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## **CONCEPT NOTE**

### **“GRIHA REGIONAL CONCLAVE”**

**Date: 10<sup>th</sup> March 2025, Monday**

**Time: 1000 hrs to 1800 hrs**

**Venue: Radisson Blu Hotel, National Highway 37, Guwahati, Assam**

**GRIHA (Green Rating for Integrated Habitat Assessment) Council**, acknowledged as the ‘**National Rating System for Green Buildings in India**’, was developed by **The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI)** with the support of the **Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE), Government of India**. It is an indigenous green building rating system that evaluates the environmental performance of a building holistically over its entire life cycle across diverse parameters, thereby providing a definitive standard for green buildings and sustainable habitats. The Government of India (GoI) has recognized ‘**GRIHA**’ as a tool to evaluate Greenhouse Gas (GHG) reduction from habitats under its obligations to mitigate climate change as mentioned in the Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) documentation submitted to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC).

**GRIHA Council** was established to administer GRIHA & promote the construction of environmentally responsible and resource-efficient buildings. The **GRIHA Council** works towards streamlining the rating process to facilitate the adoption of sustainable practices in the built environment.

Over the years, **GRIHA Council** has been hosting its annual summits to deliberate on issues of national discourse in association with distinguished entities from national and international spheres, encompassing government bodies, industry partners, multilateral & bilateral organizations, academia & building practitioners. The past summits had been designed on themes such as “Approach to Integrated Sustainability”, “Fostering Partnerships for Sustainable Habitats”, “Transforming Habitats”, “Sustainable is Affordable”, “Rejuvenating Resilient Habitats”, “Restoring Green Economy”, “Towards Net Positive Habitats” and ‘Empowering Sustainable and Resilient Communities’.

**GRIHA Council is pleased to introduce the “GRIHA Regional Conclaves”**. The conclaves aim to augment the development of sustainable habitats and resilient communities at the regional level. It intends to highlight the imperative of regional inclusivity in the discourse on sustainability in the built environment. **Till now, GRIHA Council has successfully organised 3 GRIHA Regional Conclaves in Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh on 20<sup>th</sup> June 2024; Hyderabad, Telangana on 30<sup>th</sup> August 2024 and Jaipur, Rajasthan on 25<sup>th</sup> October 2024 centered around the theme, 'Accelerating Climate Action in the Built Environment'.**

More than 300 participants representing a diverse stakeholder group including - policymakers, industry leaders, corporates, architects, urban planners, engineers, researchers, academicians, developers, builders, end-users and civil society attended the combined 3 conclaves. Productive deliberations on various initiatives and potential strategies to scale up sustainable actions at the regional levels took place throughout the conclaves.

Continuing with the intent to accelerate sustainable development at regional levels which includes economic growth, social progress, environmental sustainability and good governance, **in the year 2025, GRIHA Council is now hosting next 3 GRIHA Regional Conclaves in Chandigarh; Bhubaneswar and Guwahati**. Aligning with the vision of becoming a ‘Net Zero’ emission nation by year 2070, these regional conclaves seek to provide a forum to address region-specific challenges and identify tailor-made strategies that align with the local climatic conditions, cultural contexts and resource availability, thereby making them locally relevant and effective.

**GRIHA Council** proposes to host regional conclaves in partnership with state governments and industry experts across many cities PAN India and explore mitigation & adaptation strategies in the regional context for creating inclusive and climate-resilient infrastructure.

We invite all stakeholders, including policymakers, industry leaders, architects, urban planners, engineers, researchers, developers, builders, end-users & civil society to come together and share insights, knowledge & experiences in our drive towards advancing sustainability in the built environment.