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Director's Note

I am delighted to welcome you to the School of Planning and Development's bi-annual newsletter. Here you will find the most recent information on the school and its outstanding programmes, events, students, and faculty.

With the Finance Minister's announcement of significant investment in the planning profession's capacity building, a career in urban planning has emerged as a viable alternative for India's youth. This is tremendously exciting! It marks the potential growth of this extremely important field within India, suggesting incredible job opportunities for our students, both current and prospective.

The school, located in the heart of Gurgaon, offers ITPI-accredited planning courses at both bachelor's as well as master's level. We have been integrating new, cutting-edge elements to our curriculum, including crucial entrepreneurial skills over the last several years. Most notably, our partnership with Harvard Business School Online (HBSO) to include entrepreneurship in the curriculum has made our students' learning much more interdisciplinary and contemporary. This semester, the school also signed an MOU with the Centre for Science and Environment to collaborate on research and development strategies that are both sustainable and equitable. The goal is to identify answers for economic development whilst also protecting the environment, and to provide solutions that people, and communities may apply themselves. We look forward to keeping you updated on our progress as well as the outstanding achievements of our students, faculty, and alumni.

This newsletter is devoted to our Master of Planning 2020-2022 class, a truly exceptional group of graduates. This group of students experienced hurdles that made an already stressful procedure even more tough throughout a difficult, pandemic-struck two years. And what makes me incredibly proud is that even during this moment of turmoil, they made the time to give back to their communities through in-studio exercises. While we celebrate our graduating class, we heartily welcome them, the Class of 2022, as new members of the SPD alumni network.

Happy reading and take care!



Prof. Preetha Ravisree Sajin

Director & Professor, SPD

Editorial Board

Dear Readers,

Greetings to you all

It gives us immense pleasure to present this semester's newsletter of the School of Planning and Development (SPD), Sushant University.

Communication is the initial pillar of a team's growth and success, followed by appreciation of minor and significant accomplishments. This newsletter strives to strengthen bonds in the midst of the relentless grind of our everyday work lives.

The starting of this year saw a massive interaction with the planning industry experts and academicians with an increasing amount of interest generated among the students to work hard towards their goal and do wonders.

This newsletter will open a window of opportunity to many people who will know that as a school, we are destined for a bright future.

Hope you all enjoy reading this edition!!



Ms. Ishani Garg
Assistant Professor
Social Media and Creative Coordinator
Accreditations, Rankings and
Compliances Coordinator



Varenia Warrior
Master of Planning, 1 Year
Associate Editor- NOSPlan

Faculty Note

SPD continues to improve academic, research internships, and placement. Offering an innovatively designed set of programs, the curriculum is constantly being updated to meet the changing demands of the industry and the needs of key stakeholders. While studying planning, students are encouraged to gain hands-on experience in the corporate world through internship projects at reputable organizations. It is recommended that the curriculum include mini-projects that complement theoretical knowledge and hands-on experience. At SPD we also run projects that benefit local industries and address local issues. These projects help us understand the relevance of working in groups and the complexity and importance of teamwork. The curriculum is taught by prominent faculty members who combine excellent academic and practical experience with dedication. Last but not least, we would like to thank everyone who participated in our journey to become an outstanding centre of education, training and research.

Our approach at SPD is to make students focus their work on neighborhood analysis, idea generation, planning & communication with the option to choose from various electives. My actual intend for joining the planning department was to continue engaging students in research on some of the most pressing & most complex problems of our time. For better planning, urban, rural, environment, transport etc. settlements & resources, governance of urban ecological infrastructure, the three strategies standouts as key trends in urban development: Innovation districts, Blue Zones & Eco-districts.

We aim to make the students understand the fundamental shifts based on strategic or philosophical principles of “how” & “why” we develop. Because of technological advancements and integration of societies & economies of the world, planning of cities & regions has become very complex. We at Sushant focus on making the students learn about new techniques and cutting edge technologies like GIS, Project planning, Legal & finance aspects, Management & governance.



Ms. Varsha Khetrpal
Associate Professor
SPD Programme Head
Research, Consultancy & Incubation Cell



Ms. Ankita Prakash Srivastava
Assistant Professor
Exam and ERP Coordinator
Certificate course and online courses
Coordinator

Faculty Note

SPD has experienced and dedicated faculty to provide best of knowledge to the student. The faculty have gained their masters/PhD from prominent institutes of India. Apart from sharing knowledge with students, faculties are encouraged to continuously update their skills and academic recognition through research publication, conferences, workshop and faculty development programs. In this semester, SPD has conducted a successful FDP on Geo Informatics System and a research based lecture series focused on resolving concerns of research scholars, faculty and thesis students regarding research processes. SPD is also developing online learning programs in collaboration with national education authorities to benefit student with extra credits.

This has been a goal to provide best quality infrastructure and prepare students according to industry requirements. We also lay strong emphasis on time dedicated by the faculty and students in their studios and lectures.

SPD has been in the forefront imparting high quality education to its students and in their course curriculum Internship is an integral part. It's satisfactory completion is a mandatory requirement for the degree to be awarded by the University. Internship of students in a professional course is very much inevitable and it boosts the morale of them, gives the flavor of the system & the office mechanism as well as provides hands on practical knowledge of the theory taught in the course curriculum. With the aim to strengthen School's relationship with industry for advisory services, internship/placements, and to create a networking platform for exchanging and scaling up good practices from the field, the school invited various organizations/institutions to the campus to showcase students' work and to assist them with their placement/internship and to increase the school's visibility and help to establish the provision of on-campus placement.



Ms. Leena Thombre
Assistant Professor

Faculty Research, QIP, FDP Coordinator
Certificate course and online courses
Coordinator



Dr. Himadri S. Dey
Assistant Professor
Phd Coordinator

Internship and Placement Coordinator

Faculty Note

We, at SPD, firmly believe in holistic development of the students. Along with academics, the students are motivated to be involved in varied co-curricular activities. I, being responsible for the Students Affairs, strive for maximum participation of our students in activities which shape them for the future. We believe in the talent of the students. Hence, we design and execute our events to provide our students with a stage to showcase their talents.

In addition to this, we make sure that our former “SPD Family” never gets out of touch. Being in-charge of the school’s lifelong connection to the Alumni, I make sure that our alumni are invited to all the events of the school. Their participation, inputs, queries (in any) are always welcome. Alumni play a crucial role in raising the quality of the institution that they belong to. With our strong association with our Alumni, we aim to harness their achievements, expertise and connections in the industry for the current students of their Alma Mater.



Ms. Ria Kapoor
Assistant Professor
Student & Alumni Connect
Accreditations, Rankings and
Compliances Coordinator

SPD EVENTS



PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION ON “URBAN FRAMES”

On 25th January, 2022 the School of Planning and Development organized a photography competition "URBAN FRAMES" for high schoolers and college students. The goal of the event was to understand the perspective of the students on how they perceive their urban surroundings.

The pandemic in the last 2 years has given us a chance to reflect on how we live our lives and how we want to live. The submissions were invited expressing reflections on the ethical challenges of COVID-19 and its consequences through the medium of photography.



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January 2022

PHOTOGRAPHY
COMPETITION
ON
“Urban Frames”

- Themes:-**
- Life during lockdown
 - Current Public gathering spaces
 - Street stories
 - Me and Covid - a mutual understanding

Important Dates:-
Last date of sending entries,
25th Jan 2022 at
deansspdpoffice@sushantuniversity.edu.in

Note - Open for - Age group (16 to 25yrs)
All the participants will get participation certificates and the best click will get an attractive prize.

For more details contact:- Varsha @ 9971302666, Ishani @ 09205079824



FIRST PRIZE
KAIRAVI SHAH
BACHELOR'S DEGREE, SUSHANT
SCHOOL OF ART AND ARCHITECTURE



Theme - Life During Lockdown
Title : 'Waste to Reuse-Save the environment, Heal the environment'

SECOND RUNNER UP **JYOTI KUMARI, MASTER PLANNING, SCHOOL OF PLANNING AND ARCHITECTURE (SPA), DELHI**



FIRST RUNNER UP
ASHLY AUGUSTINE
M. PLAN
NIT BHOPAL (MAULANA AZAD NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY)

STUDENT LED EXHIBITION (SLE)

The year-end exhibition has always been a source of pride and celebration for our students and educators. This year, too, SPD planned to honour the Planning School's bright minds by hosting an online seminar and an exhibition of students' semester work.

The main aim of the event was to showcase the students work from the previous semester to the industry experts and respected academicians.

