

On the onset of the meeting, the Home Secretary-cum-Secretary, Urban Planning, apprised all the officers/ officials of various Govt. Departments present in the meeting, regarding heritage articles pertaining to Le-Corbusier and first team of architects engaged in the designing of Chandigarh, though these articles have not been declared as heritage items however, these articles have immense heritage value, the articles include office furniture, tapestry, sketches, models, carvings etc. etc. In the past many years these heritage items have been disposed off by various govt. departments declaring them as condemned/ non serviceable items and international auction houses had managed to procure these items and are selling the same items at highly exorbitant prizes. These items may have been originally conceived by the first team of Architects or may be replica's of the original one. Despite best efforts made by Chandigarh Administration to stop one such auction which has been taken place on 31.03.2011 at Chicago USA and many furniture items from Chandigarh have been auctioned. During the meeting, following decisions were taken:

- Henceforth no govt. department/ office should dispose off any antique article pertaining to the era of 1950-1960's originally conceived by Le Corbusier of his first team of architect or replica's of the same without prior permission of Department of Urban Planning. All the Govt. Departments/ offices were also requested to furnish the detail of auctions of such articles held in last 20 years to Chandigarh Administration within a month and detail should include the following:
 1. Date of Auction.
 2. Name of Articles sold
 3. Number of Articles sold
 4. With whose permission the auctions held.
- ✕ • Punjab University should take action with regard to a dining table designed by Pierre Jeaneret from the cafeteria at Punjab University, Chandigarh being sold by Wright auction house Chicago USA on 28.04.2011.
- ✓ • Digitized Inventory of all the remaining articles of heritage importance lying in various offices be prepared on the basis of catalogue and C.D. containing photographs already provided to various department offices and digitized inventory should include photograph of items, name of item, number of the item, total numbers of the item, no. of items in use, no. of items non-servicable and heritage tag be given to each item.
- Each office should appoint a Nodal officer in this regard and after preparation of tentative digitized inventory of items, nodal officer will co-ordinate with Senior Architect Sh. Surinder Singh, Department of Urban Planning, who will facilitate the visit of committee constituted for identification of such items to various offices for finalization of the inventory/ catalogue. After finalization, 2 copies of digitized colored inventory should be prepared,

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spiral binded and two copies of which should be forwarded to Chandigarh Administration, and one should be kept by the concerned office for their record.

- Items which are not usable/ repairable shall be handed over to Museum for exhibition in the Museum. Drawings/ sketches should be conserved and properly stored.
- C.E., UT will check where the tapestries of Haryana Vidhan Sabha have been lying and to look into to conserve them and put to use if possible.
- Proper security arrangement should be made to ensure the safety of heritage items.
- Proper steps be taken to ensure the preservation of these items.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.