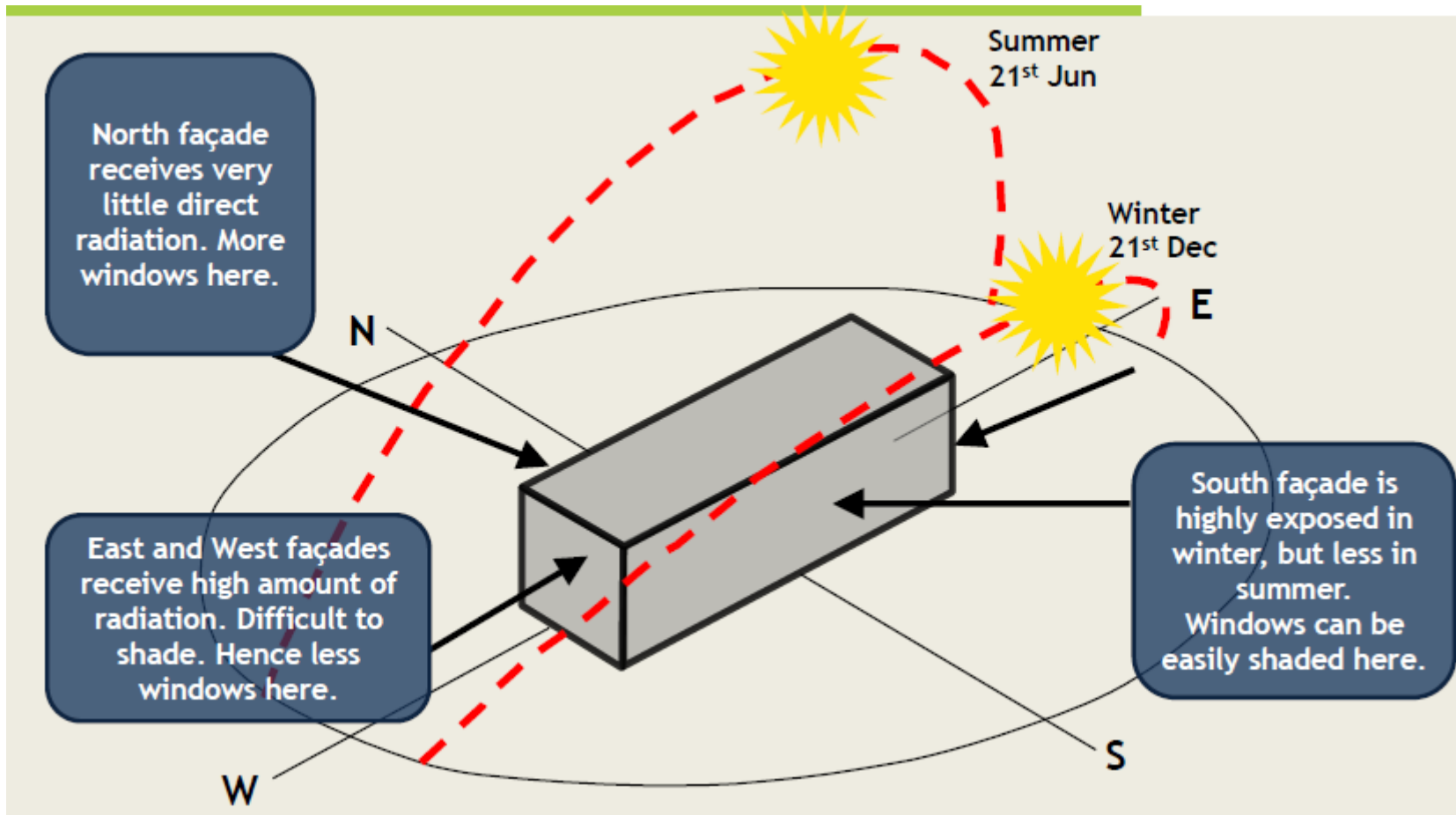
Source: (de Faria, et al., 2018)

## Passive Measures - Thermal Mass

- Denser thermal mass materials are more effective passive solar materials. Thus, denser the material the better it stores and releases heat.
- Integrate thermal mass with an efficient passive solar design, by considering the placement of added mass.
- Do not substitute thermal mass for insulation. It should be used in conjunction with insulation

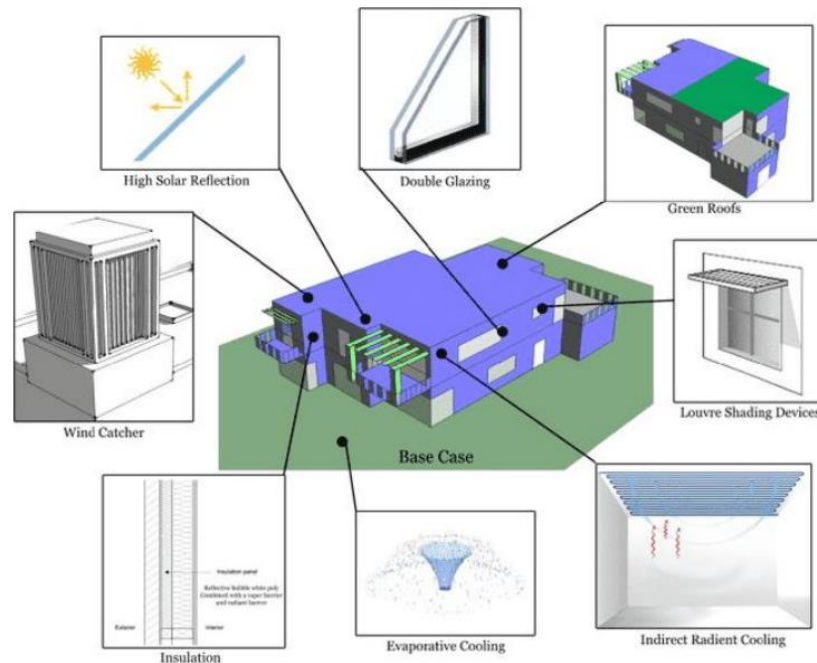


## Passive Measures - Orientation



## Passive Measures - Roof and Wall Materials

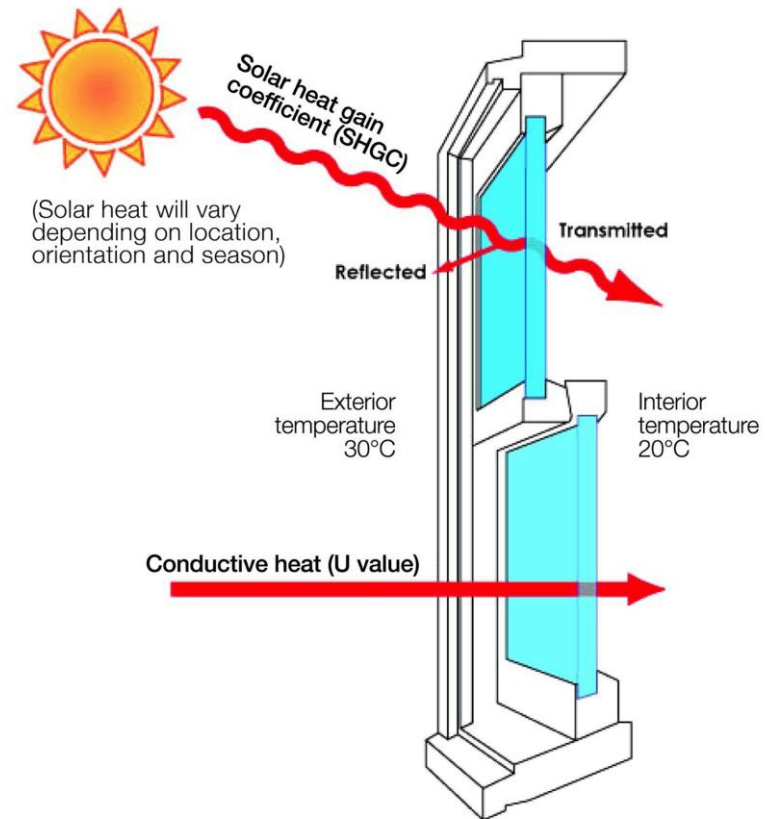
The properties of building materials act as building envelopes by resisting the external temperature and humidity, mostly influenced by indoor thermal comfort. The materials having lower thermal conductivity, thermal diffusivity, and absorptivity has the properties of less temperature swing on the inside surface of the walls compared to the materials with high thermal conductivity



- Green roofs.
- Louvre and shading devices.
- Insulation
- Low energy cooling techniques.
- Wind catchment and ventilation.
- Double glazed glass.
- High solar reflective surface.