The theme of the studio seminar was "Urban Planning and Development." The seminar and exhibition began at 10:00 a.m., with the students hosting an exhibition page for everyone to explore and provide feedback on their project work.



| Sr. No. | Speaker | Organization | Schedule |
|---------|---|---------------------------------|--------------------|
| | Welcome note | By Prof. Varsha | 10:00 am – 10:05am |
| | - Lamp lighting | | 10:10am – 10:20am |
| | - Address by H.o.D | By Prof. Preetha | 10:20am – 10:30am |
| | - Introduction of the dignitaries | | |
| | Coffee Table Book Launch | | |
| | Launch of Coffee table book: | Paras and Kavina2 | 10:30am – 10:40am |
| | Editor's Book Launch | | |
| | Launch of Research Work by students | Prof. Preetha and Prof. Varsha | 10:40am – 10:45am |
| | Conference Launch | | |
| | International conference on INCLUSIVE AND RESILIENT CITIES For Safe and Sustainable Future - 2022 | | 10:45am – 10:50am |
| | - Address by Dr. P.S.N Rao | Member of Advisory council SPD. | 10:50am – 11:00am |
| | Student's Presentation M Plan 2021 – 2023 | | |
| 1 | Infrastructure Planning by M Plan 2020 | @ 4 groups 5 mins. Each | 11:00am – 11:20am |
| | Q & A between students and dignitaries | | 11:20am – 11:30am |
| | Student's Presentation M Plan 2021 – 2023 | | |
| 2 | Area Planning by M Plan 2021 | @ 5 groups 5 mins. Each | 11:30am – 11:55am |
| | Q & A between students and dignitaries | | 11:55m – 12:05pm |
| | Student's Presentation B Plan 2019 – 2023 | | |
| 3 | Urban Development Planning by B Plan 2019 | @ 1 group 10 mins. | 12:05pm – 12:15pm |
| | Q & A between students and dignitaries | | 12:15pm – 12:25pm |
| | Student's Presentation B Plan 2020 – 2024 | | |
| 4 | Local Area Planning by B Plan 2020 | @ 1 group 10 mins. | 12:30pm – 12:40pm |
| | Q & A between students and dignitaries | | 12:40pm – 12:50pm |
| | Feedback from the Dignitaries | | 12:50pm – 1:10pm |
| | Result declaration for Photography Competition | | 1:10pm – 1:15pm |
| | Concluding Note | | 1:15pm – 1:20pm |
| | Vote of thanks | | |

On 04th February 2022,
10:00am to 1:15pm

For more details contact:- Varsha Khetrapal +91-9971302666
Video call link: <https://meet.google.com/xqb-hzwa-kjs>
Or dial (09) +1 401- 809-0094 PNR 877 276 1038



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URBAN PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

February 2022

STUDENT LED SEMINAR & EXHIBITION

THEMES



Infrastructure Planning



Area Planning



Urban Development Planning



Local Area Planning

Timing: 10:00 am to 1:00 pm

Platform: Google meet

Video Call Link: <https://meet.google.com/xqb-hzwa-kjs>

Coffee Table Book Launch

Editor's Book Launch

Conference Launch

EMINENT GUESTS



Mr. Pradeep Kapoor
Secretary General,
ITPI



Prof. Dr. P.S.N Rao
Director,
SPA, New Delhi



Shri. R Srinivas
Senior Town Planner,
TCPO, MoHUA



Dr. Suresh K. Rohilla
Senior Director,
CSE



Dr. Anil Kashyap
Director General,
NICMAR, Pune

The key highlights of the event :

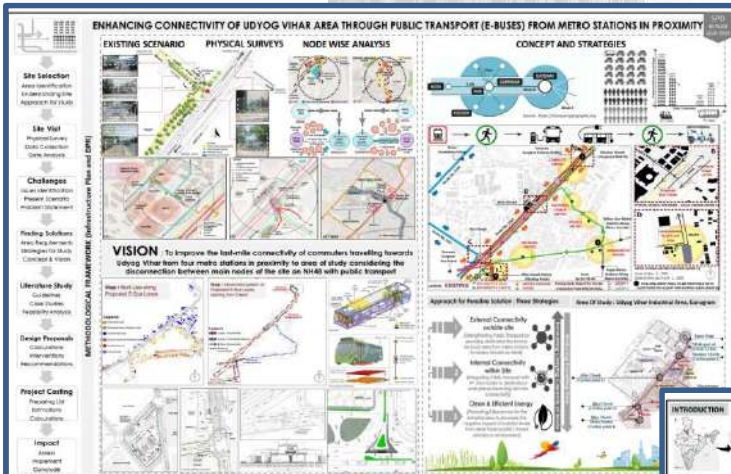
- Address by Keynote speakers
- A brief Presentation by students (group and individual) on their semester work
- Feedback and discussion round between students and the speakers
- Hosting of the exhibition pages by students.
- Discussion with the other guest participants (Q/A round)
- Vote of Thanks

The student's led event was successfully conducted and appreciated by the Guests and audience. Documentation of students works in the form of coffee table book and research work in editor's books are valuable outcomes of the event. The department takes pride in presenting student's work to pioneers of the industry. It was also delightful to see coordination among students along with the faculty which paved path for more challenging accomplishments in the future.

