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INDIA USP's unique value will be in pushing the envelope of the current debate on urban issues in Asia. It will help in defining normative means of connecting the various inter-relationships that are increasingly evident. It examines the complex issue of urban development and design from a plane of 30,000 feet in order to define outcomes closer to the ground.

The task of pulling off something as ambitious as an annual INDIA USP conference towards full potential is gargantuan.

To do the above will require several exceptional aspects of ideation and implementation to come together. To begin with, INDIA USP will need an extraordinary board of advisors to guide and propel it. It will need partners who can share the vision for vibrant urban centres, and find common ground in working on the ground. Issues in shaping urban centres are all ultimately related to shaping democracy itself. Janaagraha is committed to deepening democracy in practice.

If various stakeholders involved in shaping our urban centres – be it an average citizen, a policy-maker, an activist, an administrator or a politician, can: work within a normative framework; identify specific critical success factors; understand the constraints that prevent success, and define specific action steps out of this, then, something of value will have begun with INDIA USP.