## Passive Measures - Non Opaque Material Properties

- Three of the most important properties of the materials, coatings, and constructions that make up windows, skylights, translucent panels, or other products used to let sunlight into a building include:
  - Thermal conductance (*U-value*)
  - Solar Heat Gain Coefficient (*SHGC*)
  - Visible Light Transmittance (*VT*)
- Appropriate values for glazing properties vary by climate, size, and placement of the aperture.
- It's not unusual for a single building to have three, four, or even five different kinds of glazing for apertures in different sides and at different heights on a building.




## Passive Measures - Non Opaque Material Properties

### Thermal conductance (U-factor)


- U-factors measure thermal conductivity, the rate of heat transfer per unit area, per unit temperature difference from the hotter side to the colder side.
- The size of the air gap between glazings, the coatings on the glazings, the gas fill between glazings, and the frame construction all influence the U-factor.

# U-Value

The rate of heat loss through the glass



Heat

	Window Company Name double glazing low-E vertical slider
ENERGY PERFORMANCE RATINGS	
U-Factor (U.S.I-P) <b>0.34</b>	Solar Heat Gain Coefficient <b>0.31</b>

When heat escapes from inside the house to outside

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It causes the interior temperature to decrease

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Forcing owners to run the heater to bring the temperature back up to a comfortable level



## Passive Measures - Non Opaque Material Properties

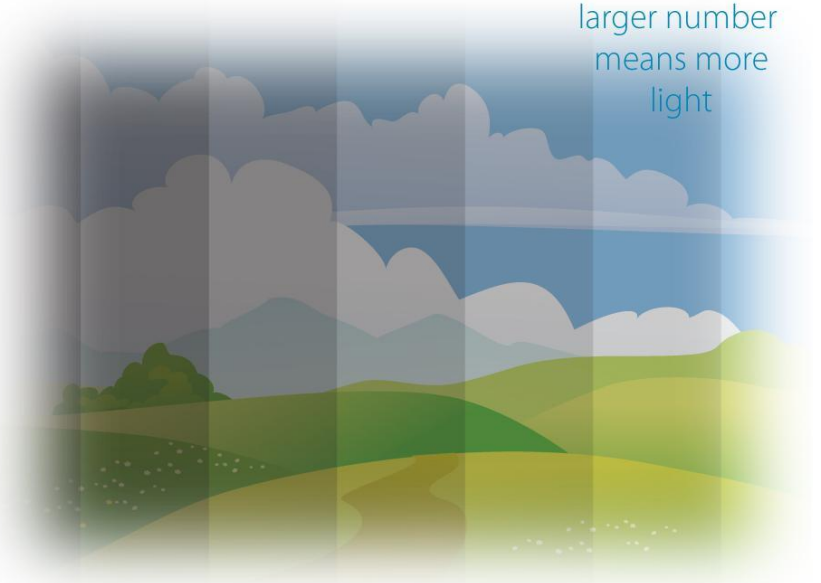
### Visible Light Transmittance (VT)

- The percentage of visible light that passes through a window or other glazing unit is called the Visible Light Transmittance (VT).
- More light is often not better, as it can cause glare and overheating. Tints, frits, and coatings can be chosen to produce any VT; common values are often 30 - 80%.
- VT is influenced by the color of the glass (clear glass has the highest VT) as well as by coatings and the number of glazings.

0 .1 .2 .3 .4 .5 .6 .7 .8 .9 1.0



larger number  
means more  
light






## Passive Measures - Non Opaque Material Properties


### Solar Heat Gain Coefficient (SHGC)

- Solar Heat Gain Coefficient (SHGC) measures how much of the incoming heat from sunlight gets transmitted into the building, versus how much is reflected away
- The SHGC is especially important in hot sunny climates (where cooling is the dominant thermal issue), and you should generally use glazing with lower SHGC. Buildings in cold climates should generally have higher SHGC to enable passive solar heating and to reduce heating loads.

# Solar Heat Gain Coefficient

The fraction of solar radiation entering through glass

	Window Company Name
double glazing low-E vertical slider	
ENERGY PERFORMANCE RATINGS	
U-Factor (U S.I. Pt)	Solar Heat Gain Coefficient
0.34	0.31



Sunlight hits the glass

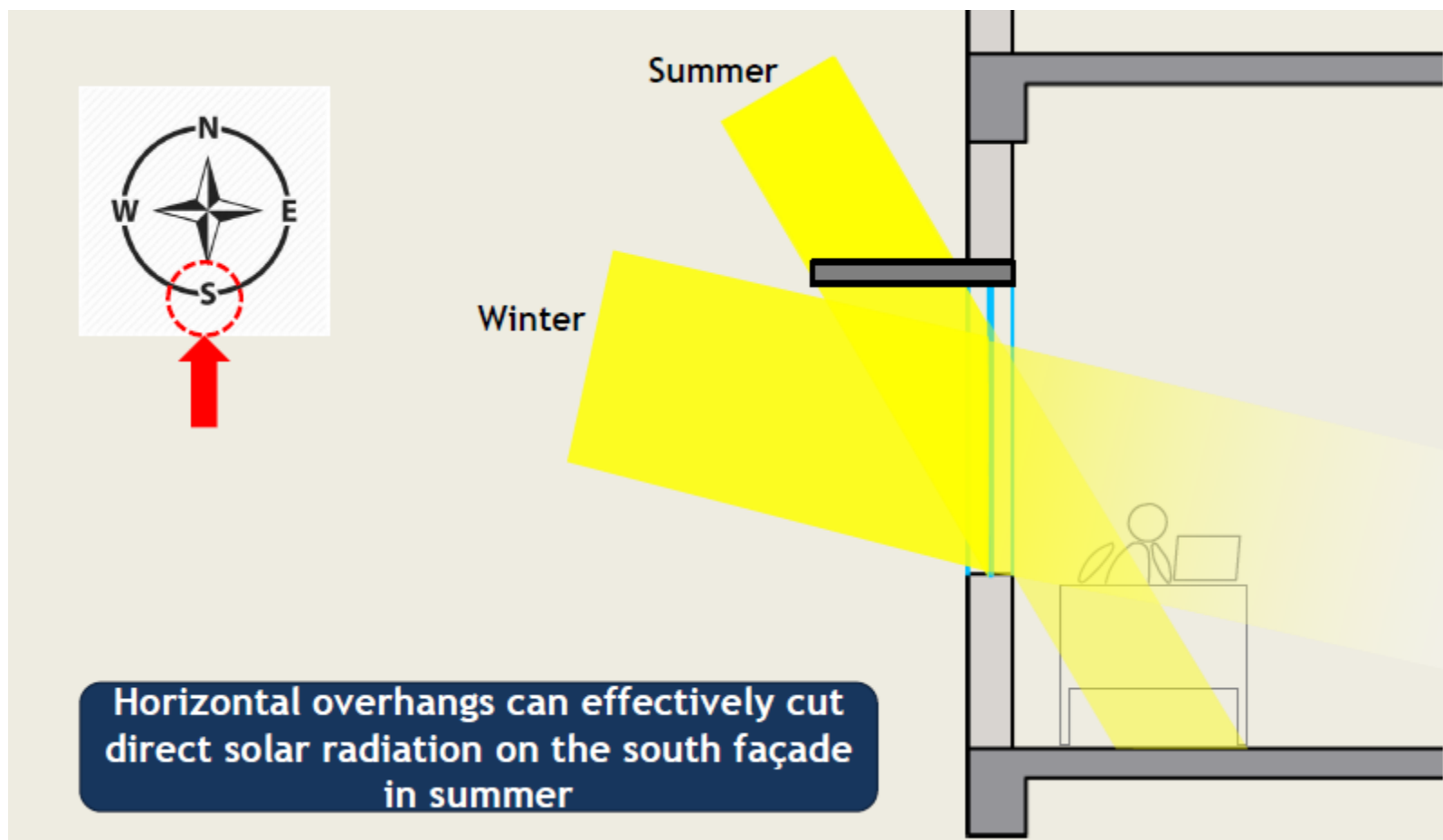
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Sunlight brings heat into the home through the glass