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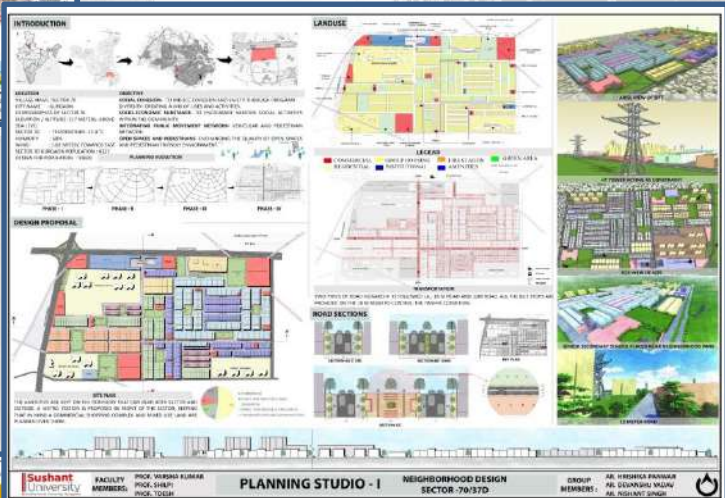
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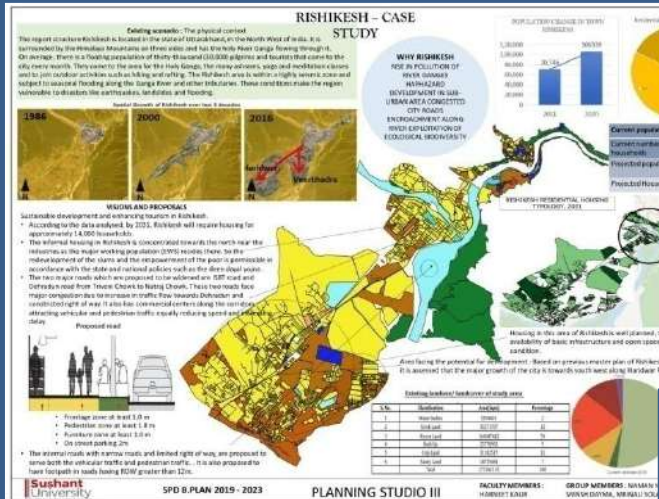
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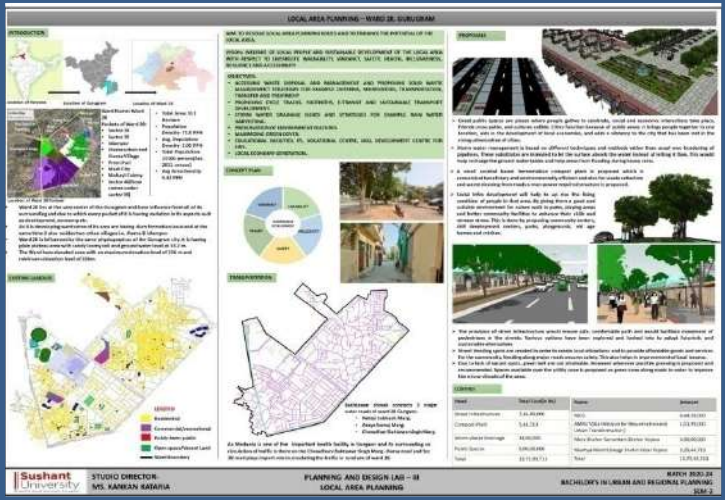
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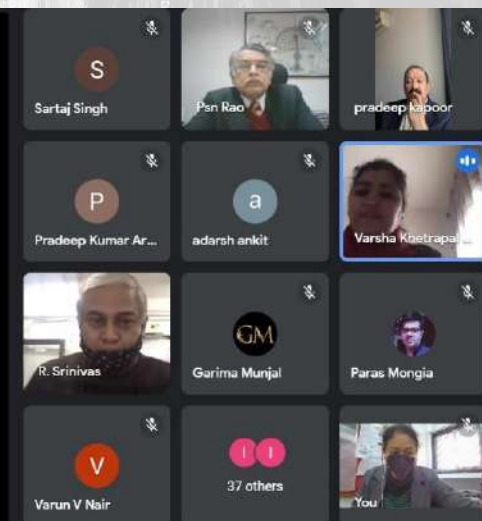
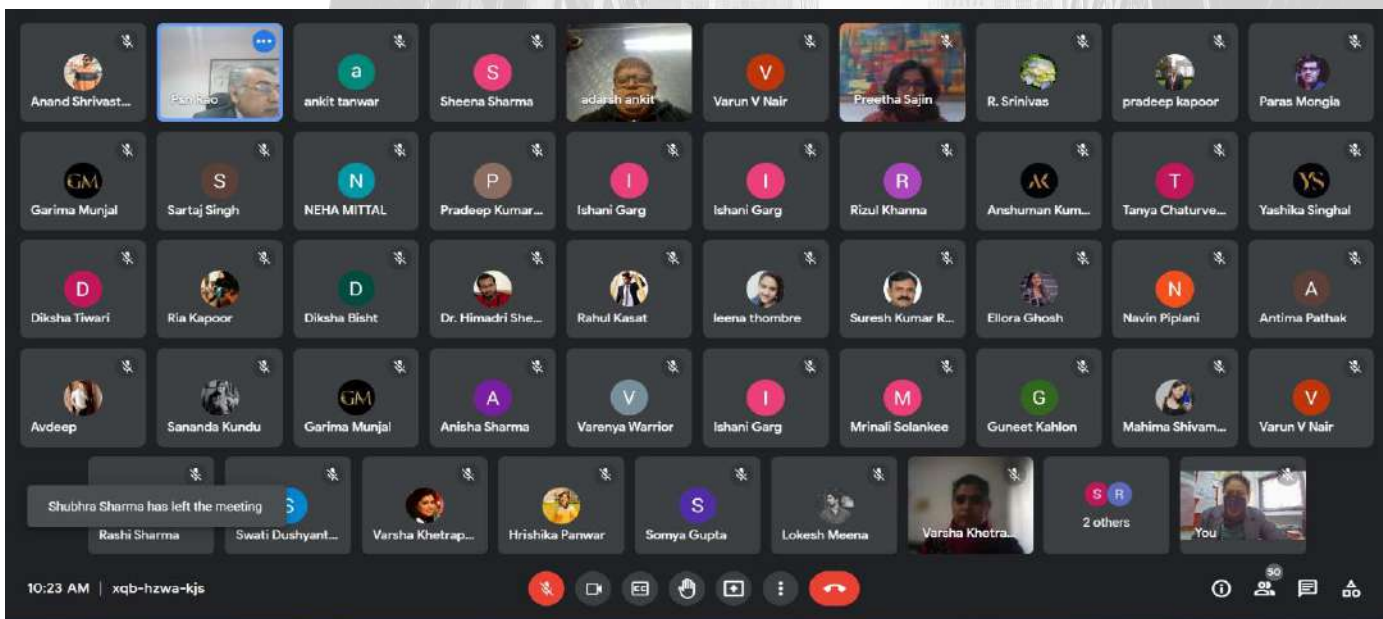
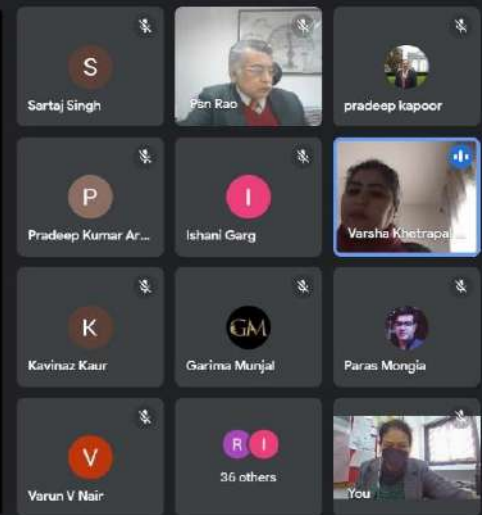
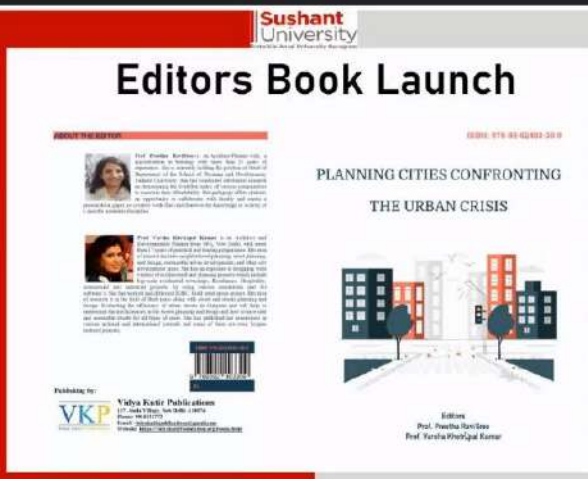
B. Plan - III Year



B. Plan - II Year



STUDENT LED EXHIBITION (SLE)



MATRIBHASHA DIWAS

The United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) has designated February 21st as INTERNATIONAL MOTHER LANGUAGE DAY to promote the dissemination of all people's mother tongues, raise awareness of linguistic and cultural traditions and diversity around the world, and inspire solidarity among people of various cultures and languages. Every year on this date in India, MATRIBHASHA DIWAS is observed to promote the usage of the mother language. The same was organized by the student council to be celebrated in school of planning and development (SPD) at the amphitheatre, Block A. The event started at 3:00 p.m. and lasted till 5:00 p.m. where the whole SPD family participated.



The event proved to be a great success and everyone participated in full enthusiasm representing their respective states and culture in their mother tongue on this auspicious event.

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MATRIBHASHA DIWAS

International Mother Language Day

21st February 2022

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मराठी

नेपाली

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Confirm your participation by 19th Feb

ACTIVITIES

DANCE

SINGING

POEM

DEBATE

PAINTING

DRAMA

CANDIDATES INTERESTED REGISTER AT

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FOR FURTHER ENQUIRIES

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STUDENT COUNCIL

HRISHIKA - 7508583107

RIZUL - 9911782171

NISHANT - 8810317784

<https://sushantuniversity.edu.in/school-of-planning-and-development>



HOLI CELEBRATION

On 16th March, 2022 SPD organized a small Holi celebration in the department for the students.



MoU Signing between SPD and CSE

On 24th March, 2022 the School of Planning and development (SPD) organized an event in collaboration with Centre of Science and Environment (CSE) from 12:00 pm to 3: 00 pm. The event’s main highlight was the MoU signing followed by a series of lectures. The workshop was on ‘heat resilient and thermal comfort’ and it was to develop a strong association with each other and to promote the cause of sustainable habitat in build sector to students. The total participation in the event was 80 comprising of the students from both SAA and SPD, along with the faculty members of SPD.



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and Environment



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March 2022

MoU Signing Between
SPD & CSE



Rajneesh Sareen
Programme Director,
Sustainable Buildings and
Habitat Programme,
CSE



Mitashi Singh
Deputy Programme
Manager, Sustainable
Buildings and Habitat
Programme, CSE



Sugest Grover
Deputy Programme
Manager, Sustainable
Buildings and Habitat
Programme, CSE

Guest lecture/ workshop on Heat
Resilience & Thermal Comfort for all

Timing : 11:55 am to 2:15 pm
Ventic: Block A, SPD, A-015

For more details contact:- Ishans @ 09205079824



Workshop on Portfolio/ CV Preparation & Thesis Research

On 25th March, 2022 School of Planning and Development (SPD) along with School of Art and Architecture (SAA) and Corporate Resource Center (CRC) organized a workshop on CV/Portfolio preparation and thesis research. The lecture by Mr. Himanshu Sanghani highlighted the importance of CV and portfolio as getting a job is not just about working for a few hours, but it's about working to improve yourself as a person and learning skills which will certainly help you realize your goals. Both along with thesis research done can prove to be an important tool for showcasing our potential to the employers.

