

Vastu Shastra - a belief system or a science?

BRINGING THE SACRED BACK INTO ARCHITECTURE



Oneness Temple at Varadaiahpalayam, designed by Dr.Prabhat Kumar Poddar

In ancient India, our entire education system was based on what is known as CHAUSANTH KALAS or the 64 Arts, of which Vastu shastra or Sthapatya Veda, was only one of the 64 Arts! This ancient Indian education system was so profound that people came from all over the world to learn and study them at Nalanda University. At that time Nalanda was home to 15,000 students from the world over. Many stayed for 20-30 years to master the various subjects, as noted by the Chinese scholar Fa Hyan, who himself stayed at Nalanda for almost 30 years.

What was this sacred and amazing knowledge that our forefathers had mastered, and which until the British entered India, was the only method of teaching and learning? After seeing this system of education – the 64 Arts, the British realised that with such a system of education, India could never be ruled. And the first thing they did was to scuttle and

eliminate this ancient method of teaching, by claiming that our Indian system of "learning was a pagan belief system", and not a science! Under the garb of modernism and scientific approach, this entire system of 64 arts was wiped away from India, and we are fast losing what has still remained of it. Today, we have become so dependent on the Western system of education, that we continue to totally devalue and neglect the amazing knowledge system we had, and to which the world is turning now. For example learning Sanskrit for the next future generation of computers!!!!

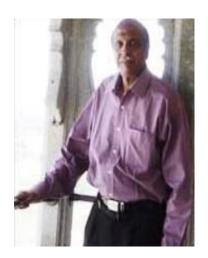
The need of the hour is to understand, what was that knowledge our forefathers had mastered? We need to research and rediscover the science of each of the 64 Arts, as each is called a SHASTRA - Natya Shastra, Vastu Shastra, Shilpa Shastra... etc. We need to bring this knowledge back into our system of education, and thus integrate the modern and the traditional into a new vibrant educational experience.

In these course modules, I shall be happy to share our efforts and work being done along these lines. I will also talk about the research work and approach we are involved with, as well as applying them in present day design and planning of various projects across India, and in different countries around the world. We have called this revival effort: **THE ANCIENT FUTURE.**

"In ancient times, architecture was not only a creation of form to limit or define space, but was inherently a sacred form, a three dimensional mandala. Our ancestors created forms, that were in harmony with the laws of that greater creation that surrounds us, forms that live not in time, but have outgrown time and live in eternity."

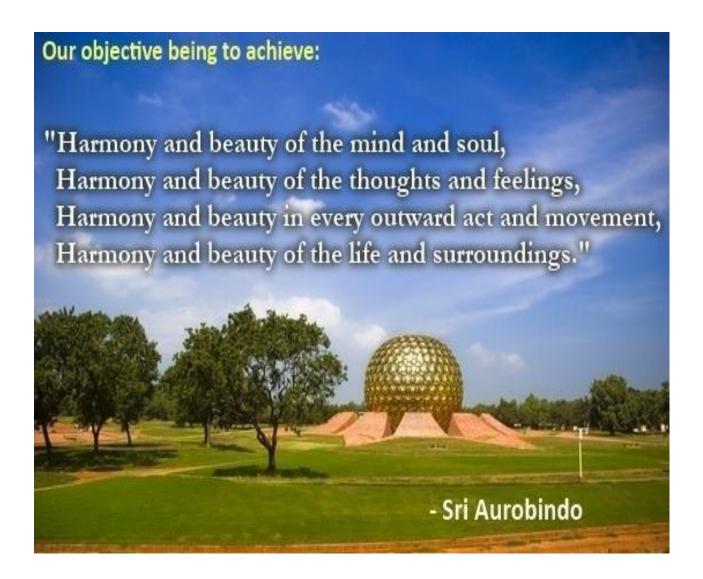
"Theirs was a magic of numbers, a sacredness of proportions and materials, a mysticism of harmonics and colours, a critical choice of the right location and the right moment in time, so that matter and form, expressed in a number of ways the cosmic truths, and made us experience the multiple attributes of the Infinite."

