

Alumni Talks - Session-1

As the final-year students in the B.Arch, M.Arch, B.Plan, and M.Plan programs are entering the crucial phase of their thesis compilation, the 'Executive Committee – SPAB Alumni Association' has organized an interactive session aimed at providing guidance and inspiration to the students as they navigate through the final stages of their thesis work. Scrutinizing and finalizing the data/deliverables becomes a crucial part at this stage. Making the hard-work done more presentable is of utmost importance and it also helps in creating an impactful portfolio for job.

The first session of “**Alumni Talks**” was organized on 26th April 2025 at the SPA-B campus. The session featured three of our distinguished ‘*Award winning Thesis Alumni*’, who interacted with the ‘Final Year Students’ over the topic :-

Compiling your Architecture, Planning & Design Thesis for an Impactful Presentation.

The alumni shared their experiences and insights on how effectively students should wind-up their thesis data, compile it and what to present on sheets, what to keep for handy notes and finally how and what to speak while presenting their thesis.

The alumni also showcased their own thesis sheets and disclosed valuable insights on how they approached their own thesis compilation, giving students a unique opportunity to learn from those who have successfully navigated the same process and gained recognition nationally.



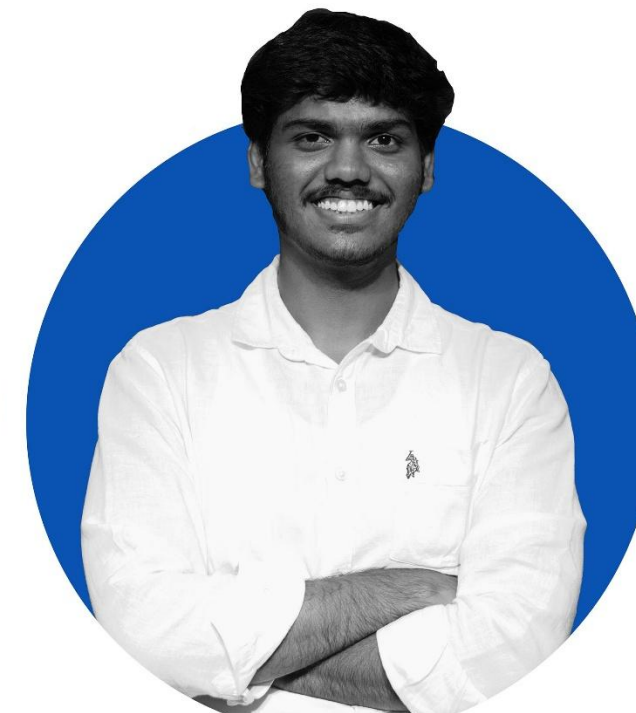
Compiling your Architecture, Planning & Design Thesis for an Impactful Presentation

26th April 2025 | 2:30 PM- 4:00 PM | Satpura Bhavan, SPA-B Campus, Bhauri



S. GAYATHRI
M.PLAN -2024 BATCH

1st at Best Thesis Awards-2024
ITPI MP Chapter



SANATH KUMAR SHIVUNI
B.ARCH -2024 BATCH

COA Best Thesis Award-2025
AYA JK Best Student of Architecture-2024
Christopher Beninger Excellence Gold Medal 2024