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March 2022

Workshop

Himanshu Sanghani
and SU CRC team

A workshop on Portfolio/
CV preparation & Thesis Research

Timing : 03:15 pm to 05:00 pm

Venue: Block A, SPD, A-015

For more details contact:- Ishani @ 09203079824



Himanshu Sanghani
(Associate Professor &
Associate Dean, SAA)



Yashpal Sharma
(Deputy Director,
CRC, SU)



The second part of the workshop was a lecture by Mr. Yashpal Sharma (CRC) on the various job opportunities and what are the important skills required to secure a chance with the desirable employer. In today's competitive world the importance of these aspects cannot be stressed enough.

GUEST LECTURE

On 19th April, 2022 School of Planning and Development (SPD) organized a guest lecture by Mr. Saran Bhatia on walkability and liveability. Through the case example of Delhi he highlighted the importance of creating more walkable spaces which should not only be infrastructurally sound but should also be visually appealing. Increasing such spaces will not only help in reducing the air pollution caused due to high dependency on vehicles. Thus, walkable environment leads to the liveable environment of a city.



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April 2022

Guest Lecture
On

Walkability & Liveability

A circular portrait of Mr. Saran Bhatia, a man with glasses and a mustache, wearing a dark shirt.

Mr. Saran Bhatia

Timing : 11:55 am onwards

Venue: Block A, SPD, A-015

For more details contact:- Varsha @ 9971302666, Ishani @ 09205079824



STAKEHOLDERS MEET

The School of Planning and Development (SPD) organized a stakeholder's meet as part of our curriculum.

This semester, as part of studio exercise, M.Plan first-year students took up the city development plan (CDP) for Bawal. Stakeholders play a major contributor in the preparation of the CDP as their suggestions help in the preparation of the strategic plan for the city by the students.

Due to which we organized a stakeholder meet on April 20, 2022 wherein our students presented their study and analysis part to all the stakeholders.



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April 2022

STAKEHOLDER'S MEET
ON
Bawal City
Development Plan

Stakeholders




Government Officials




Private Practitioners



NGOs



Parents



Community Participation

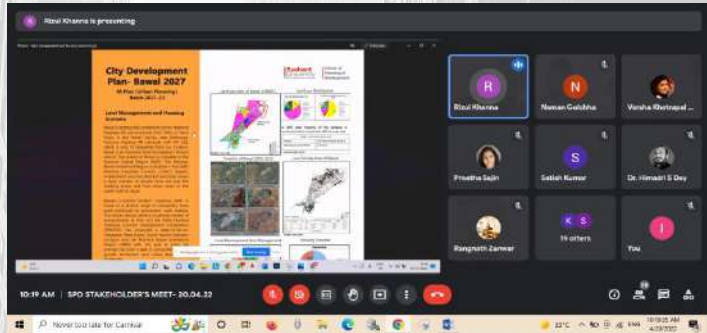
Platform: Google Meet

Joining Link: <https://meet.google.com/cwa-glsz-mmm>

Time: 10:00 am onwards

For more details contact- Varcha @ 9971302666, Ishani @ 09208079824







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WORKSHOP ON LITERATURE REVIEW

On 9th March 2022, workshop on How to do review of literature? was held by School of Planning and development (SPD) through online mode. It was organised and conducted by Ms. Leena Thombre (Assistant professor- SPD). The audience consisted of both students and faculties. The goal of the event was to enhance literature review skills in thesis students and research scholars. This session introduced researchers to the conventional structure of a literature review in thesis, taking into consideration variances in communicative aims and disciplinary distinctions.

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March 2022

Workshop on- How to do
Review of Literature?

2 pm onwards

Themes:

- Resource evaluation
- Writing techniques
- Paraphrasing
- Referencing

Please join:

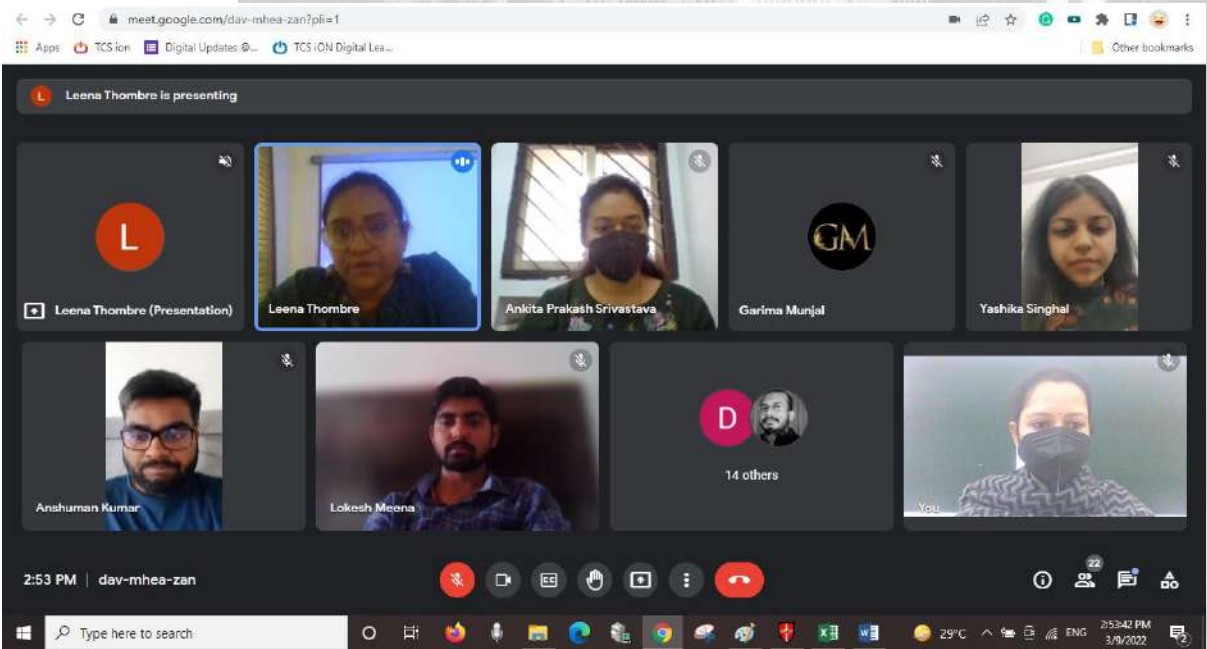
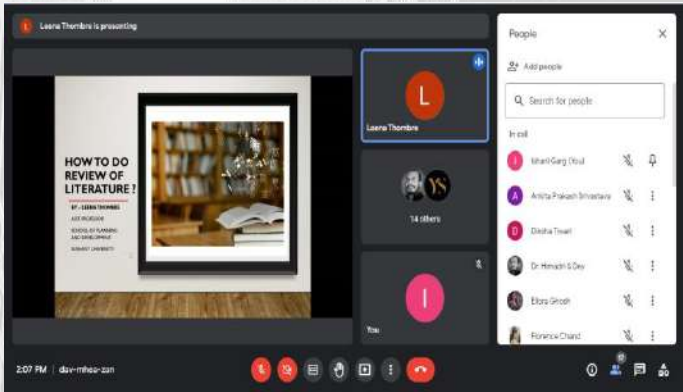
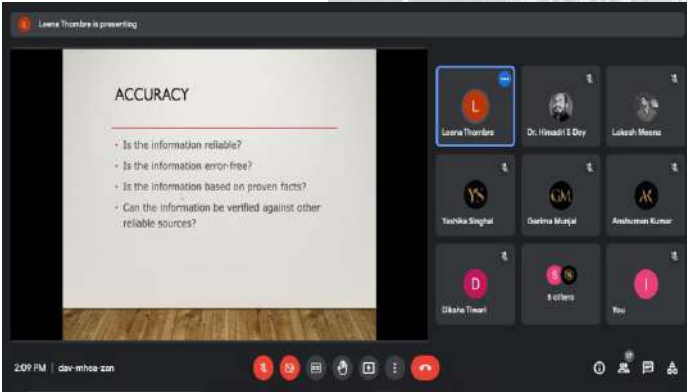
Students

Educators

Research scholars

Join us at : <https://meet.google.com/dav-mhea-zan>
dial +1 234-719-3780 and enter this PIN: 349 617 854#

For more details contact:- Leena @ 8839739216, leenathombre@sushantuniversity.edu.in



DATA COLLECTION TOOLS & TECHNIQUES

On 6th April, 2022 School of Planning and Development (SPD) conducted its advisory council meeting. There were three major discussions agendas for the meeting:

- Pedagogy
- Admission strategies
- Exchange programs and research projects

The council stressed on the exposure of the students to real scenarios, the importance of going beyond contemporary planning methodology and increased communication among the different institutions.