Dr. Prabhat Kumar Poddar



About Dr Prabhat Kumar Poddar

Dr Prabhat Poddar is renowned for his expertise in Vastu, Geobiology and Energy principles of buildings. Civil Engineer, Architect, Town Planner, he consults all over the world for all projects, be it residential, tourism, commercial, industrial. Various organisations and people privately request his services, such as Volcanoes Safaries, L&T, ISPAT, Dalmia Group, Sterlite Group, Raheja Group, Rishabh Software, Happy Minds, and many others over the last 30 years. He is a member of the New York Academy of Sciences.



COURSE INFORMATION

AKASH FOUNDATION AT PONDICHERRY is pleased to help organize and conduct training sessions on "VASTU SHASTRA"-"GEOBIOLOGY" by Dr Prabhat Poddar and his Akash Foundation and Akash Education and Research Trust of Pondicherry. He has been conducting similar courses in Baroda, Chennai, Bangalore in India, and in other countries abroad: Italy, France, Germany, Kuwait and Russia. In 2019 we propose to start similar courses in USA

The entire course consists of 9 modules out of which 8 modules will be conducted in MUMBAI, with the 9th module in Pondicherry.

The first 8 modules need 2 ½ days each to complete. We will start each module by 10am on Friday, and at 9.00am on Saturday and ½ of Sunday. The venue of the 8 modules will be: (conveyed when finalised). The 9th module will be conducted at Pondicherry for one week

Starting date for the Vastu-Geobiology Course is from January 2019 and will be until February 2020

The Proposed Dates for each MODULE is as follows:

Mo 1	Jan 2019	18-19-20 (Fri-Sat-Sun 9am to 1pm)
2	Mar '19	01-02-03
3	Mar '19	29-30-31 OR 22-23-24
4	Apr '19	12-13-14
5	June '19	14-15-16
6	Aug '19	16-17-18
7	Dec '19	13-14-15
8	JAN 2020	17-18-19 OR 24-25-26
9	FEB 2020	22-28 7 days in PONDICHERRY 9 Module
		(Sat-Fri)

Registration:

In order to register for the course, please contact the following:

CO-ordinator: Sri PAWAN KUMAR Mo: +91 94384 89999 Sub: MUMBAI COURSE 2019-20

Email: creativespace999@gmail.com
The entire Vastu-Geobiology Course is conducted by Sri Prabhat Poddar.

Kindly send copy of registration to:

cc drprabhatpoddar@gmail.com Phone: +91 98430 24685;

cc akashfound@gmail.com Phone: +91 413 222 7274 and Mo: +9197863 00695

Kindly confirm your participation at the earliest and latest by **end December 2018**, and send your name, address, email and contact numbers to **SRI PAWAN KUMAR** and cc to **PRABHAT PODDAR and AKASH FOUNDATION**.

Fees and Payment:

- Cost of each module is Rs.30,000.00 Even though, you can pay for each module at the start of each module, payment will have to be made for all the modules, even if you miss out a module.
- Lecher antenna cost = Rs.20,000.00 (once)
- Pondicherry training (9th module) cost- Rs.90,000.00. This is all inclusive of boarding, lodging, travel in and around Pondicherry, airport train station in Chennai, pick-up and drop, and teaching course for 7 days. Actual travel from your place to Chennai and back will be at your cost.

- Travel costs and arrangements will have to be done by individual to and from the venue of training in MUMBAI. We will try and arrange hotel / accommodation on discounted rates to be paid individually.
- All the modules will be video-taped, and a copy given to each of the participants. So even if they miss a module, they can still get the course information.

Total cost for the course:

Item	Cost
8 modules @ 30,000 per module	2,40,000.00
Lecher Antenna	20,000.00
Pondicherry training (9 th module)	90,000.00
TOTAL*	350,000.00

^{*} Excludes cost of travel to location of training to MUMBAI (first 8 modules) and PONDICHERRY (for 9th module only).

• All Payments will be made out to "AKASH FOUNDATION" as a donation, which is an 80G qualified charitable trust, which allows you to take 50% deduction in your Income Tax against the amount donated.

Further Information / Clarifications:

If you need any clarifications or have further questions, please reach out to Mr. Prabhat Poddar drprabhatpoddar@gmail.com phone: +91 98430 24685 or Mr. Pawan Kumar: creativespace999@gmail.com Phone +91 94384 89999