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Increased temperature forces owners in hot climates to run cooler; potentially reduces reliance on heater in cold climates

## Passive Measures - Shading

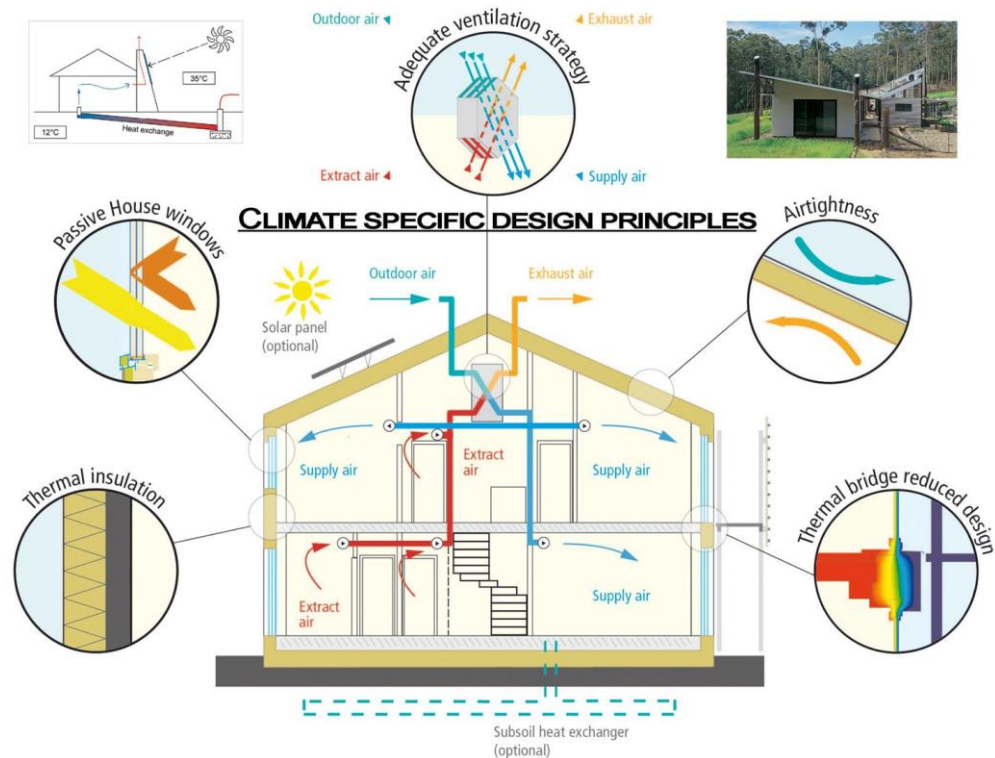


## Passive Measures - Climate Specific Design Interventions

The climate responsive design refers to **the architecture that reflects the particular region-specific weather conditions of the peculiar area**. It uses data of weather patterns and factors like sun, wind, rainfall, and humidity. The building structure is built according to the same.

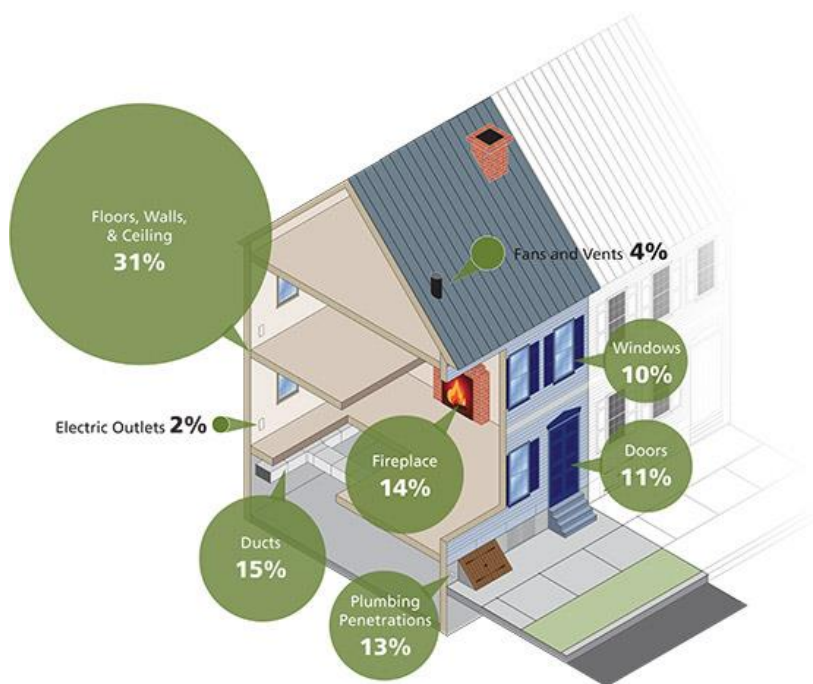
Factors Affecting Climatic Design:

- **Topography** - elevation, slopes, hills and valleys, ground surface conditions.
- **Vegetation** - height, mass, silhouette, texture, location, growth patterns.
- **Built forms** - nearby buildings, surface conditions. and ventilation heat flow.



## Passive Measures - Minimal Infiltration Losses

- Infiltration is **the unintentional or accidental introduction of outside air into a building, typically through cracks in the building envelope and through use of doors for passage.** Infiltration is sometimes called air leakage.
- Reducing air infiltration is often the first action item of a weatherization plan. Caulking cracks, sealing an unused fireplace, and adding weatherstripping are simple, low-cost improvements that can reduce air infiltration.



Typical places to check for air infiltration include:

- Electrical outlets, switches, and ceiling fixtures
- Operable features of windows and doors – check for a loose fit
- Window and door frames where they meet the wall
- Wall or window-mounted air conditioners
- Plumbing, electrical, cable, and telephone penetrations
- Ducts in unconditioned spaces.

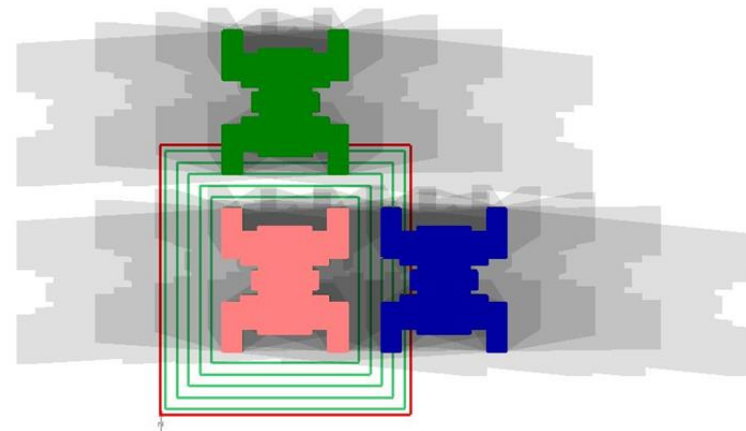
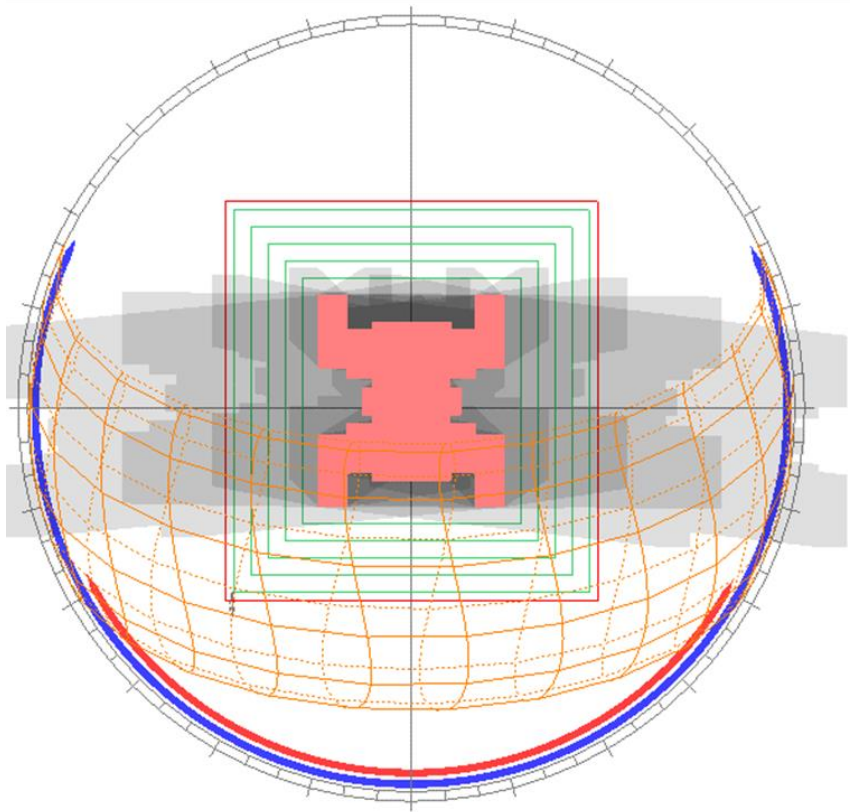
## Passive Measures - Mutual Shading

