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The Buildings Bye-laws of Jammu Municipal Corporation (JMC), Srinagar Municipal Corporation (SMC) and other Municipal Bodies were notified in the year 2011. Since then, large scale developments have taken place in the fields of sustainability, Energy Conservation Building Code (ECBC), rain water harvesting, Green Buildings etc. Meanwhile, Bureau of Indian Standards has issued the National Building Code 2016 (NBC) and the Ministry of Urban Development, GoI has issued the Model Building Byelaws 2016. Further, the Bye-laws of 2011 did not provide an elaborate mechanism for building permit process. This has necessitated to revisit the existing Bye-laws to make them more comprehensive and consistent with the state of practice.

Preparation of a uniform building and building bye-laws code ab-initio is an arduous task. The draft “**JAMMU and KASHMIR MODEL BUILDING BYE-LAWS AND BUILDING CODE-2020**” have been prepared with the assistance of experts / professionals from the relevant fields after taking into account the National Building Code 2016 and Model Building Bye-laws 2016. The new Bye-laws and Building Code are expected to serve twin objectives (i) simplify the procedure for building permits and streamline the entire process and (ii) ease of doing business.

The draft “**JAMMU & KASHMIR MODEL BUILDING BYE-LAWS AND BUILDING CODE-2020**” are accordingly notified for inviting suggestions / objections from all stakeholders—citizens, developers, builders, government departments, housing cooperatives and other agencies—to enable incorporation of useful suggestions to make the new Bye-laws/Building Code comprehensive, progressive and relevant to the state of practice. The Draft “**JAMMU and KASHMIR MODEL BUILDING BYE-LAWS AND BUILDING CODE-2020**” are available on the official website of Housing & Urban Development Department (jkhudd.gov.in).

The suggestions / objections can be sent by post to the Housing & Urban Development Department or through e-mail (mbbc.jk@gmail.com) within a period of 30 days from the publication of this notice.

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