

# National Institute of Urban Affairs (NIUA)

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# About NIUA

- NIUA is a premier Institute for research, capacity building and dissemination of knowledge in the urban sector
- Established in 1976, it is the apex research body for the Ministry of Urban Development, Government of India
- The Institute gets a core grant from the Ministry of Urban Development and generates funds through projects from other central ministries, state governments, and agencies such as ADB, World Bank, UN agencies.



# Vision

Promoting Integrated Solutions for Urban India



# What We Do

- Provide research support to MoUD
- Evaluate Government of India's urban programs/schemes
- Analyze and promote policy change agenda
- Conduct research studies on contemporary urban issues
- Coordinate capacity building and training activities
- Disseminate information



# Partners



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# Functional Setup

- Thematic Research Themes:
  - Urbanization, Urban Infrastructure and Economic Growth
  - Municipal Finance and Governance
  - Land Economics and Transportation
  - Urban Poverty
  - Affordable Housing
  - Sustainable Habitat, Environment and Climate Change
  - Smart Cities
- Urban Data Centre
- Capacity Building Cell
- Information, Publication & Communication Cell

# Urban Data Centre

The centre assembles and archives urban sector-specific data from various secondary sources

State of Indian Cities – Urban Observatory



# Capacity Building Cell

The Cell prepares knowledge products, curricula and learning modules and the training of human resources that can cater to the demand for urban managers and technical experts





# Information, Publication & Communication Cell

- Research Studies
- Urban India - biannual journal
- Urban News – monthly publication
- Newsletters – Project based
- Websites:

[www.niua.org](http://www.niua.org)

[www.indiaurbanportal.in](http://www.indiaurbanportal.in)



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# PROMOTING INTEGRATED SOLUTIONS FOR URBAN INDIA

National Institute of Urban Affairs advances inter-disciplinary research, capacity building, knowledge management and policy making on issues relevant to cities across India.



## Research

Thematic  
Research Area  
and Projects



## Outreach

Information  
Communication  
Dissemination  
activities



## Publications

Major Types of  
Publications



## Library

Compilation of  
Print and Digital  
Library

INDIA  
URBAN  
PORTAL

SOUTH ASIA  
URBAN  
KNOWLEDGE  
HUB

SHRAMIC

UCCR

GDGO  
SMART  
CITY CHAIR



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Projects & Reforms -  
Chhattisgarh, Raipur - Raipur

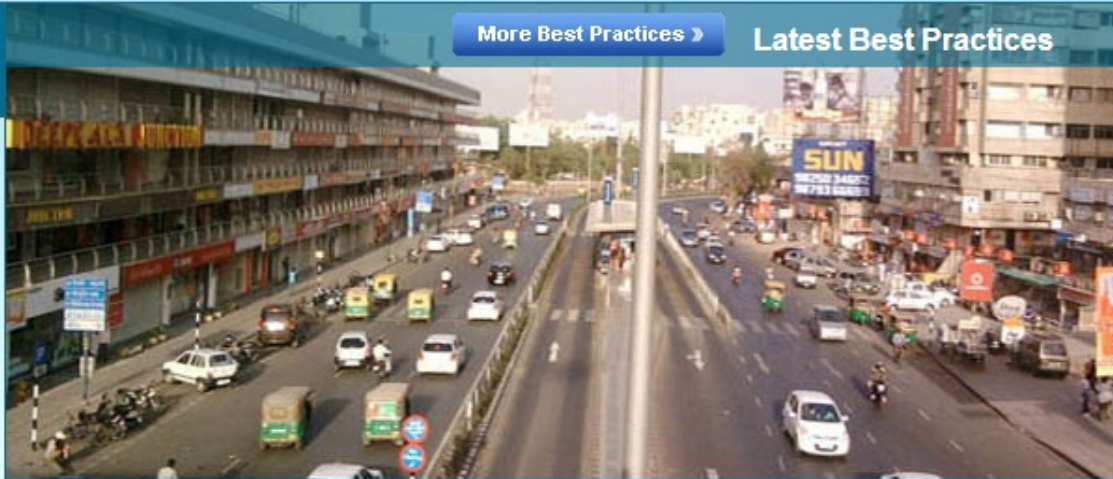
Water Supply and Drainage  
Projects - Surat - Surat

