

BASiIC

Building Accessible, Safe & Inclusive Indian Cities

MoU signed between NIUA and Lighthouse Communities Foundation

On the occasion of International Day of Persons with Disabilities on 3 December, an MoU was signed between NIUA and the Lighthouse Communities Foundation with a vision to mainstream and define inclusion for Indian Cities and to build capacities at the local level of cities.



BASiIC propagates the tenets of Inclusive Cities

“Building Accessible, Safe & Inclusive Indian Cities” (BASiIC) aims to build the capacity of Indian cities to be sensitive and responsive to the needs of persons with disabilities. This project is being implemented by NIUA in collaboration with the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs and support from the Department for International Development of the UK. Further, the project endeavours to promulgate aspects of “Accessibility, Safety and Inclusivity” into the fabric of urban development. For more information on the project, click [here](#).

Three Day Workshop on Disability Inclusion

NIUA hosted a three-day workshop from 1-3 December 2020 with its programme partners to commemorate the International Day of Persons with Disabilities and embark on the journey of creating an inclusive urban environment. It aimed at creating and increasing public awareness, understanding and acceptance of persons with disabilities. A report providing insights of the workshop on Disability Inclusion is available on the NIUA's website [here](#).

UPCOMING EVENT

An Eye for Inclusion, a Photo Contest

NIUA launched a Photo Contest ‘An Eye for Inclusion’ with the Global Disability Innovation Hub and the British High Commission in India on 3 December. Entries are accepted until 13 March, 2021. Calling all photography enthusiasts to participate in this 100-day challenge. Stay tuned for further updates.



Screenshots from the online workshop, Dr. Anjee Agarwal, Founder & Executive Director, Samarthyam, India (Left) and Dr. Victor Santiago Pineda, Founder & Chairman, World Enabled (right).



The BASiIC team produced these posters to sensitize society about persons with disabilities and related issues, in collaboration with the LEewardists group. The team also came up with a comic strip titled, “Inclusivity in Cities During COVID-19.” To view the comic strip, click [here](#).

The International Day of Persons with Disabilities (IDPD) is observed on 3 December. IDPD is promoted by the United Nations since 1992. The observance of this day aims to promote an understanding of disability issues and mobilise support for the dignity, rights and well-being of persons with disabilities. This week's newsletter commemorates the International Day of Persons with Disabilities.