Editorial

"As an architect, you design for the present, with an awareness of the past, for a future which is essentially unknown." - Norman Foster

This quote encompasses the ideas we aim to bring forward through Kalpa. The magazine, which is a research initiative by the faculty and students of RVCA, intends to highlight the nuances in architecture as time goes by.

The magazine's third issue focuses to capture the role of architecture in promoting sustainable cities and communities of the future through an enquiry of the UNs Sustainable Development Goal 11. According to this goal, an ideal city should be inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable. The ideas presented in this issue question, ponder, rethink and redefine the ideal city and our responsibility as architects to see it through.

While putting this edition together, we at the Kalpa Student Team were exposed to where the cities of today stand in terms of Urban Sustainability. We were also made aware of lessons we could learn from the past, and how they are regaining their relevance today.

We hope the reader too gains some insight into the intentions brought forward by the magazine and the importance of pausing, and looking back, in this world of rapidly growing cities, while we work towards a sustainable future.

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