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The construction sector is considered as the main contributor of both energy consumption and carbon dioxide emissions. As a result, governments tend to create various standards and policies for developing sustainable buildings. However, mosques buildings are not given the same attention. Mosques are unique in their characteristics and operational performance compared to other types of buildings. As a result, it is necessary to investigate the thermal characteristics of these buildings to enhance their performance. This research enhances the operational performance of mosques by examining different retrofit strategies on existing mosques. It is divided into four sections: data collection, which includes site investigation and laser scanning; development of a simulation model using Revit and IESVE; examination of the impact of various retrofit strategies; selection of a retrofit strategy using a multi-criteria decision-making model using AHP and TOPSIS techniques; and finally, implementation of this framework on Imam El-Hussein Mosque in Cairo, Egypt.

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