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Kirti Bhonsle Nikam is an Architect, Academician, and Planner from Nagpur, Maharashtra, India. She is Masters in urban planning and has completed her Ph.D. in "Creating play spaces for children in urban settings" from VNIT, Nagpur. She is currently working as a Professor at the Manipal School of Architecture & Planning, Manipal, Karnataka.

She has worked in various Schools of Architecture in Indore, Jaipur and Chandigarh from 2004 onwards. She has authored the book, "Children's Play Dreams" published by Notion press, Chennai in 2019. She has contributed research papers in national and international journals and conducted workshops in Design/Graphics in schools of architecture at Jabalpur and Chandigarh. She was part of KIDS INDIA Conference hosted by the International Play Associations in Mumbai as a resource person and in the ARCHDESIGN'14 conference, held at Istanbul on Design Methodologies. She was also awarded the MASA Best Teacher'2013 for her teaching methodology in basic design. She is recipient of the INTACH research grant 2018 which is given to individuals, for her work on the 'Stepwells of Nagpur District'. She is a registered member at NAAC, a member of Council of Architecture, Institute of Town Planners, INTACH and International Play Association, New Delhi, India. Her areas of interest include Designing play space provisions for children, Heritage and History of architecture, Design, Graphics, Architecture, and planning. She also writes blogs relating to architecture and can be viewed at <https://kirtibhonsle.blogspot.com>.

Following are a selection of her publications

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