### Mutual Shading: June 21st

12 storey tower typology residential building

LATITUDE: 28.6°

LONGITUDE: 77.2

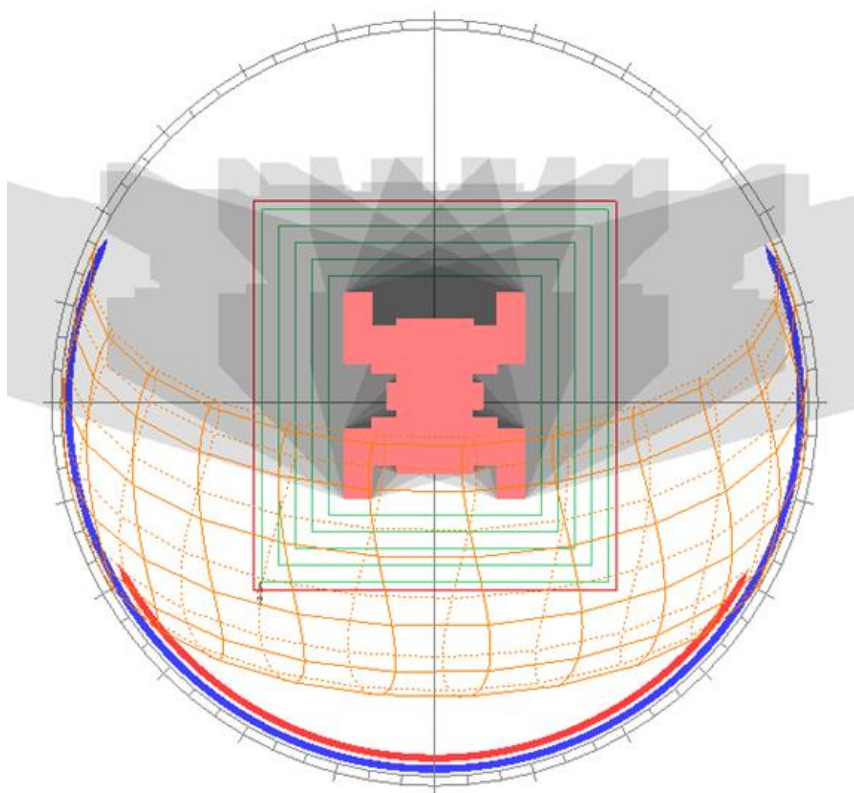




## Passive Measures - Mutual Shading

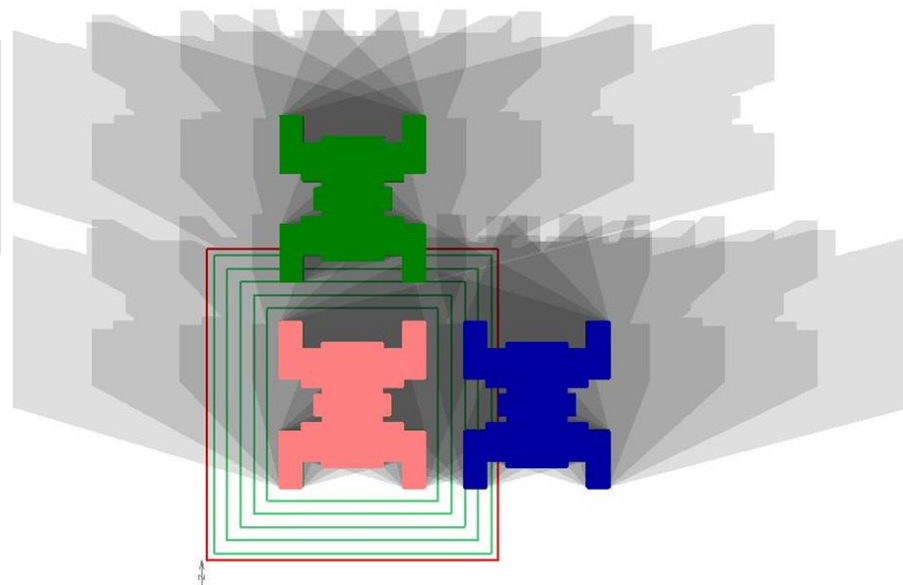
### Mutual Shading: April 1st

12 storey tower typology residential building

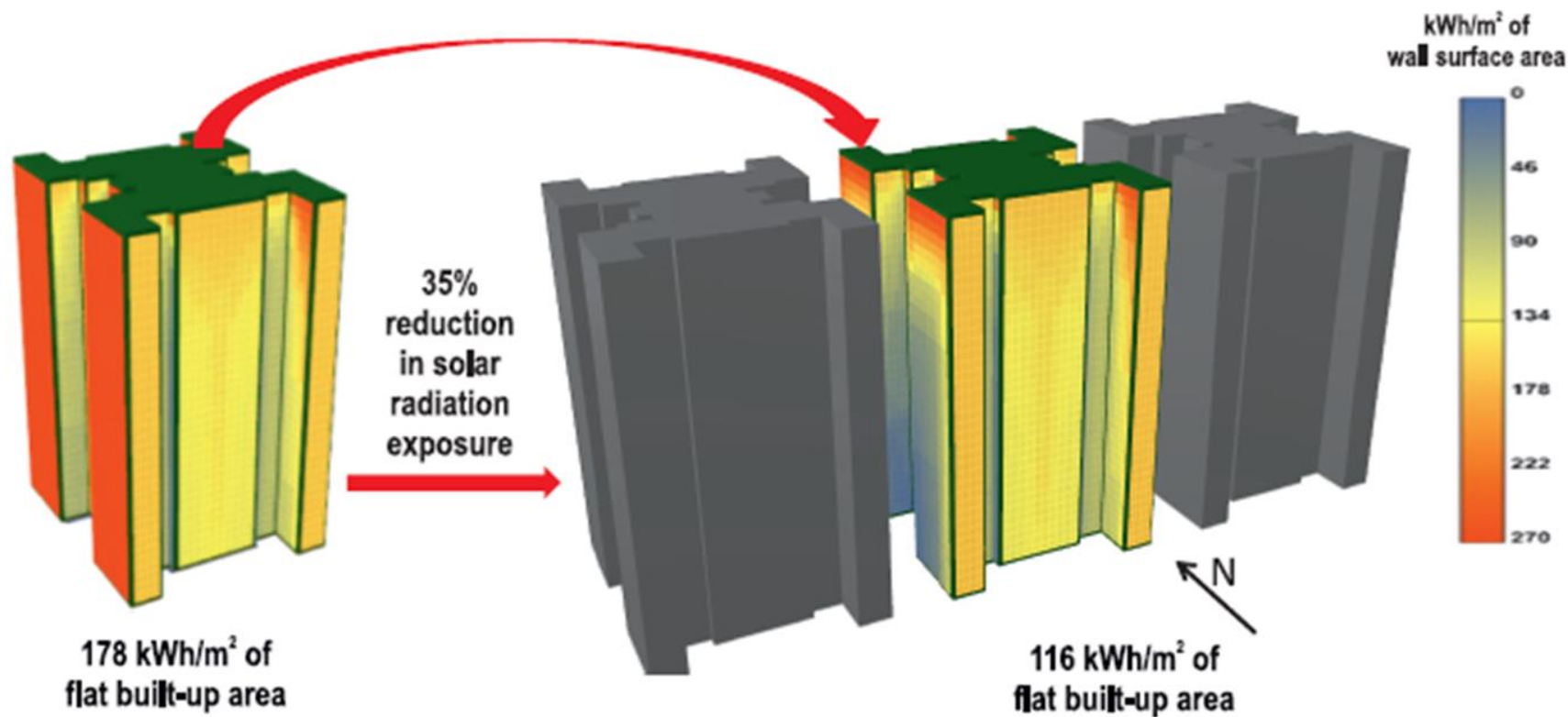


LATITUDE: 28.6°

LONGITUDE: 77.2°



## Passive Measures - Quantitative Impact of Mutual Shading





## Thermal Comfort Improvement through Materials

### Materials without Insulation

Wall materials	U Value (W/sqmK)
150 mm RCC (No plaster)	3.77
200 mm Solid Concrete Block with plaster on both sides	2.8
230 mm Brick with plaster on both sides	1.72-2.24
200 mm Autoclaved Aerated Concrete (AAC) with plaster on both side	0.77