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April 2022

Lecture series - Data collection tools and techniques?

2 – 3 pm

Themes:

- Questionnaire design
- Sampling
- Survey methods
- Data interpretation

Please join:

Students
Educators
Research scholars

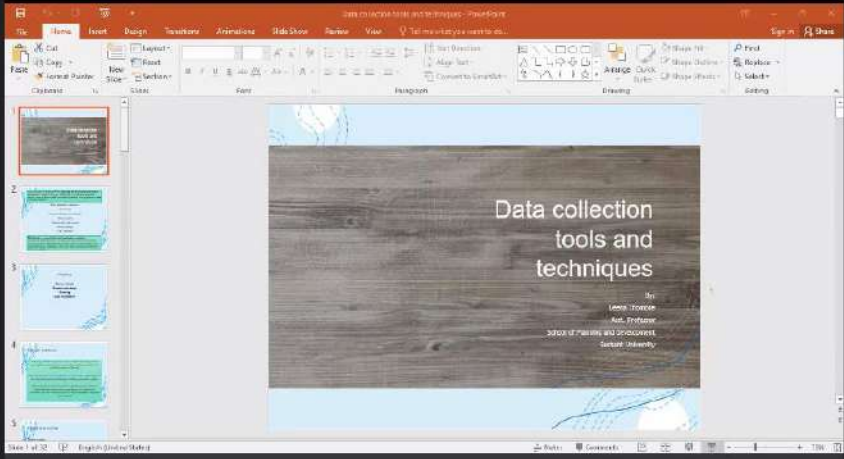


Leena Thombre
Assistant Professor
School of Planning and Development
Sushant University

Join us at : <https://meet.google.com/jua-kigk-fmw>
Otherwise, to join by phone, dial +1 843-638-1205 and enter this PIN: 188 001 196#

For more details contact:- Leena @ 8839739216, leenathombre@sushantuniversity.edu.in

Leena Thombre is presenting



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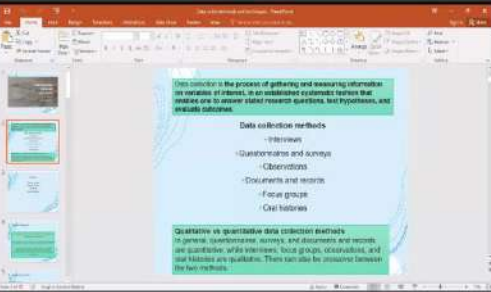
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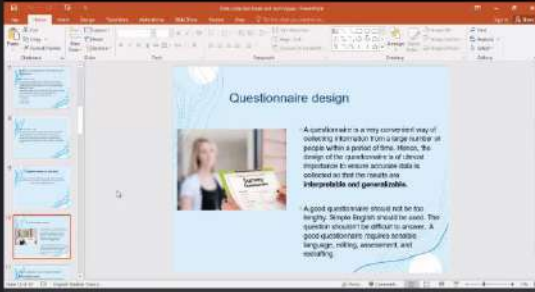
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Leena Thombre is presenting



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ITPI INSPECTION

The Institute of Town Planners India scheduled a visit to the School of Planning and Development, Sushant University on 4th March 2022. It owes its origin to a small group of Town Planners from Delhi, who in 1947 decided to set up a professional Town Planning Institute on the lines similar to the Royal Town Planning Institute, London.

Mr. Mayank Mathur and Mr. S.B. Khadonkar visited the campus to scrutinize the college infrastructure, programs offered, work done by students, etc. The inspection was organised for the Bachelor’s in Urban and Regional Planning course and the integrated course so that they too can be recognized under ITPI.





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10-12

March 2022

2:00 PM to 5:00 PM

FACULTY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME ON GIS

“Geographical Information System – A multidisciplinary tool”

Last Date of Registration **09th March 2022**

Highlights of FDP:-

- To understand about GIS & Its Applications
- To create Maps on GIS software



Ayan Ghosh
Special Investigation Division,
CAD GIS Center, Public Health
& Engineering Department, GoWB



Ankit Pandey
Chartered Engineer and Urban Planner
SPD, Alumiya



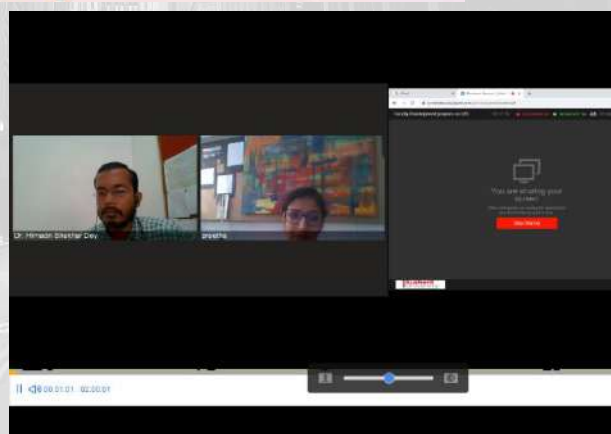
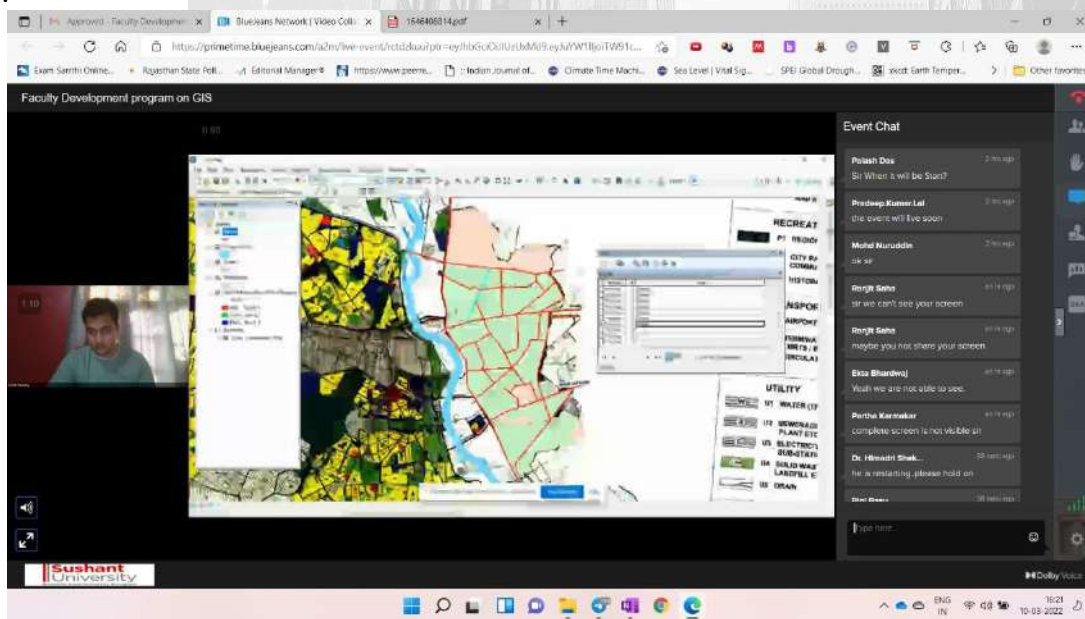
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ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING

On 6th April, 2022 School of Planning and Development (SPD) conducted its advisory council meeting. There were three major discussions agendas for the meeting:

- Pedagogy
- Admission strategies
- Exchange programs and research projects

The council stressed on the exposure of the students to real scenarios, the importance of going beyond contemporary planning methodology and increased communication among the different institutions.



