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PROJECT IN FOCUS: NATIONAL URBAN LEARNING PLATFORM

The National Urban Learning Platform (NULP) is developed in collaboration with national and international universities / educational centres, think tanks and autonomous bodies and supported by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs and Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office to empower urban functionaries, administrators, elected representatives, civil society, industry actors and other ecosystem players to build smart, inclusive, sustainable and resilient cities. The platform is envisioned as a means of digitally consolidating key skills and knowledge required by urban stakeholders and making these available to all actors on a channel of their choice. Through, NULP, the partner organizations encourage collaborative solutions and ideas for the urban sector, cultivating an ecosystem which will promote and support co-creation at a national and global scale. For more information about the platform, click here and to partner with NULP, email at nulp@niua.org.

SMART Move: Innovative Urban Mobility Challenge Stage 1 completed
Stage one of the SMART Move: Innovative Urban Mobility Challenge was completed on 17 January 2021. Initiated by MoHUA and supported by the Smart Cities Mission, NIUA and GIZ India, this ideas competition has received a total of 80 concept notes on different urban mobility themes from participating teams from across the world. For more details, visit smartmove.niua.org and click here or reach out to the SMART Move team at smartmove@niua.org for any queries.

Upcoming Events
An Eye for Inclusion: Global Photo Contest by BASIIC
BASIIC programme invites all those who love taking pictures to participate in a 100 day photography challenge to mainstream disability inclusion in cities. The last date to submit entries to this contest is 13 March 2021. Please click here to go to the submission page.

Episode 40 of Rethinking Cities series by Habitat Forum
Habitat Forum invites interested individuals to attend the episode 40 of Rethinking Cities series, titled, ‘Planning Education and Profession in the Global South’ to be held on 22 January 2021 at 3:00 PM (IST). Click here to register for the live cast.

A workshop on URMP for Kanpur organised by the National Mission for Clean Ganga project team
NIUA, National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG) and Kanpur Nagar Nigam (KNN) jointly organised a workshop on 12 January 2021, for preparation of its Urban River Management Plan (URMP). Around 30 city officials from KNN, Jal Nigam, Jal Sansthan, Irrigation, Forest, Ground water, Tourism, Pollution Control Board and other departments participated in this half day event. Sh. Rajiv Ranjan Mishra (Director General, NMCG) and Sh. Akshay Tripathi (Municipal Commissioner, Kanpur) addressed the officials, encouraging them to identify practical avenues for implementing the first URMP in Kanpur. To learn more about URMP, click here.

FSSM training conducted for Uttarakhand officials
SCBP program conducted two 2-day online orientation training programmes on Faecal Sludge and Septage Management (FSSM) for officials from ULBs & parastatal departments of Uttarakhand with the support of Uttarakhand Academy of Administration, Nainital & Ecosan Services Foundation, Pune. This training programme was attended by more than 100 officials from 17 cities. For further information on other SCBP trainings, click here.