MUNIBA
M.DES -2021 BATCH

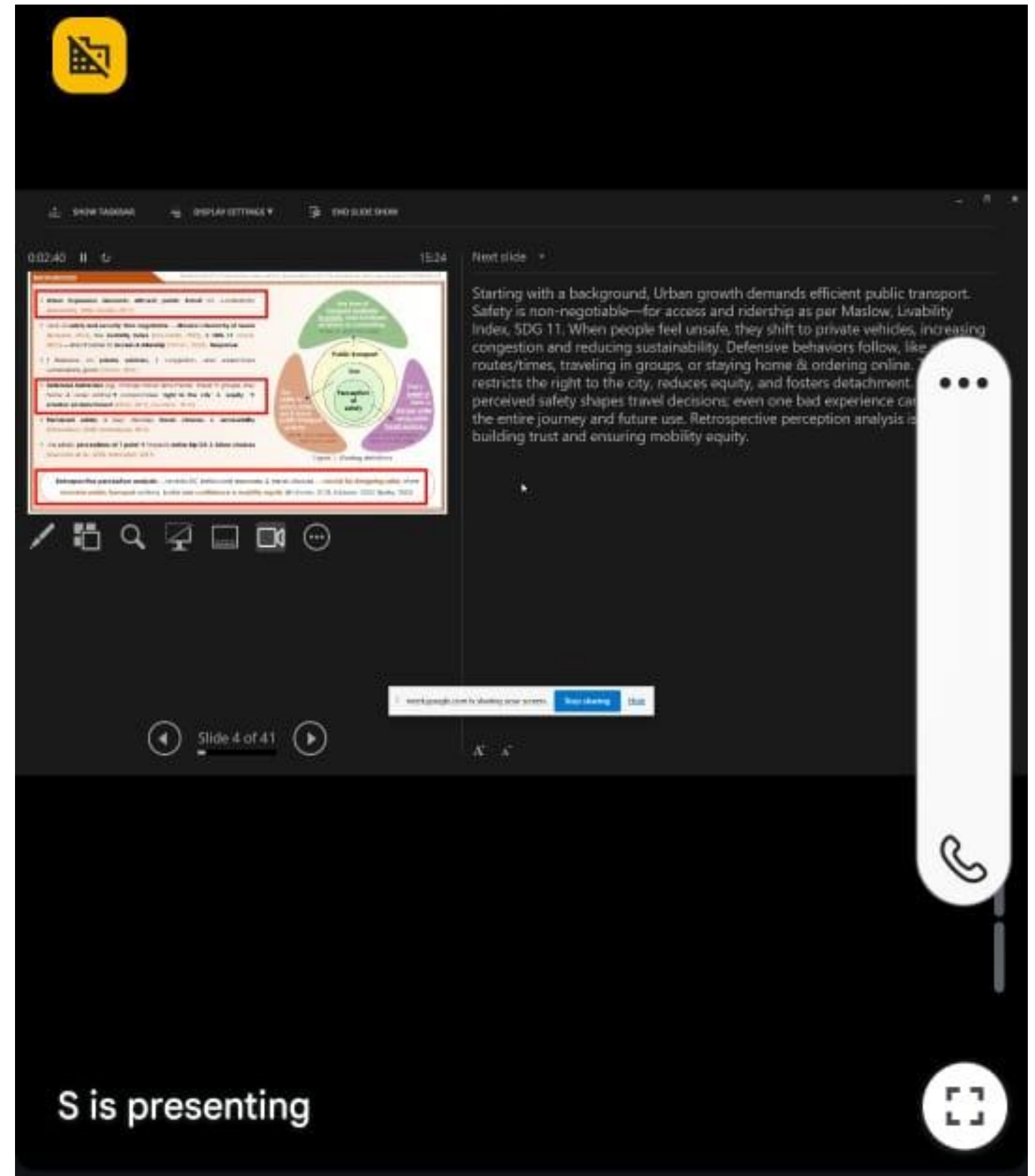
DoD Best Thesis
Sponsored by CHCR (SPAB) & DIC

The session was in offline as well as in online mode and featured three of our distinguished alumni who have won awards for their best thesis or have received recognition for their exceptional work.

- **S. Gayathri (M.Plan) (Offline)**
1st at Best thesis award-2024 for UG thesis by ITPI MP Regional Chapter
- **Sanath Kumar Shivuni (B.Arch) (On-line)**
COA best thesis award at Bangalore on 22-01-2025. Awarded the AYA JK Best Student of Architecture award in 2024. Recipient of the Christopher Beninger Excellence Gold Medal 2024 for students of Architecture.
- **Muniba (M.Des) (On-line)**
(Universal Design Fellowship project- Sponsored by Centre for human centric research (CHCR) at SPAB and DIC. Project display at 4th DIC'24 All India Meet, hosted by IITH. Project display at URBAN INNOVATIONS CONFERENCE, 2024 at SPAB. Paper presentation in ICORD'25 at IITH.