300 mm Autoclaved Aerated Concrete (AAC) with plaster on both side	0.54

## Thermal Comfort Improvement through Materials



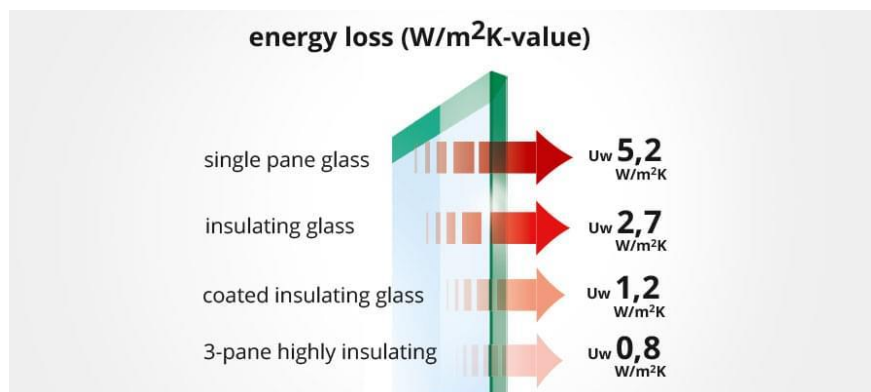
EPS Insulation



XPS Insulation

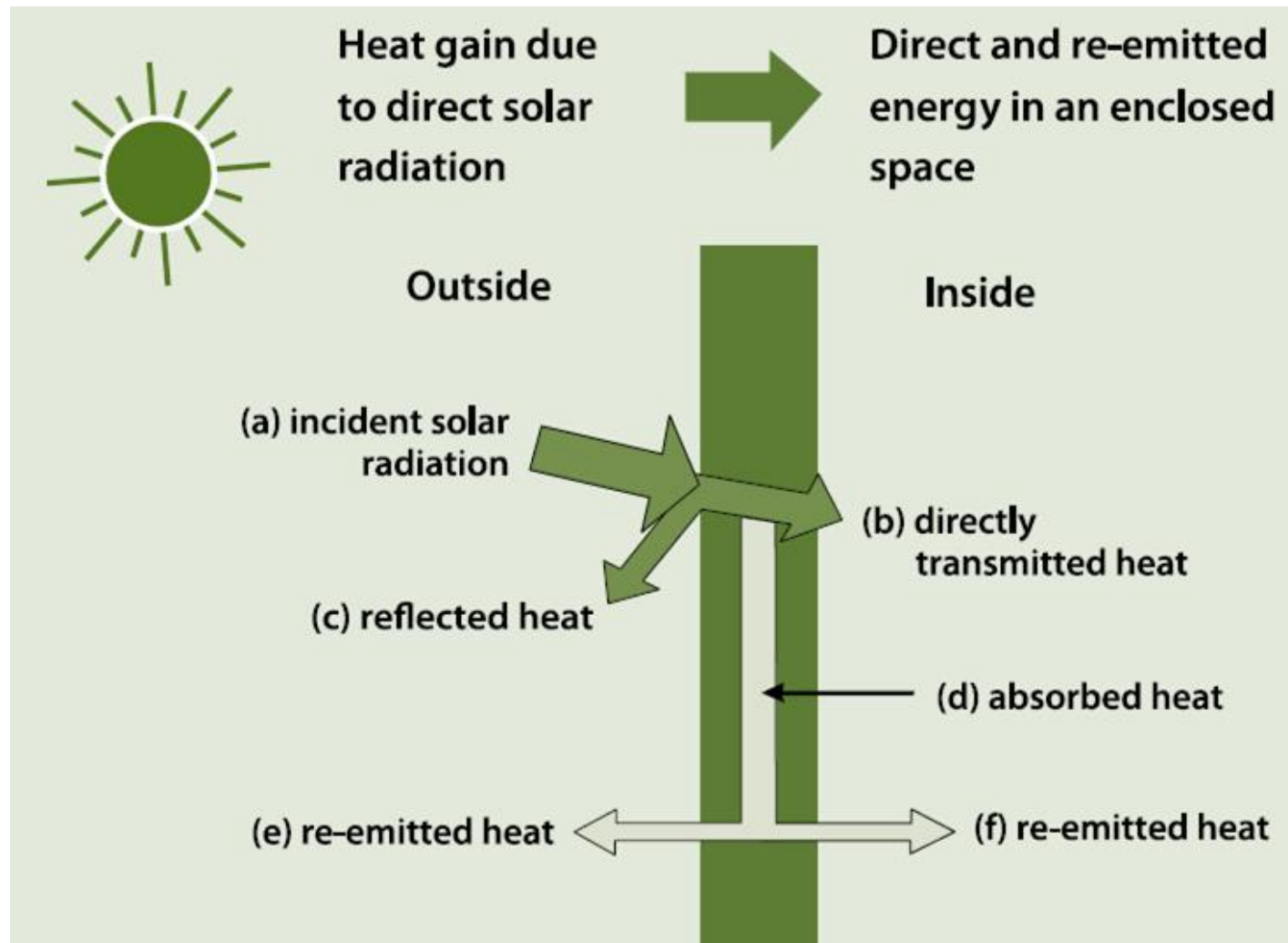


Glass Mineral  
Wool



Glazing Options

## Thermal Comfort Improvement through Materials



## Thermal Comfort Improvement through Materials

### Glazing Selection

#### U-value / U-factor

- Conductive Heat Transfer
- Thermal conductivity (W/sqmK)
- Glass & Frame
- Lower the better??

#### SHGC – Solar Heat Gain Coefficient

- Radiation Transmission
- Amount of Heat passes through the glass
- Lower the better??

#### VLT – Visual Light Transmission

- Light passing through the glass
- Ratio
- Useful light vs Glare
- Higher the better??

#### Selectivity

- VLT / Solar Factor
- Ratio
- Higher the better??

