



MINIMALIST APPROACH IN CONTEMPORARY RESIDENTIAL ARCHITECTURE IN URBAN CONTEXT

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Abstract

Architecture is considered as a profession and the people who practice it - architects- are also considered as professionals. A professional is defined as;

"When a professional person agrees to provide his professional services to a client, and no contract exists with terms to the contrary, the professional owes a duty to the client to exercise reasonable, skill and care in conformity with the normal standards of his profession"

(Janssens, D.E.L., Design Build Explained, 1991)

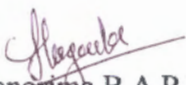
So it is responsible of Architects to provide client with the desired physical and psychological comfort. Therefore it is important to facilitate meaningful architecture to eliminate inappropriate ornamentation and disquietingly ornate architecture, which ignore the spaciousness and meaning.

Within above framework, this dissertation is an attempt to crystallize some thoughts About Minimalist Architecture, which can be seen as the pursuit of simplicity, as well as an ideal design approach which caters for essentialities out of different design approaches.

Gradually people have to satisfy on small plot size of land. Also stressful life style makes the living in tight urban context more complex. So emphasis will be paid to Minimalist approach in contemporary residential in urban context. As the house should be a place of tranquility by banishing disorder, ostentation and vanity to feel it as the master of habitable space.

DECLARATION


I declare that this dissertation represents my own work, except where due acknowledgement is made, and that it has not been previously included in a thesis, dissertation or report submitted to this university or to any other institution for a degree, diploma or other qualification.


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