



National Convention on People Centric Urban Governance in India

(December 6-7, 2022)



Organized by

Centre for Urban Studies
(Under the aegis of MoHUA, GoI)

Indian Institute of Public Administration
IP Estate, Ring Road, New Delhi-110002

Background

Urban centrality is imminent in India's development path. Accordingly, People Centric Urban Governance (PCUG) is getting special emphasis from Government of India (GoI) for next 25 years, from Amrit Mahotsav (75 years of Independence) to Swarna Jayanti Mahotsav (100 years) in 2047. This period would witness transition from semi-urban to urban majority society along with selective concentration of urban population and emergence of census towns with change in the economic profile of aspiring villages (farm to non-farm sector). The challenge would be to address the prevailing mismatch (ranging between 1:10) in the services, amenities, infrastructure, municipal finance and regional imbalance (variation in levels of urbanization ranging from Bihar (12%), to Tamil Nadu (50%+). Therefore, corrective measures need to be taken to reorient urban governance in the light of periodic assessment of sector including the recent initiatives (urban missions and programmes), regional and global urban agenda as per UNSDG's, COP: 26 and Global Urban Agenda (HABITAT III).

The urban governance, concomitantly, has to undergo a shift from supply driven to demand driven process. Serving performance in the administration and people's satisfaction are the basic premises to build in people centrality to regularly improve access to services & infrastructure, income & employment opportunities, disaster management, mobility, climate change for sustainable and inclusive development, etc., of urban areas with focus on youth, elderly, poor, women and left behind. It is imperative to explore and build consensus on future agenda on PCUG.

About the Convention

It is in this context that IIPA is organizing a national convention on People Centric Urban Governance in India on 6th and 7th December, 2022. The two-day convention seeks to prepare a roadmap for the sector based on consultation with stakeholders from academia, urban local bodies, para-statal, para-municipals, MoHUA, concerned union ministries, states, multi-lateral and bi-lateral agencies, NGOs, CBOs and professionals in the sector. The programme is structured around plenary sessions in the beginning and last, and multiple break away sessions containing twenty-one themes with specific inputs from academics experts/professionals and practitioners of high repute.

Select papers presented during the convention would be published in book form and some in IIPA Journals (NAGARLOK, IJPA, IIPA Digest).

Key Objectives

- ◆ Assess urban sector policies and programmes in India
- ◆ Identify components and challenges in People Centric Urban Governance (PCUG) in India
- ◆ Examine status of people's satisfaction in the governance of cities and towns.
- ◆ Explore replicability and scaling up of innovations and best practices in PCUG.
- ◆ Prepare a roadmap for PCUG for 'India @2047'.



Focus Areas

The convention covers six focus areas under 21 broad themes.

Structure of Urban Administration and Management

- Adequacy of Urban Policies: Sanitation, Transport, NUHHP 2007 (Housing), NUP (National Urban Policy) - Draft, Coordination between elected and execute wing.
- Master Plan, Regional Plan, Zonal Plan and Planning Regulations
- Government to People: E-governance, digital tools and techniques, inter-agency coordination, and Municipal Cadre
- 74th Act –Unfinished Agenda and Decentralization below the Town Hall
- Urban Capacity Building: Elected/Non-elected Leaders, Executives, Cutting edge functionaries, Case Studies & Material Development

Adequacy of Urban Finance

- Strategic fiscal gap and Imbalance, Investment Promotion, Municipal Bonds, Municipal rating and creditworthiness, and Municipal Budgeting and financial planning
- Mobilisation of taxes, Innovative non-tax sources
- Fiscal Transfers (National/State Finance Commissions); current focus and effective application

Sustainable Habitat

- Global Urban Agenda (Habitat III) – 2015 -2030 and follow-up, Multi-lateral Bi-lateral cooperation
- Ease of Living – Index, Initiatives and Outcome
- Global Consensus on Environment (PM 2.5 & PM 10) and Climate Change (CoP-26 & Paris Agreement), Circular Economy and Disaster Management