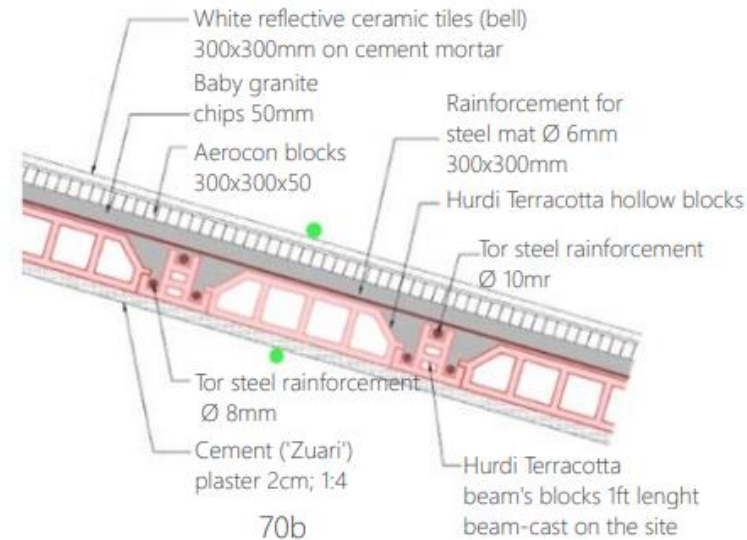
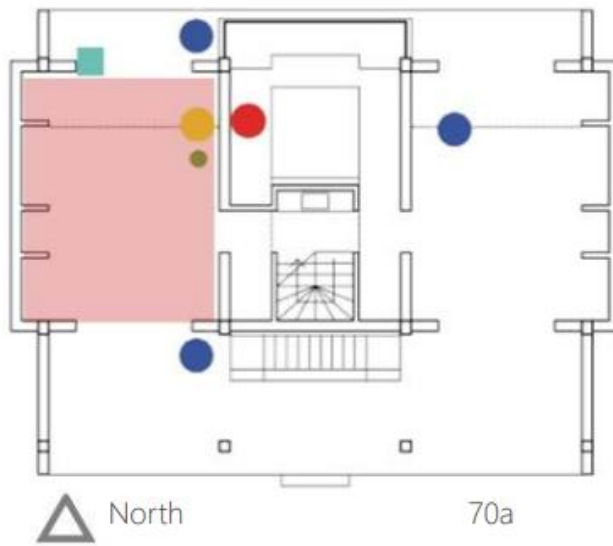
## Case Study- The Blessing House, Auroville, India

This section presents a case study (Doctor-Pingel, Vardhan, Manu, Brager, & Rawal, 2019) of a residential building in warm-humid climate experienced in Auroville, India.

<b>Building</b>	Blessing House (AV)
<b>Storeys and rooms</b>	G+1 with 2 rooms and a mezzanine
<b>Function</b>	Private Residence and Workplace
<b>Built-up Area (m<sup>2</sup>)</b>	107
<b>Zone under study (m<sup>2</sup>)</b>	24
<b>Hours Occupied/ Unoccupied</b>	Always Occupied
<b>No. of Occupants</b>	2-3
<b>Zones/Features Studied</b>	Bedroom, Aerocon Insulated Roof Assembly, Balcony (Night Flushing)
<b>Monitoring Period</b>	SEP 2013-AUG 2014

The Blessing House is a two-story residential building with a home office. The design and construction of the house involves multiple passive design strategies. One of them is the roof assembly.

## Case Study- The Blessing House, Auroville, India



Blessing house architectural and monitoring details; 70a- Position of HOBOLoggers for monitoring the occupied zone; Yellow dot- HOBOLogger A(RH/Tair/lux), Red dot- HOBOLogger B 2ch(RH/ Tair), Blue dot- HOBOLogger D(RH, T), Green dot- Surface temperature sensor; Green square- logger to record open/close state of balcony window; 70b- Roof construction detail;

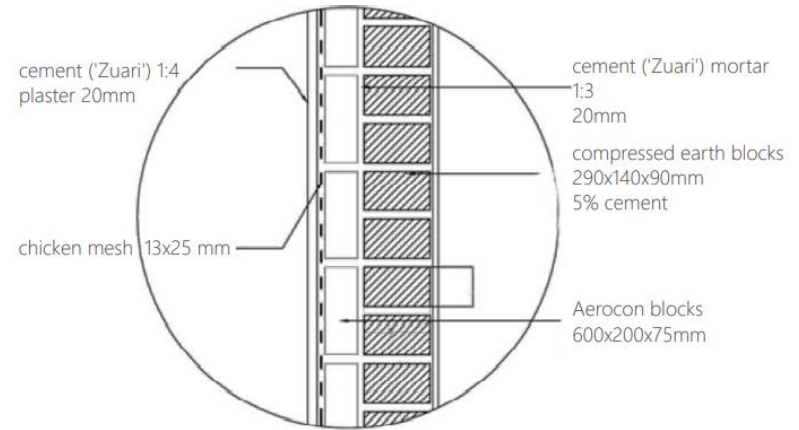
Source: (Doctor-Pingel & Vardhan, Blessing House: Post Occupancy Analysis, 2017);

Moving from indoors to outdoors, the roof assembly consists of hurdi terracotta hollow blocks with reinforcement, a layer of cement concrete followed by AAC blocks and finished with white reflective ceramic tiles on top. The inside surface is finished with cement plaster.

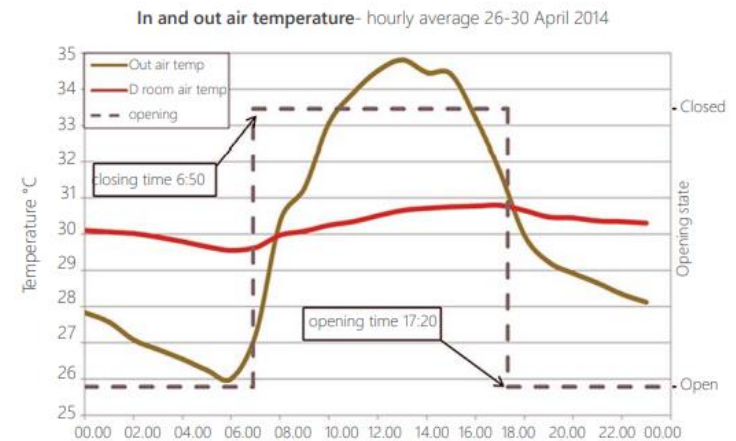


## Case Study- The Blessing House, Auroville, India

- Another prominent construction material-based passive design feature of the house is the walling assembly consisting of compressed earth blocks shown.
- Moving towards outdoors, the compressed earth block layer is followed by a layer of Aerocon blocks, also known as AAC (Aerated Autoclaved Concrete) blocks.
- Both inside and outside surfaces of the assembly are finished with cement plaster.
- The compressed stabilized earth blocks layer (CSEB) renders high thermal mass to the assembly preventing the loss of indoor coolth through walls.
- Additionally, AAC blocks offer better insulation; thus, preventing heat from outdoors to enter the house.



Walling assembly in Blessing House located in Auroville, India



Daytime closing and nighttime opening of windows prevents excessive temperature rise indoors in the Blessing House.

Source: (Doctor-Pingel, Vardhan, Manu, Brager, & Rawal, 2019)



## Case Study- The Blessing House, Auroville, India

### Key takeaways from the case study:

- Identifying the most efficient design-based and construction material based passive design measures for given building and climate is crucial to achieve maximum performance.
- Ensuring design details such as effective area of window openings and ventilation flow rates provides opportunity for the strategies to perform with efficiency
- In addition to designing and building with passive design strategies, it is equally relevant to operate buildings, specifically for ventilation-based strategies in accordance with the design measures.

