

Queries & Replies

1	<p>(a) Do I have to return the registration form for acknowledgement?</p> <p><b>Once you registered online and received your competition registration number. You are not required to return the registration form (Appendix A)</b></p>
2	<p>(a) There were two available categories that can be participated. May I know if the registration fee should be paid at total RM 80 or RM 160 if I intend to participate in both categories</p> <p><b>With one Registration Fee/ Number, you are able to submit for both categories (1 proposal for Category 1 &amp; 1 proposal for Category 2). If you wish to submit more than one proposal for one particular category (i.e., 2 proposals for Category 1) then you will need a separate registration.</b></p>
2	<p>(a) Will there be any more detailed information or specific requirements to send to our E-mail address?</p> <p>(b) Are there any project brief such as how many bedrooms required, what is the compulsory space required (kitchen, living hall, etc).</p> <p>(c) Is there a requirement for a toilet to be included in the proposal?</p> <p><b>There will be no other additional information as the brief provided. There are no specific spaces required, you may propose as you see fit.</b></p>
3	<p>(a) Where is the exact site location (GPS Coordination)?</p> <p><b>The exact location of the site will be remained confidential for privacy purpose. The information and case studies provided is hypothetical and created based on recurring constraints.</b></p>
4	<p>(a) Is this house project supposed to be designed to suit any maximum cost/budget limit for it to be practically build-able in future by anyone in the Orang Asli community?</p> <p>(b) Is this house going to be mass produced? The cost given that is RM 30,000 is for per house or the cost for mass production?</p> <p>(c) Material cost is RM30,000. Does it apply to both categories?</p> <p>(d) How long is the estimated construction duration?</p> <p><b>The cost stated in the brief (RM30,000) is the material cost for ONE house and applies to both categories.</b></p> <p><b>The design should be suitable and fool-proof for low to middle-skills men to be able to build within the time frame of 3 days.</b></p> <p><b>There are no plans for any of the submissions to be mass produced as is but in the event that it is, the cost per house remains at RM30,000.</b></p> <p><b>Construction process</b>  <b>i- Pre-fabrication off-site</b>  <b>ii- Assembling on Site – 3 Days</b></p>

5	<p>(a) May I know if there is any basic infrastructure provided for the community at the proposed site ? i.e. electricity and water supply</p> <p><b>Category 1(Rural Housing) – There is very basic infrastructure such as walking/motorcycle pathways, river water supply (occasionally disrupted due to heavy rain/draught), limited power supply (some have solar), limited drainage &amp; sewerage system (some have none) and etc. Large vehicles (anything more than a 5 ton lorry) may encounter difficulty accessing village.</b></p> <p><b>Category 2 (Urban Housing) – There is good infrastructure for vehicle road access and pipe water supply. However, some houses share power &amp; pipe water supply, have no drainage &amp; sewerage system and etc. Large vehicles have no issues accessing village, however there are issues getting from the main road to individual sites and houses due to tight spaces, this can only be done by foot.</b></p>
6	<p>(a) There are different group of Orang Asli in Malaysia, based on morphology, religion, culture, language, socio-economic activity and geographical locations. May we know whether this design competition is target to any particular groups or tribes?</p> <p><b>No particular targeted tribes/groups, as Epic Homes intend to help all Orang Asli communities, therefore the proposal shall be able to adapt to all.</b></p>
7	<p>(a) What is the setback for the site?  (b) Is there any building height limitation?  (c) How many floor/storey are allowed?</p> <p><b>There are no Setbacks however, do consider to the context of the site in regards to building height limitations. The proposal should consider basic safety requirements. You may propose as you see fit.</b></p>
8	<p>(a) Does expandable (in the future) means that they can expand the house outside the site boundary or have to go higher as long as its within the site boundary?  (b) How many members of the family are there? When you say expandable do you imagine the family having more children or an extended family with 3 generations?  (c) What are the occupations of the occupants?  (d) How old is Jamal and Rina’s daughters? (Category 2)</p> <p><b>There are no restrictions on the expandable method for Rural Housing. However, for Semi-Urban Housing, the expansion should remain within the site boundary or go higher.</b></p> <p><b>Expandable would mean the ability for the families to expand their home easily and as they feel necessary regardless of the conditions (whether it’s having more children, having more family members residing or just simply requiring more space).</b></p> <p><b>Scenarios given are based on an aggregation of real-life situation and are created to help participants to get a general picture of their lifestyle.</b></p>
9	<p>(a) How can we get more information on the site context? (i.e. Contour lines, site level height?  (b) What is the soil and ground conditions?</p> <p><b>The site can be assumed to be flat.</b>  <b>The soil and ground conditions can be assumed to be suitable for building.</b></p>

10	<p>(a) Would the housing plots be connected to a public network system?</p> <p>(b) what kind of transportation is likely to be used for transporting the construction materials to the housing plots (private/rented car, pick-up, no motorised vehicles, etc)</p> <p>(c) I would like to have clarification on the given terms "construction assembly and transport methodology" and whether that should be on scale or schematic.</p> <p><b>Category 1 – There is internal village access roads for small vehicles or by foot, the largest vehicle that can access the village will be a 4x4, 3 ton lorry.</b></p> <p><b>Category 2 – There is good vehicular access roads into the village, however, the housing plots can be accessible only by foot or motorbike from the main village roads.</b></p> <p><b>Construction Assembly can be at scale or schematic so long as its visuals to assemble the building components is understandable by the general public.</b></p> <p><b>Transport Methodology can be proposed as you see fit.</b></p>
11	<p>(a) In both scenarios, what is the tenure statuses of the new housing plots (rental or ownership, legally owned or not) and in their neighborhoods? Is there a risk of expropriation or eviction?</p> <p><b>They are living on Orang Asli reserved land.</b></p>
12	<p>(a) I am residing in a far distance from Malaysia, I would not be able to attend the site visit. Would the potential information given during this visit and additional site photos be transmitted to all participants?</p> <p><b>Photos from Site Visit will be shared on the website. However, the visit is not to the actual Site as it will remained confidential for privacy purposes. The visit is for the participants to get general idea of the context and lifestyle of the Orang Asli community.</b></p>
13	<p>(a) As from what we understand from the Appendix D &amp; E, each individual house seems to be randomly placed. We need to clarify is there a masterplan for that or can we propose one?</p> <p>(b) Is the site for this competition necessary to follow as attached in Appendix D or Appendix E or it can be anywhere around Malaysia?</p> <p><b>The proposal should fit within the competition context. However, there is no restriction for improvement of the current site planning.</b></p>
14	<p>(a) We would like to inquire are there any additional information such as CAD file or proper site plan for us to work on the project</p> <p><b>AutoCAD file will not be provided.</b></p>