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— AWARD OF MERIT —

AMAR SINGH COLLEGE

SRINAGAR, INDIA

The restoration of the Amar Singh College brought back one of the most prominent institutional buildings in Kashmir to its former glory. Undertaken with a high level of technical proficiency, the project reversed major deterioration resulting from years of inappropriate additions, poor maintenance, and catastrophic events such as the unprecedented flooding in 2014. The project team's meticulous attention to original building design and materials involved training a new generation of building artisans in brick and stone masonry. Competently led by INTACH Kashmir Chapter with support from the local government and a group of community stakeholders, the project serves as a noteworthy model for safeguarding a unique 20th-century architectural asset in the Victorian neighborhood of the old city of Srinagar.

OWNER

Department of Higher Education, Government of Jammu and Kashmir

INDIVIDUALS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PROJECT

Asghar Samoon; M. Saleem Beg; Yasmeen Ashai; Altaf Hussein;
Saima Iqbal; Anjum Rafiq; Basharat Rasool; Waseem Rifat; Masood Khan

CONSULTANT

INTACH Kashmir Chapter

ARCHITECT/DESIGNER

Saima Iqbal (Project Lead, Conservation Architect);
Anjum Rafiq (Architect); Shafaq Ahmed Zahgeer (Structural Engineer);
Vaibhavi Dhote, Vipendra Singh (Conservation trainees);
Jitendra Singh, Imran Ali Bhat (Art Conservators)

GENERAL CONTRACTOR

Waseem Rifat and Basharat Rasool