Initiatives taken by Ahmedabad  
Municipal Corporation (AMC) :  
Water Pro - Ahmedabad

Initiatives taken by Ahmedabad  
Urban Development Authority  
at Ahmedaba - Ahmedabad

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Latest Best Practices



 JNNURM

 PEARL

 IEC Material

 Best Practices

 Awards

Documentation on Best Practices

- [▶ Urban Initiatives Vol.5](#)
- [▶ Urban Initiatives Vol.4](#)
- [▶ Best Practices Vol.3](#)

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## Welcome to India Urban Portal

India Urban Portal is a knowledge collaborative platform that enhances the availability of quality urban information. The goal is to provide an entryway (portal) to urban information, and create a network, community and resources that provide qualified, trusted, and verifiable information and contacts. [Read More...](#)

## Latest News / Events

The 11th Metropolis World Congress  
Oct 07, 2014

# Ongoing Projects

- **CIDCO Smart City Chair:** Research and capacity building unit that will provide training to CIDCO's technical personnel particularly on Smart Cities
- **Urban Green Growth Strategies for Indian Cities:** Compile good practices relevant to green technologies, policies, business models, standards, systems, partnership models for Indian cities
- **South Asia Urban Knowledge Hub:** Nepal, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka and India will build a network of training and research institutions in the region and develop a forum for improving knowledge management
- **Urban Climate Change Resilience:** Support capacity building through training, integration of climate information, dissemination of existing knowledge products on UCCR
- **Sustainable Social Housing Initiatives in India:** A Study on Policy and Financing Assessment of Sustainable Social Housing in India



# Ongoing Projects

- **Monitoring of 13<sup>th</sup> CFC Grant Parameters:** Provide help to the States for compliance of the nine reforms based conditions stipulated by the 13<sup>th</sup> Finance Commission, and make them eligible for drawl of Performance Based Grants.
- **Demographic, Economic and Social Structures of different sizes of urban settlements (under HUDCO Chair):** Analyse the demographic, economic and social structures; status of housing and basic infrastructure, of the different sizes of urban settlements in India.
- **ULCRA:** Analyse whether the Repeal of Urban Land Ceiling and Regulation Act (ULCRA) 1999 has been able to bridge the demand and supply gap in land market
- **SHRAMIC:** Understand livelihood strategies for migrants, protection of their rights and recognize their contribution while formulating poverty reduction and employment strategies



# Recently Completed

- **Best Practices in Property Tax Reforms in India:** Examine various issues reforming the property tax system in the different parts of the country
- **Standardized Structure of Supplement to the Budget:** Assist MoUD in standardization of Supplementary Budgets and Finance Accounts as per the guidelines of 13<sup>th</sup> Finance Commission
- **Review of Model Municipal Law:** Comparative study to review the status of implementation of MML in six states-Assam, Bihar, Gujarat, Rajasthan, Karnataka and Orissa
- **National Strategy for Urban Poor (UPRSs):** Prepare 11 city-wide urban poverty reduction strategies focusing on improving the living conditions of urban poor
- **National Urban Sanitation Policy:** Facilitate coordination amongst tiers of GOI and provide support to states & cities for preparing SSSs and CSPs
- **Appraisal of Urban Reforms Agenda under JNNURM:** Synthesize urban reform initiatives of the past and design a comprehensive urban reform agenda
- **Doing Business with Cities:** Identify key areas of reform based on best practices and propose guidelines from the reforms already underway that could be adopted to ease licensing procedures and property registration
- **Urban Transport Initiatives-Best Practices in PPP:** Document ten urban transport initiatives/projects been undertaken in ten cities of India
- **City Training Plan, Surat:** Provide policy analysis pertaining to JNNURM reforms for policy makers at the local and state level



# Upcoming Initiatives

- NIUA Dialogue Series
- XI Metropolis World Congress
- LSE Cities Urban Age Conference
- NIUA E-learning Pilot Course on Sustainable Land-Use



# Library

Collection begun in 1976



19265 Books



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