Tripartite Synergy for Delivery of Urban Missions/Programmes

- Cooperative federalism for urban governance
- Smart Cities Mission (SCM), National Urban Digital Mission (NUDM), Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT)
- National Urban Livelihood Mission (NULM), Prime Minister Street Vendors' AtmaNirbhar Nidhi (PMSVANidhi), Swachh Bharat Mission 2.0 (SBM 2.0) etc.
- Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana – Urban (PMAY-U), Rental Housing and PPP in Housing
- State level urban sector schemes and programmes

Access to Service

- Citizen Services: Certificates, Approval Procedures (Codes/Byelaws), Permissions, Licenses.
- Urban infrastructure: Gap and key features, Flyovers, Bridges and Roads, Street infrastructure and space, and Urban mobility - MRTS, Non-motorized urban, Land Development, transport, etc.
- Solid Waste Management: Rules 2016 & applications, Bylaws, Regulations and Decentralized Models
- Urban Water and Sewage Facilities – 24x7 and Water Plus Cities
- Housing and Slums



Expected Outcomes

A 75-point Amrit Mahotsav declaration on PCUG shall be prepared on the basis of deliberations in the two-day convention. The convention will also bring together academics and practitioners and book release on the subject on the occasion of Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav.

Key Invitees

The convention will include participants and presenters (to be selected on the basis of Abstract as per format attached) drawn from urban sector stakeholders across the country.

Union Ministers, Secretaries in the Government of India and States, Senior Professionals of high repute and select practitioners from the field will be invited to share their valuable experiences.

Deadlines

Submission of Abstract in the Prescribed Form	:	15 th October, 2022
Selection of Abstract	:	20 th October, 2022
Intimation on Selection of Papers	:	25 th October, 2022
Submission of Papers	:	25 th November, 2022

Publication

Professionals, practitioners and scholars willing to present a paper have to register for the convention and send an Abstract of 300 words in the selected theme in the focus areas of convention. The abstract should be sent in word file including a passport size photo in the right top corner of Form. The selected authors will be informed by 25th October, 2022. Authors should follow APA Style Sheet for a 3000-5000 words limit. Select papers shall be brought out in the publication on Urban Governance compiled by IIPA. Some of the select papers would be published in IIPA journals (IJPA, NAGARLOK and IIPA Digest).

Accommodation

The institute has limited hostel facilities. Those who are interested in availing it can request on cusiipa02@gmail.com. The booking would be done on First Come First Serve basis. The rates for participants will be ₹ 1600/- for double occupancy and ₹ 1000/- for single occupancy.



