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## MORPHOGENESIS

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One of only two Indian practices in the WA 100, Morphogenesis has been around since 1996 though it is the first time it has appeared in these pages.

The collective employs more than 100 architects, though its fee income makes it one of the three lowest earners in WA 100. This can be explained partly by the fact it builds almost exclusively in India, with the exception of a hotel in Kathmandu.

One of its most prestigious projects under way is The British School in New Delhi, but it also does commercial and residential work and has teams who can work across architecture, interior design, masterplanning, urban, landscape and environmental design.

This year it hopes to expand into the healthcare and R&D markets.

It places a high priority on sustainability, favouring passive design and attempting to create buildings that reduce consumption of resources and energy.

“It is this all-inclusive nature of design with a unique focus on passive and low-energy architecture that we believe will define the new emergent Indian architecture,” said managing partner Manit Rastogi.

He also outlined an interesting project the New Delhi-based practice hopes to realise over the next couple of years. Its home city is criss-crossed by unhygienic “nullahs” which are somewhere between derelict alleys and open sewers.

“The intention is to unearth these layers as hidden opportunities resulting in human engagement and the rejuvenation of withering cities,” said Rastogi. “A relatively small investment can transform the nullahs into a valuable asset for the common citizen.”