The speakers detailed out over the following points.

- Structure their thesis documentation effectively for clarity and impact.
- Develop compelling visual narratives through drawings, models, and digital representations.
- Craft engaging and concise presentation scripts.
- Confidently articulate their design concepts and research findings.
- Preparing handy notes for precise figures and data.
- Flown of the presentation, confident communication with clarity & body language.
- Anticipate and address potential questions from a jury.
- Leverage their thesis portfolio for future career opportunities..



2.2 Global Perspectives On Safety

Determinants of perceived user safety associated with the access to and use of public transport

NYC subways:
3x more physical altercations, social norms normalize male vulnerability

Black & Hispanic face 2.5x more verbal harassment than White (NYC DOT, 2021)
Intersectionality (Crenshaw, 1989)

Mexico Metro:
Women-only cars cut reports by 45%, but cases moved to stations & exits (IDB, 2022).
Displacement Theory (Felson, 1994)

LEGEND

- Least Developed Countries
- Developing countries
- Economies in Transition
- Developed Countries

Women: Safety vs. Financial Cost Trade-off
Men: High risk of robbery and assaults at night
LGBTQIA+: PT avoidance due to hate crimes
Children: Parental Risk Aversion (Gielen et al., 2018)
Older Adults: Fear of crime + lack of accessibility
Differently abled: Legal right vs. practical accessibility

Amsterdam:
Child-free policies on rush-hour buses sparked debate over family-friendly transport design. (Maciejewska, 2024)

NORTH AMERICA
Racial & Socioeconomic Intersectionality in Safety Perception (Juan, 2016)

MENA Region
Social Contract, Financial Barriers & Access Issues (Loewe, 2018)

LATIN AMERICA
High Gender-Based Violence, Pioneer in Feminist Advocacy, Policy Interventions (Neumann, 2018)

Brazil:
Mobility of care, Trip-chaining, Pink-tax (Fisher, 1995) (21% cost ↑)

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA
Mobility as Function of Economic Class, Sexual Violence in Informal Transp. (Hendrickson et al., 2021)

MENA Region: (Tolino, 2020) LGBTQIA+ face legal risks using PT in conservative states

France:
€750 catcalling fine (2018), yet 62% feel unsafe in night transit (2023).
Societal expectations & laws reduce harassment tolerance (shift norms: Normative theory), but fear persists (Fehr, 2004).

WESTERN EUROPE
High Institutional Trust, Low Safety Tolerance (Schaap, 2014)

CHINA
AI-Based Surveillance vs. Cultural Taboos on Reporting (Shi-Kang, 2023)

SOUTH ASIA
Harassment, Financial Dependence (Gautam, 2023)