Day – 1				
Inaugural				
Plenary – Role of People Centric Governance in Urban Areas				
Technical Session – 1: Structure of Urban Administration and Management				
Break away Session-1				
Technical Session – 2: Tripartite Synergy for Delivery of Urban Missions/Programmes				
Adequacy of Urban Policies: Sanitation, Transport, NUHHP 2007 (Housing), NUP (National Urban Policy) - Draft, Coordination between elected and execute wing.	Master Plan, Regional Plan, Zonal Plan and Planning Regulations	Government to People: E-governance, digital tools and techniques, inter-agency coordination, and Municipal Cadre	74th Act – Unfinished Agenda and Decentralization below the Town Hall	Urban Capacity Building: Elected/Non-elected Leaders, Executives, Cutting edge functionaries, Case Studies & Material Development
Break away Session-2				
Cooperative federalism for urban governance	Smart Cities Mission (SCM), National Urban Digital Mission (NUDM), Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT)	National Urban Livelihood Mission NULM), Prime Minister Street Vendors' AtmaNirbhar Nidhi (PMSVANidhi), Swachh Bharat Mission 2.0 (SBM 2.0) etc.	Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana – Urban (PMAY-U), Rental Housing and PPP in Housing	State level urban sector schemes and programmes
Day – 2				
Technical Session – 3: Adequacy of Urban Finance				
Break away Session-3				
Strategic fiscal gap and Imbalance, Investment Promotion, Municipal Bonds, Municipal rating and creditworthiness, and Municipal Budgeting and financial planning	Mobilisation of taxes, Innovative non-tax sources		Fiscal Transfers (National/State Finance Commissions); current focus and effective application	
Technical Session – 4: Access to Services				
Break away Session-4				
Citizen Services: Certificates, Approval Procedures (Codes/Byelaws), Permissions, Licenses.	Urban Infrastructure: Gap and key features, Flyovers, Bridges and Roads, Street infrastructure and space, and Urban mobility - MRTS, Non-motorized urban, Land Development, transport, etc.	Solid Waste Management: Rules 2016 & applications, By-laws, Regulations and Decentralized Models	Urban Water and Sewage Facilities – 24x7 and Water Plus Cities	Housing and Slums
Technical Session – 5: Sustainable Habitat				
Break away Session-5				
Global Urban Agenda (Habitat III) – 2015-2030 and follow-up, Multi-lateral Bi-lateral cooperation	Ease of Living – Index, Initiatives and Outcome		Global Consensus on Environment (PM 2.5 & PM 10) and Climate Change (CoP-26 & Paris Agreement), Circular Economy and Disaster Management	
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NOMINATION FORM

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Designation:

Organisation:

Address:

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Mob:.....Official:.....

Type of Participation (please tick): Paper Presenter Participant

If presenter:

Proposed Title of Paper.....

Focus Area.....Theme.....

(Please attach abstract - Selected papers will be intimated by 25th October, 2022.)

Registration Fee details:

Amount:Date:

Transaction ID.....Name of the Bank:.....

Whether accommodation required:

Yes/No.....

(Signature)

Note:

The accommodation at IIPA Hostel on payment basis shall be provided to participants giving reference to paper presenter and others on the basis of availability.



Registration

Nomination for the program in the form attached may be sent to, Centre for Urban Studies, IIPA, I.P. Estate, New Delhi by email (cusiipa02@gmail.com) with following details latest by 25th October, 2022.

Registration Fees

(on or before 25th November, 2022):

Participation Fee: ₹ 500/- (non-refundable)

A/c Name: Indian Institute of Public Administration

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Venue

**Conference Hall
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Near Delhi Police Headquarter (ITO)**



Centre for Urban Studies (CUS) Indian Institute of Public Administration

Centre for Urban Studies (CUS) fully supported by Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs, Government of India was established in IIPA in 1966 as a result of recommendation from Nuruddin Committee Report (1963).

The Centre was created with specific objectives to organize suitable training course/hold seminars/conferences for urban sector, municipal and state officials in order to improve the technical and professional character of urban infrastructure and services; help States and regional training and research centres on municipal administration that might be established; promote research on various governmental problems of urban and metropolitan growth in India; develop an efficient and up-to-date information centres and documentation services in municipal administration in India and abroad; and provide suitable consultancy service to the various public bodies on municipal administration and to represent India in international conferences.

During last 50+ years CUS of IIPA has operated as a knowledge centre and think tank in the sector at apex level to serve the urban agenda of government of India and carried out research, training and advisory services.

CUS is currently involved in the capacity building of urban sector functionaries under the pioneering urban missions initiated by the present Government of India. CUS is also closely interacting with Govt. of India's urban sector outfits to carry out (a) Induction courses for newly appointed senior functionaries, (b) Career Enhancement Course, (c) Mid-career Skill Enhancement Course and (d) National and International Workshop/Seminars. CUS also extends exposure on urban agenda of Government of India to a cross-section of government functionaries from All India Services, Central Services and Defence Services. (for more details please refer to <https://www.iipa.org.in/cms/public/page/centre-for-urban-studies>)