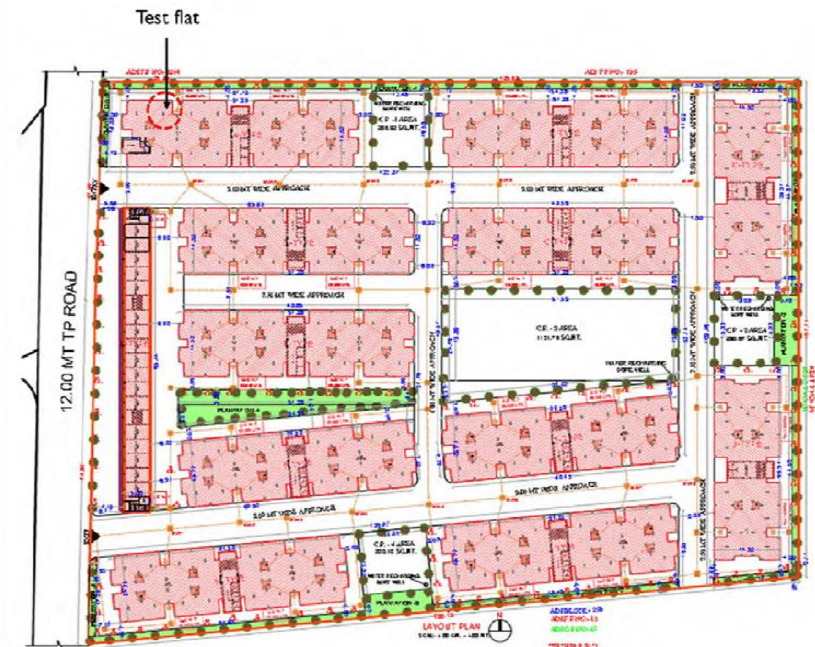
## Case Study : Smart Ghar, Rajkot

### A CASE STUDY ON DESIGN OF THERMALLY COMFORTABLE AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN COMPOSITE CLIMATE: SIMULATION RESULTS & MONITORED PERFORMANCE

by

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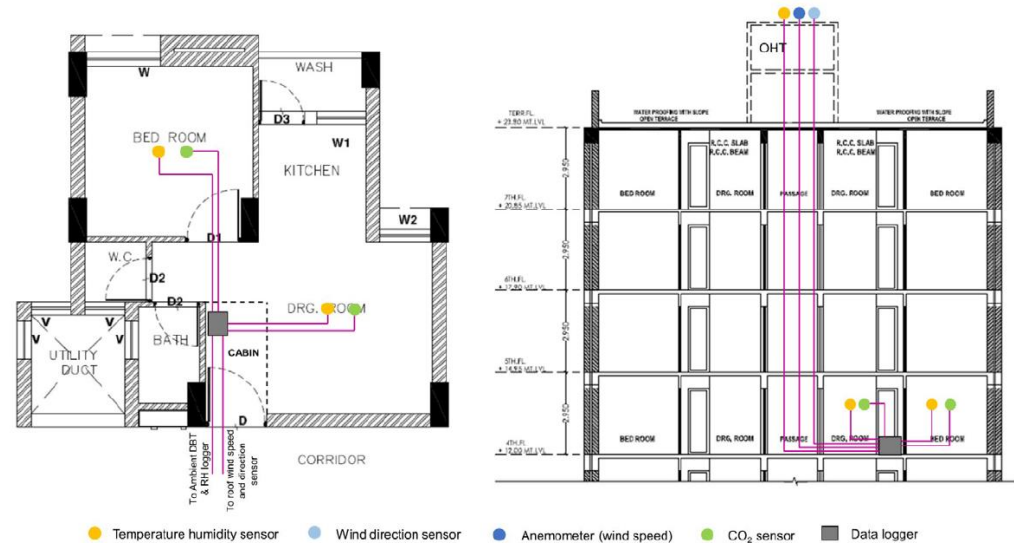
- Project Type - *PMAY Housing*
- Location - *Rajkot*
- Dwelling Units - *1176*
- DU Area - *33.6 m<sup>2</sup>*
- Ext Wall – *200mm AAC (E&N) & Cavity Wall (200mm AAC + 40mm air gap + 200mm AAC) (W&S Side)*
- Casement windows – *for ventilation improvement*
- Window shading – *Overhang & Side fins*
- *Glazed window*



## Case Study : Smart Ghar, Rajkot

### Validation by Software

- Simulated period - **May 12, 2019 to May 22, 2019**
- Software used - **DesignBuilder 4.7**  
(EnergyPlus 8.3 simulation engine)

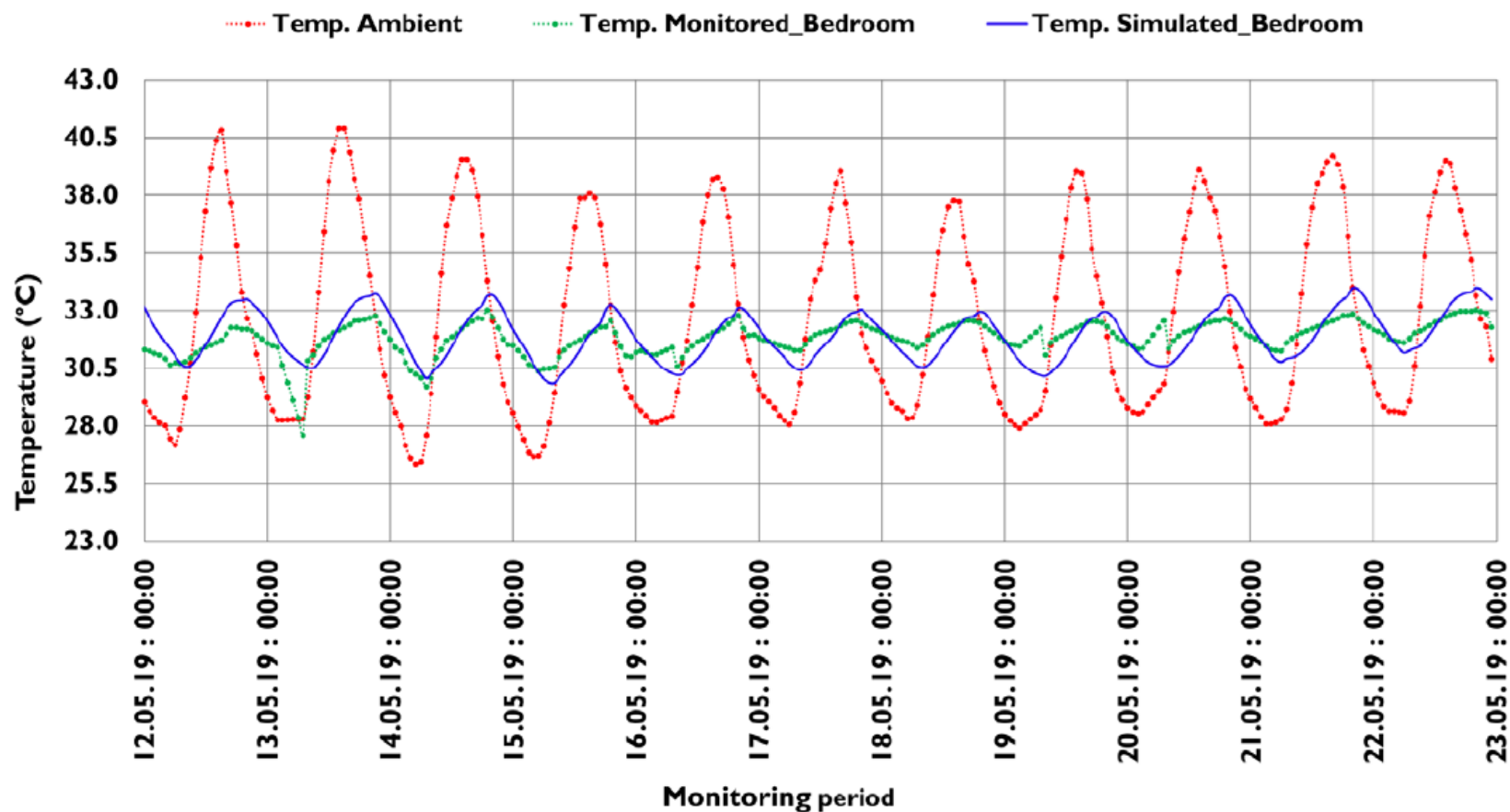


### Results

- Indoor temperature for the bedroom goes up to a **maximum average of 32.7°C during the day** and minimum average of 30.6°C early morning. The maximum average **ambient temperature was 39.3°C**, while the average minimum ambient temperature was 27.8 °C.
- Thus compared to the diurnal variation of 11.5 °C in the ambient temperatures, the diurnal variation in indoor temperature was only 2.1 °C.

## Case Study : Smart Ghar, Rajkot

### Observations



## Case Study : Smart Ghar, Rajkot

### Results

- For the present study, the **Indian Model for Adaptive Comfort (IMAC)** is chosen as the thermal comfort model. It is observed that all hours of the monitored period falls **within the 80% acceptability limits** whereas 87% of the monitored period falls within the 90% acceptability limits.