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ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING

April 2022

Time: 10 am Onwards
Platform: Google Meet



Dr. P.S.N. Rao



Mr. Hitesh Vaidya



Mr. Vikas Jain

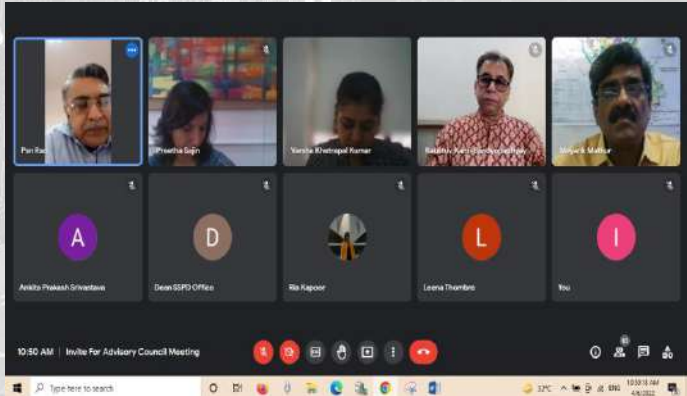
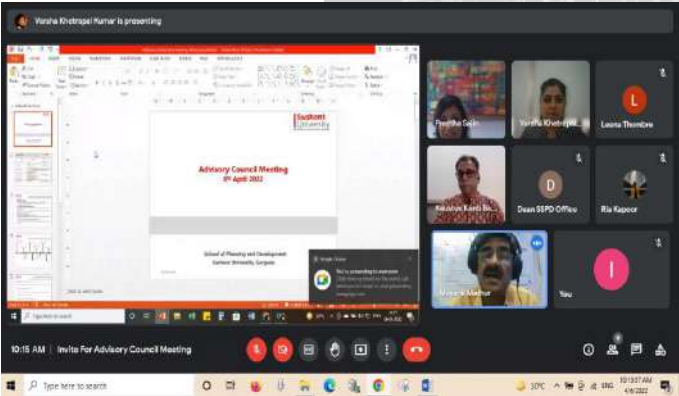
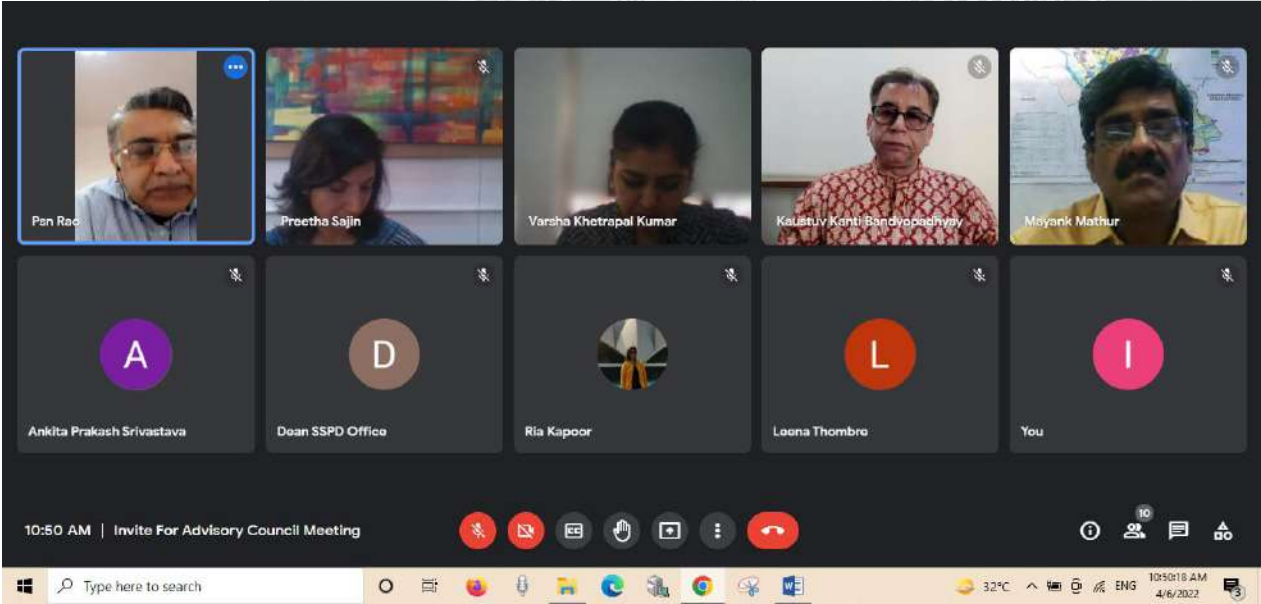


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NOSPlan 2022

NOSPlan is an organization for developing the community of planning students to become better planning professionals of tomorrow. Its purpose is, driving improvements in the state of planning education in India. For the year 2022, the host college was NITTE, Bengaluru and a total of 21 colleges took part in this year's event. As for us from Sushant School of Planning and Development, 19 students set on to the journey to Bangalore from Delhi through rail. The event lasted for three days and had several formal and informal events . After the 3 day event the results were announced and our college proudly stood fourth over all among all the colleges.



SPD PLACEMENT & INTERNSHIP



EXHIBITION OF RESEARCH AND CREATIVE ENDEAVOURS

On 6th May 2022, School of Planning and Development (SPD) organized an exhibition of Research & Creative Endeavours of Urban Planning Students aiming towards the Industry Connect Drive for Internships & Placements. The event was graced by honourable Vice Chancellor, Registrar, Creative Cluster Director, Deans from School of Engineering and technology, School Of Design, and Vatel Hotel and Tourism Business School and by the CRC team.

The goal of the programme was to build partnership with industry people which can provide foundation to the students to achieve their professional aspirations. To strengthen the School's relationship with industry for advisory services, internship/placements, and to create a networking platform for exchanging and scaling up good practices from the field. The school invited various organizations/institutions to the campus to showcase SPD students' work and to assist them with their placement/internship and establish the provision of on-campus placement.



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INTERNSHIP &
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EXHIBITION OF RESEARCH &
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Fichtner Consulting
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Foundation



Town and
Country Planning



GreenCIndia
Consulting Pvt Ltd



Urban Innovation
Lab

Timing: 4:00 pm onwards

Venue: A-015, SPD Block



EXHIBITION OF RESAERCH AND CREATIVE ENDEAVOURS



PLACEMENT & INTERNSHIP DETAILS

Placement: MPlan- II Year



Ellora Ghosh

*Sarathi International,
Creative Footprints*



Kartik Vasisht

Sarathi International



Lokesh Meena

*Town and Country Planning
Organisation (TCPO)
Jodhpur (Internship)*



Paras Mongia

Sarathi International



Shananda Kundu

Sarathi International



Sartaj Singh

*GMDA, Town & Country
Planning Faridabad
(Internship)*



Creative Footprints



Town and Country
Planning



Gurugram Metropolitan
Deve. Authority (GMDA)



Saarathi International
Pvt. Ltd.

INTERNSHIP DETAILS

Internship: MPlan- I Year



Antima Pathak

Praja



Devanshu Yadav

Jaipur Smart City Ltd.



Hrishika Panwar

*Delhi Development
Authority (DDA)*



Meenakshi Gaur

Praja



Naman Golchha

*Town and Country
Planning Organisation
(TCPO) Delhi, Praja,
Cities Forum, CSE*



Nishant Singh

*Delhi Development
Authority (DDA)*



Rizul Khanna

*Town and Country
Planning Organisation
(TCPO) Delhi*



Swati D. Sisoudiya

*Town and Country
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(TCPO) Delhi, Praja*



Vanshika Vashisht

*Town and Country Planning
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Varenya Warrior

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and Environment
(CSE)



Cities Forum



Jaipur Smart
City Limited



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INTERNSHIP DETAILS

Internship: BPlan- III Year



Avdeep

*DLF, Ambiance
Group, TCPO
Haryana*



Mrinali Solanki

*Gurugram Metropolitan
Development Authority
(GMDA)*



Naman Yadav

*Sarathi International,
DLF, Ambiance Group,
TCPO Haryana*



Srinsh Dayma

*Sarathi International,
DLF, Ambiance Group,
TCPO Haryana*

Internship: BPlan- II Year



Abdulla

*Greater Cochin
Development
Authority (GCDA)*



Dev Rao

*Town and Country
Planning Organisation
(TCPO), Chandigarh*



Guneet Kahlon

Cities Forum



Rangnath Zanwar

*Greater Cochin
Development
Authority (GCDA), Praja*



Somya Gupta

Cities Forum, Praja



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Delhi Land & Finance (DLF)



SPD BLOGS



Impact of Tourism on Rural Livelihood

The way of life of the people in the village is different from the way of life of the metro or other cities. Even after industrialization, the majority of the Indian population is still engaged in the field of agriculture. There are others in rural India who make money through various arts, crafts, tourism, etc. Tourism in India not only offers employment and business opportunities to many people working in rural areas but will also help bring individuals of various societies, beliefs and dialects close to each other. It will give a more extensive viewpoint of life. It won't just create work for individuals yet it can likewise foster social, social and instructive qualities. It focuses of sustainable tourism that utilizes rural resources, has little or no negative impact, and provides increasing benefits to rural areas in terms of rural productivity, employment, and culture, as well as local people's involvement and a suitable way of adapting traditional beliefs and values to modern times.



