



Name : **Ar. Adarsh Viswam**

Designation : **HOD, MCAP, Thiruvananthapuram**

Educational Details

B. Arch – 2006

College of Engineering, Trivandrum

M. Plan – 2012

School of Planning & Architecture, New Delhi

About:

A dynamic and innovative academician with a robust academic background and diverse professional experience, he graduated from the University of Kerala in 2006. His career began at the Centre for Science and Technology (COSTFORD) in Thiruvananthapuram, where he honed his skills in sustainable architecture. He further enriched his expertise at the Centre for Research and Development (CRDU) at CEPT University in Ahmedabad.

In 2012, he earned a master's degree in Planning from the prestigious School of Planning and Architecture (SPA) in New Delhi, specializing in regional planning—a testament to his commitment to addressing complex spatial and environmental dynamics of urban and rural India. That same year, he returned to COSTFORD as a planning consultant, leveraging his knowledge to guide impactful projects like preparing the DPR as part of Rajeev Awas Yojana for various local bodies of Kerala.

His passion for education led him to serve as the academic coordinator at the Laurie Baker Centre for Habitat Studies in Thiruvananthapuram, nurturing individuals and groups in cost-effective and sustainable building construction techniques. In 2013, he embarked on his teaching journey at IES College of Architecture in Thrissur, where he inspired students with his vision. He has also held the position of Associate Professor at TKM School of Architecture in Kollam.

Since 2018, he has made significant contributions as an Associate Professor and currently as the Head of the Department at MCAP, where he continues to shape architectural education. As the founder and Principal Architect of ITAL Architecture Studio, he combines his professional expertise with academic insights to enhance the learning experience for his students.

As an individual interested in environmental approaches to urban planning and academia, he is pursuing a PhD at NIT Calicut.

Interest:

Cost effective building technologies, Housing, Slum improvement & Heritage conservation and environmental planning.

Achievements

Trained in Production and use of compressed stabilized earth block.