### Conclusion

- The results of the monitoring show a **quantifiable impact of building envelope** (both construction material and openings for ventilation) on **internal temperatures**.*
- It shows that with building envelope interventions it is possible to get **maximum average temperature of 32°C in summer** when the average maximum ambient temperature is 39°C, thus, increasing comfortable hours and reducing the need for air-conditioning.*

## CASE STUDIES

### Case Studies for Application of Thermal Comfort in Affordable Housing

The study established a time duration of one year to observe thermal performance of the spaces in all seasons. The study also sought to understand the various behavioural adaptations of the occupants during different seasons and their impact on their thermal comfort perception in the given indoor environment. Objective and subjective measurements were recorded to account for occupant adaptations, thermal perceptions, and expectations in defining the range of comfort temperatures. The field tests included half-hourly measurements of both outdoor and indoor conditions for the metrics- air temperature, relative humidity, and illumination levels for 25 days in each season (January: winter, April: pre summer, July: summer/rainy and October: pre winter).

## CASE STUDIES

Features	Warm and Humid	Cool and Humid (Urban)	Cold and cloudy
<b>Built up-area</b>	94 sq. m.	77 sq. m.	44 sq. m.
<b>Wall material and thickness</b>	Brick, cement, and sand (0.127 m)	Processed mud and bamboo (0.076 m)	Rock slab, cement, and sand (0.20 m–0.25 m)
<b>False ceiling and roof type</b>	Asbestos sheet/wood. Galvanized tin sheet and tilted on two sides	Rare. Galvanized tin sheet and tilted on three sides	Asbestos sheet/ cane/bamboo mat/ wood. Galvanized tin sheet and tilted on four sides
<b>Ventilation</b>	High ventilation	Medium ventilation	Low ventilation
<b>Layout and orientation</b>	Open layout with courtyard; No specific orientation	Courtyard in rural housing only; East– west orientation and south facing	No courtyard; South sloping and east– west orientation
<b>Prominent passive features</b>	Air gap in ceiling, shading, extended roof used as overhang, chimney arrangement for effective ventilation	Houses are compact, proper care for ventilation	More compact, minimum surface to volume ratio, south sloping to receive maximum sun



## Warm and Humid



## Cool and Humid (Urban)



## Cold and cloudy





## CASE STUDIES

### Results

Indoor temperature swings are **within 10°C** for all months in the case of representative houses located in warm-humid and cool-humid climates which is permissible limit for naturally ventilated buildings.

For the representative house in the cold and cloudy climate, the temperature swings are higher. This can be attributed to lower insulation and thermal inertia of walls than required.

Larger adaptability in Tezpur and Imphal as observed indicates higher adaptability of occupants in naturally ventilated buildings.

None of the houses exhibit significantly thermally comfortable environments in the winter months

Occupants have **enhanced control** over indoor environments in the vernacular houses because they have the flexibility to control their personal and environmental conditions in the form of different adaptations.

For all the cases studied, range of comfort temperatures lies between 6°C and 7.3°C.

## CASE STUDIES

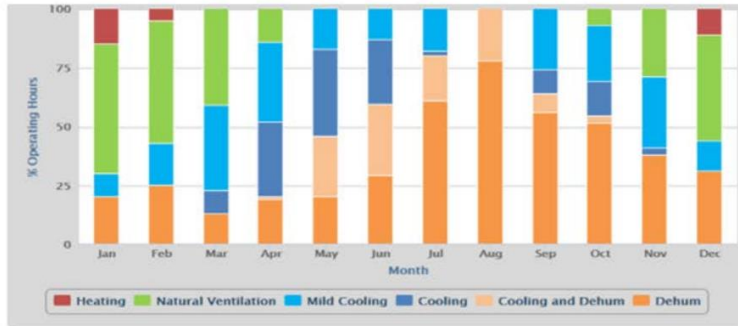
### Conventional Houses in Ahmedabad

A comparison of thermal performance of pol houses (PH) with contemporary houses (CH) in the city of Ahmedabad is discussed in this case study. The climate of Ahmedabad is classified as hot-dry according to the National Building Code of India (BIS, 2016).

The study estimates the percentage of different operation modes for the building using the adaptive thermal comfort model described in ASHRAE Standard-55 (ASHRAE, 2013).

Additionally, the outdoor conditions were measured using an outdoor weather station installed centrally in the city. It provided the readings for outdoor air temperature, relative humidity, solar radiation, wind speed, wind direction and precipitation.

## CASE STUDIES



Estimated operation modes for a typical building in Ahmedabad

Plans of Pol House (PH) and Conventional House (CH) with data logger positions (green dots) and photographs

## Conclusions

- Mutual shading in case of Pol houses ensures that the roof is the only surface exposed to direct solar irradiance. Additionally, vertical distribution of the total area further reduces the roof area. Hence closer look at the air temperature and relative humidity components may suggest the source of discomfort in pol houses as higher humidity levels.
- The contemporary houses are designed with lighter construction materials and have larger floor plates as compared to pol houses. However, their thermal performance does not differ significantly than the pol houses.

## CASE STUDIES

### Rajkot Smart GHAR III

The Smart GHAR III in Rajkot is an affordable housing project under PMAY Untenable Slum Redevelopment. Some of the project details are listed below (Indo-Swiss Building Energy Efficiency Project (BEEP), 2021):

Site Area: 17,593 m<sup>2</sup>

Built-up Area: 57,408 m<sup>2</sup>

No. of dwelling units (DU): 1176

Type of dwelling units: 1bhk

Built-up area per DU: 33.6 m<sup>2</sup>

Carpet area per DU: 29 m<sup>2</sup>

No. of residential towers: 11

No. of floors: Stilt + 7



Site layout for Rajkot Smart GHAR-III (PMAY) project. Source: (Rawal, Shukla, Patel , Desai, & Asrani, 2021)

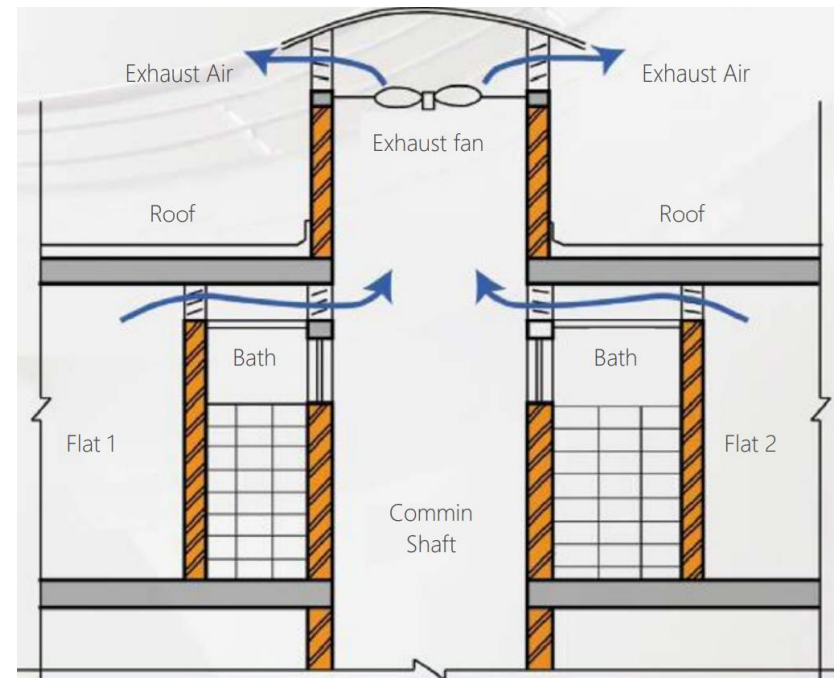


## CASE STUDIES

The energy efficiency measures proposed and implemented in Smart GHAR III are described below:

- Reducing heat gains through walls and roof
- Improving Ventilation through shaft design
- Reducing heat gains through window design

and ventilation



Improving ventilation through common service shaft.  
Source: (Rawal, Shukla, Patel , Desai, & Asrani, 2021)

## Q&A

## Feedback

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