Varun V Nair
M.Plans-- 1 Year

Scenic value, distinctive wildlife assets, cultural assets, agriculture/horticulture/forestry assets, and particular facilities for athletic activities are all physical attributes that will appeal to travellers seeking rural tourism. Rural tourism has the potential to help preserve local culture while also preventing rural-urban migration.

As a result, it may be able to attract tourists by offering an amazing view of the village atmosphere while also serving local food. Traditional design and architecture should be used to produce moderate yet clean housing. In rural tourism, a cooperative structure can be an efficient way to make a beneficial influence on rural communities. On their own, residents can monitor and reduce the harmful impact.



Image Source: <https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/travel/destinations/in-an-attempt-to-boost-rural-tourism-in-northeast-india-guwahati-to-host-2-day-national-conference/as62379201.cms>



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Thus, the government should prioritise rural tourism and assist in the creation of a healthy competitive business climate. They should also generate data for decision-making authorities for human resource development. Create enough accommodations, connection, and communication infrastructure. If explored up to its full potential rural tourism can make a huge difference in the lives of the rural people.

Community Building Through Urban Planning

Communities are a massive structure of different individuals or group of individuals with specific categories based on the religious beliefs, common identity and a relative thing to make them come under the same roof. Therefore, participating in the functional purposes of harmony by enrolling them together, putting the best step forward in taking initiatives to learn about other cultures and rituals is crucial.

We often talk about living in a neighbourhood with different communal perspectives and how we improvise ourselves in the search of living with standards and opinions of every individual who are a part of it. Nature has a way of its own to categorize itself on the basis of various things. It evolves with the growth of environment and the development of people. The society needs physical outcomes which benefit not only the users but also add value as a whole.



Varenna Warrior
M.Plant-- 1 Year

This impactful target is achieved through practices like providing safe streets, co- working spaces and spreading awareness among the larger community to indulgethem and to contribute towards the upliftment of city and its infrastructure in whichever way possible. Urban planning promotes the use of mix development and great public spaces which are designed while keeping in mind the psychology of human interactions.

This helps in bringing the society together. This can also be referred to as transformative planning meaning how a city can transform itself to accommodate new additions and take control in critical decisions and planning abilities. To plan an effective development, the community sometimes needs to have a comprehensive approach to meet the desired community needs for recognizing the interrelationship between economic, social and physical parameters. The development takes place to inculcate the diversities of the cultures and empowering people to outgrow their skill up till the maximum potential.

There are multiple ways in which we all can contribute in the entire process by being part of the following initiatives:

- *Choice in mobility and freedom.*
- *To support and participate in social interaction.*
- *Maintaining our great public spaces.*
- *Opportunities for a healthy life.*
- *Reducing the cost-of-living lifestyle.*
- *Protecting the environment and nature.*
- *Giving a long-lasting value to the city.*
- *Creating a special and unique identity of commodity.*
- *Enrolling in public decision-making process.*
- *Encouraging people to communicate more*



It is high time that we realize the potential of urban planning as a holistic development tool playing an important role in community building and stop looking at it as a mere city designing process.

Urban Planning Capacities in India

Development is inextricably linked to urbanisation, which is frequently a significant driver of economic expansion. As India approaches the critical point of moving from a primarily rural to an urban culture, the focus must be on getting the best results possible. For all areas of society, there are prospects for economic advancement.

Despite significant investment, our cities continue to face several efficiency and sustainability-related difficulties. In several global rankings, none of our cities are among the top 50. The necessity of the hour is for sharp, analytical planning, without which neither investments nor activities can generate long-term results. Unplanned urbanisation may have catastrophic consequences. India has the world's second largest urban system, with about 11% of the global urban population residing in Indian cities. In terms of absolute numbers, India's urban population outnumbers that of other highly urbanised countries and areas throughout the world.



Naman Golcha
M. Plan-- I Year

Depending on corrective policy measures and actions adopted at the start of this decade, India's urban narrative may be applauded globally or suffer long term damage in the next 10-15 years.

Development control policies in many Indian cities were developed decades ago and have been modified haphazardly without sufficient empirical proof of their effects. Many cities' development control policies stretch back decades and have been changed haphazardly without adequate empirical evidence of their effects. It is important that municipal governments should adjust the model regulations to their unique contexts and economic growth factors. In addition, there is a need to move away from text-based rules and toward form-based regulations in order to assure the most efficient use of urban land and to allow development based on an appropriate urban form.



Image Source: Public Policy Advisory by Athenainfonomics, Urban Planning India by Dr. Shovan K. Saha



Image Source: Rebuild cities as spaces of Dignity, Indian Express, July 2020

By 2030, every city should aspire to become a "healthy city for all." This would require the coordination of multi-sectoral initiatives at the crossroads of spatial planning, public health, and socioeconomic development. In addition, the focus of urban growth planning must include hundreds of small and medium-sized towns in addition to the million-plus metropolis.

The Town and Country Planning Act has been enacted in most states in India, allowing them to prepare and notify master plans for execution. These Acts serve as a foundation for transforming cities, regions, and their identities. Many, on the other hand, need to be evaluated and updated to reflect the most recent technological breakthroughs, as well as urban and regional planning techniques and policies. As a result, it is recommended that a State-level apex committee should be established to conduct periodical reviews of planning legislation for improvising urban capacities in India.

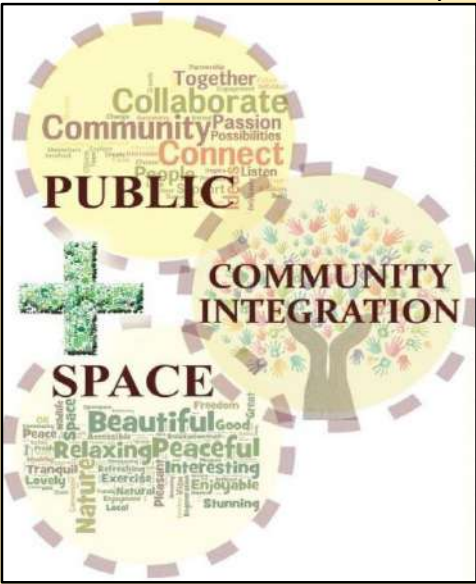
Role of Urban Public Spaces in Community Integration

Urban Public Spaces leave a very strong impression on our minds as these are mere experiences which continue to remain with us as memories. People not only spend time there but they actually meet, communicate, celebrate goodness and enjoy being together. Different places cater different purpose and possess various characteristics / aural feeling because of which our mood changes, hence we behave accordingly. Urban Spaces are breathable places within city’s urban-fabric. These are knowledge sharing platform for social-interaction which are commutable, open to all regardless of any caste, culture, age-groups or gender-bias. Modern era consists of exclusionary planned spaces comparing to contemporary ones as those had the tendency of promoting inclusive and equitable environment by their nature itself. Significantly, the involvement of large-scale business interests has resulted in privatization of these spaces, considering and visualizing their identity based primarily on aesthetics.

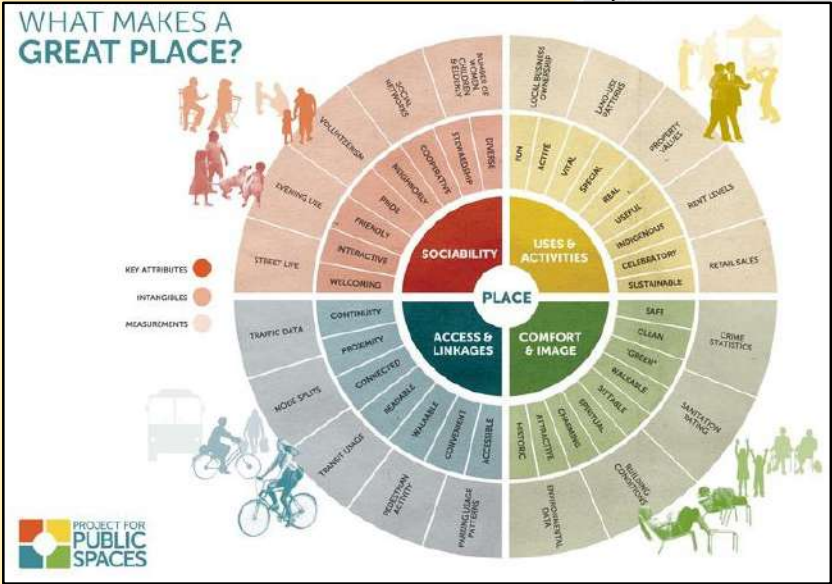


Paras Mongia
M.Planning-- II Year

Therefore, the key components inevitable to define the inclusiveness of a true urban space are profitably ignored by majority of authorities. This initially leads to social exclusion, gentrification and less exposure of people as a part of their community to access the space and finally because of their absence in decision-making, civic functions, process of resurgence or managing their neighbourhood spaces along with their unfulfilled needs. Instead of classifying deprived people as marginalized, a holistic approach of incorporating community participation and strong communication would play a vital role in resolving the issues faced by planners, architects, place making agents, urban practitioners and policy-makers. Urban areas weaved within the city’s fabric are the outcomes of its evolution over the years.