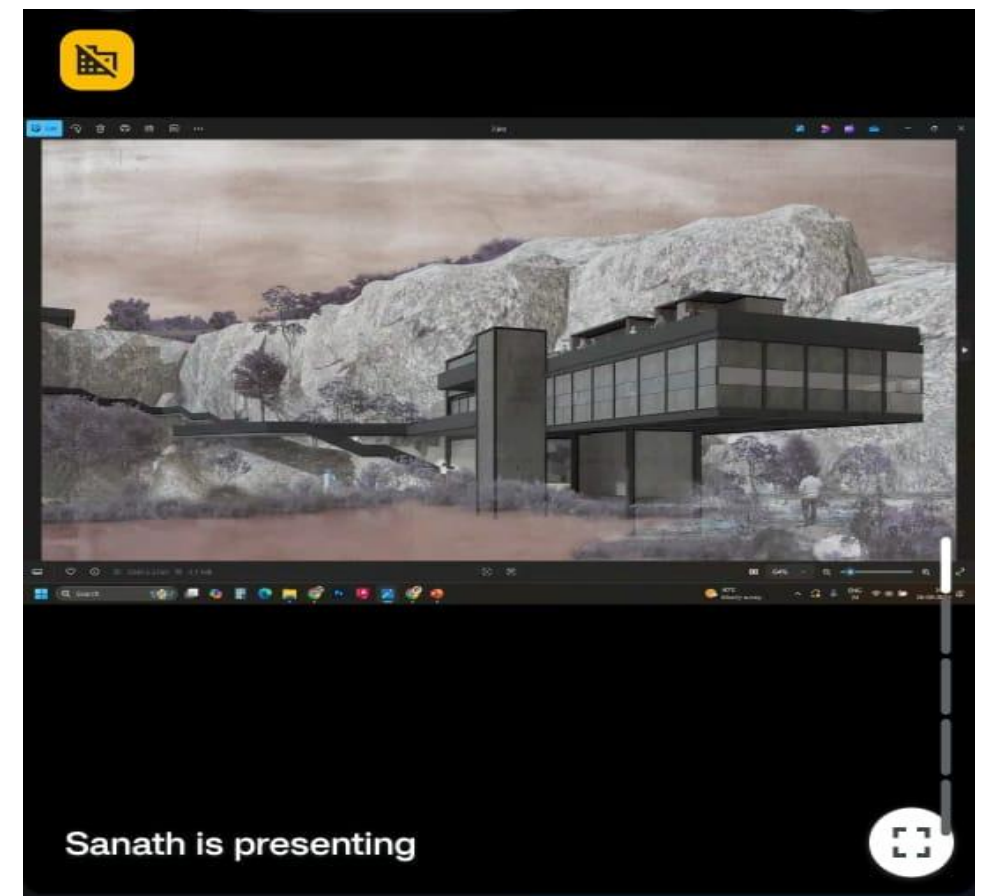
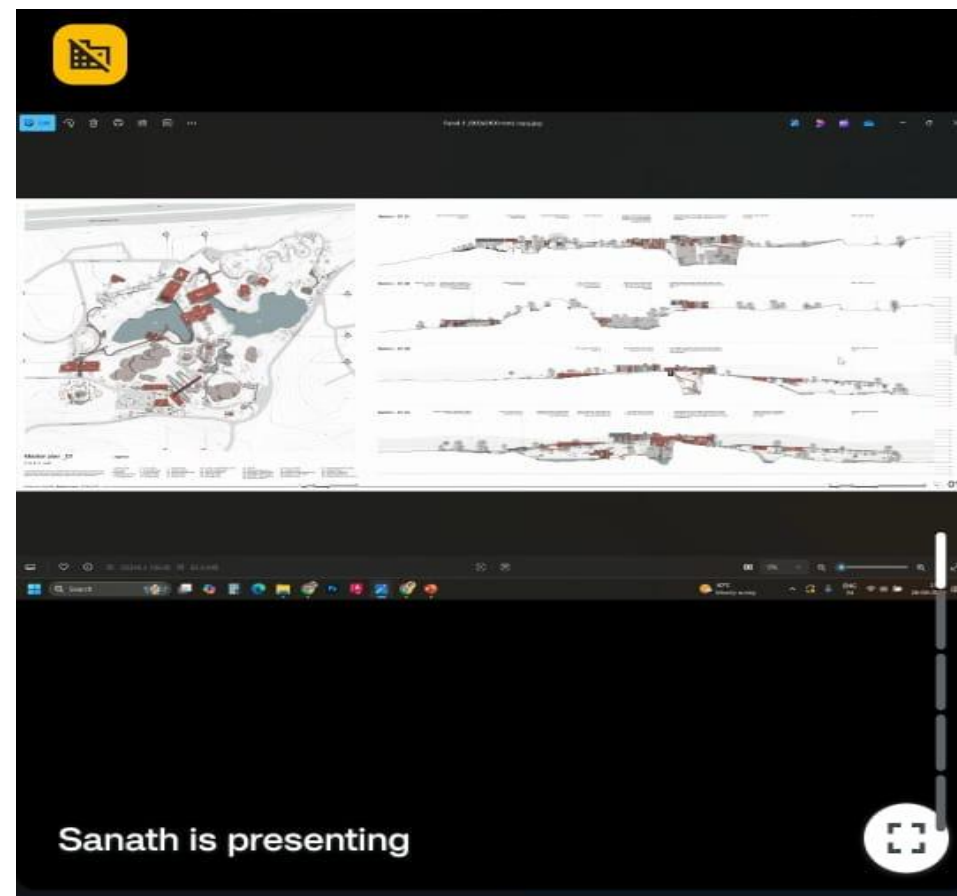
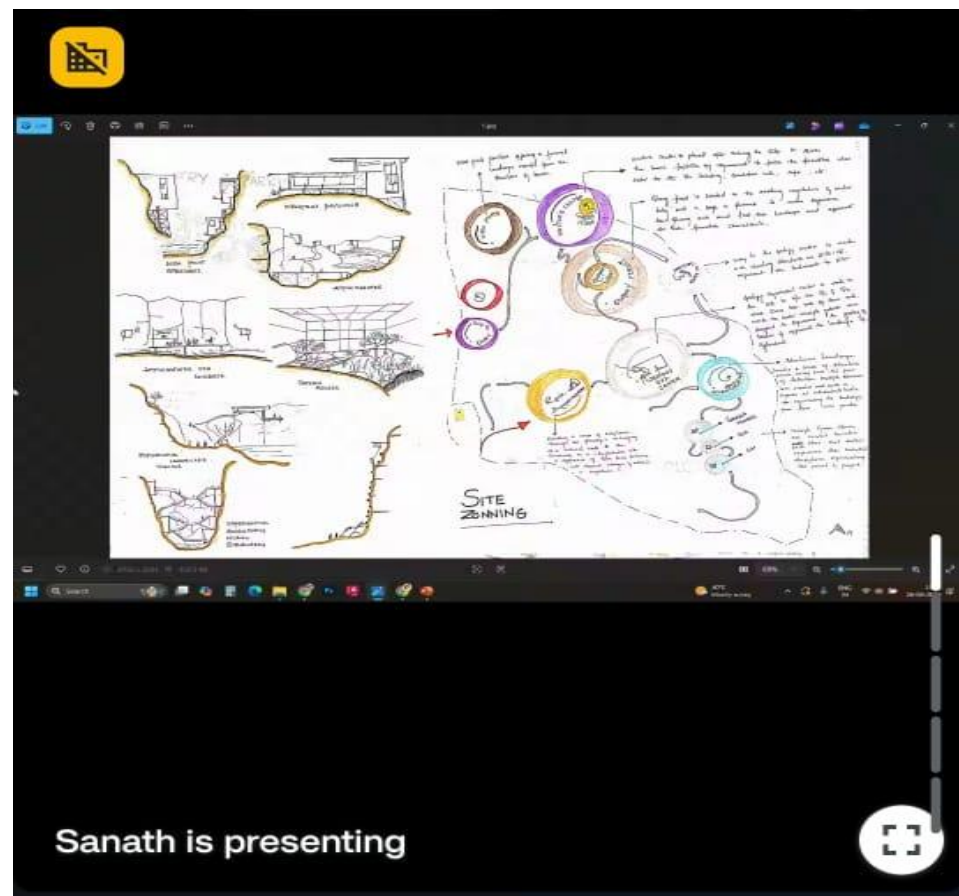
Shanghai Metro:
AI detects "aggressive male behavior," 90% under report (CASS, 2023). Culture of silence + Collectivism (Hofstede, 1980): rely on state, avoiding confrontation.

Philippines:
"Child Porters" work in transit hubs, exposed to exploitation. (Huijsmans and Baker, 2012)

Thailand:
"Shadow Economy" Transport Struggles: vendors walk 5-7 km daily, avoid motorbike taxis (ILO, 2023). Opportunity for Savings, safety, security.

S- Gayathri
(M-Plan 2024)

Sanath
(B-Arch 2024)



Muniba
(M-Des 2021)