Relationship of Spaces and People helps in strengthening Community Integration
Image Source: Author



Place Diagram, a tool to help people in judging any place, good or bad
Image Source: <https://www.archdaily.com/914616/what-makes-a-great-public-place>

Thus, there is immense scope in the discipline of “Urban and Regional Planning” as a profession where budding planners seek many opportunities to research, learn and work on sensitive issues and challenges in modern cities and regions which are untouched or are under the process of evaluation to integrate diverse communities, developing framework for their future guided development, understanding the character and growth pattern of these areas at different levels from neighbourhood (local context) to city or region (larger context).

Affordable Housing

As we say food, shelter, clothing are three most important aspects of life. In today's era affordable housing has also become an important aspect of healthy and sustainable communities. Good, inexpensive housing has become the need of the hour in order to confront the challenges of urban segregation. High land and housing prices have created an acute housing demand. People are spending their life saving on creating a shelter for living but still they are unable to earn it. Countries have been working on finding the solution for providing affordable housing to its citizens. To overcome housing shortage concept of affordable housing is an effective solution. Over the years, government is trying to provide home for all but was not able to succeed much. India has a unique and rich architectural legacy of affordable housing projects that bring together tradition and modernity; at the scale of the material, the dwelling, the neighborhood and the city.



Somya Gupta
B.Plan-- II Year

India's experiments of affordable housing attempts not only to provide basic shelter, but to create spaces that enable inhabitants to become a part of a community and the city. According to the US Department of Housing and Development, households that spend more than 30% of their income on housing are cost burdened; consequently, affordable housing is defined as spending 30% or less of one's salary on housing. Housing expenditures, including mortgage or rent payments and utilities, should not exceed 30% of a household's total income. Mumbai Metropolitan Region Development Authority (MMRDA) considers affordable housing if one has to spend maximum 25% on it. In India, it may be described as housing that is affordable to economically disadvantaged (EWS) and low-income groups (LIG). Affordable housing faces some challenges in India like lack of availability of urban land at reasonable price, high taxes, rules and regulations, etc. India's central and state governments have launched many schemes in order to encourage home ownership. The Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana which was launched in 2015, DDA Housing Scheme, NTR Housing Scheme are some of the affordable housing schemes by the government which offers various incentives to homebuyers and benefits for everyone.



Image Source: <https://www.makaan.com>

Why is town planning important ?

Whenever we do some important work in our life we plan it out first, the important parts the steps everything, so why not plan something which increases the quality of life of the people, protects the history, provides safety and creates a more functional environment.

Since Vedic era town planning has always been there, the remains of Indus valley civilization still shows the way cities were planned then is far better than the way cities are now. The sewage and housing systems, transport network and even the land use was all so well made because of Town planning. While planning a town each node, junction, street, and every single patch of land is kept into mind. Even the nature of the population living in that particular area is studied through various surveys. Thus the plan made is in the best interest of the people.



Sahiba Kohli

B.Plan-- I Year

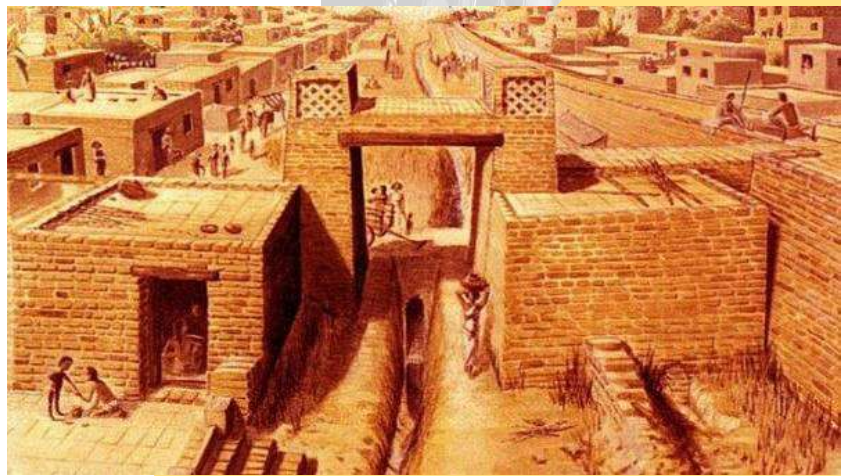


Image Source: <https://www.quora.com/Does-the-urban-planning-and-culture-of-the-Indus-Valley-civilization-provide-inputs-to-the-present-day-urbanization>

Planning is done in such a way that there is minimum traffic congestion or water clogging problems and the road network is made such that it connects the whole town minimising the distances, and making it safe for people to travel. The town is provided with health care facilities, entertainment needs, basic amenities, etc.

The provision of small and big parks, open areas etc., not only gives the residents an environmental friendly place to live but also caters to the environmental needs of the area to certain extent, which is the need of the hour. In an unplanned town, problems such as traffic congestion, water logging, and land shortage for housing along with absence of open area, educational institutions and healthcare facilities nearby can be faced. But when planned efficiently, logically and statistically all these issues can be avoided and maximum comfort can be provided to the people while attaining sustainability. Thus, now the Government of India is also taking active efforts in the same direction realizing the importance of planning, for the betterment of its people.



Image Source: https://www.teahub.io/viewwp/iowwhh_aerial-photography/

Building sustainable and livable cities and communities post COVID-19

The COVID-19 epidemic has foisted a huge blow on all global husbandry, and metropolises are at the van of the extremity. A failure to alleviate the grim realities of the epidemic has stressed the deep vulnerabilities and inter liaison between health, social, profitable and environmental systems in metropolises. With further than 100 countries across the globe facing the thrust of the COVID-19 epidemic with thick metropolises getting more easy targets due to the supposition that they're anathema for social distancing. The COVID-19 lockdowns have presented a regard into the future of a hot, crowded and climate-uncertain world. With ocean situations rising and the trouble of climate- related disasters brewing, it's necessary to review how thepost-COVID-19 world should operate. Absolute social distancing as espoused by some countries during the lockdown isn't a sustainable option in the long- term.



Ellora Ghosh
M.Planning-- II Year



Social mingling and the exchange of ideas through physical relations is the abecedarian base of urbanization. With numerous metropolises affected, the more important becomes the question of how we live healthy in similar civic agglomerations and can relinquishment to sustainable mitigation strategies help in better epidemic operation in the future. The ultramodern development of metropolises has taken root around a central binding theme, be it green metropolises, smart metropolises, healthy metropolises, or sustainable metropolises. The epidemic has revealed that making healthier and greener metropolises should become an important parameter for development. The extremity has dramatically elevated the issues of some of the most iconic metropolises around the world. At an original time, individualities abiding in foremost weakened metropolises got some rare casts of contaminated skies and clean air. Some of the fractures introduced during the COVID-19 extremity are with respects to the deficit of open spaces, ineffective resource operation for the affected population, and dislocations in energy consumption. These are matters that have a base within the absence of applicable civic planning for adaptability and sustainability. An accompanied strategy that responds to both COVID-19 and thus the climate extremity must be enforced so that we do not see adverse goods of both during implicit afflictions. Fastening on indirect frugality fabrics, sustainable civic mobility, and accelerating investment in green structure and renewable should be precedence. The metamorphosis in the transportation sector must align with the green docket to make metropolises flexible and sustainable to future by creating well- voiced public transport with traffic caps and pricing, promoting bike lifts, and encouraging the use of non-motorized transport are some of the ways how this balance can be achieved. After months of lockdowns and counter blockade, with populations passing'COVID-19 fatigue 'and a breakdown in clinging to preventives, open spaces for recreation and physical exertion came pivotal. Metropolises that warrant similar areas must rethink space operation to alleviate the internal and physical health impacts of afflictions within the future. An civic indirect frugality is one during which metropolises keep coffers in use for as long as possible, prize the utmost value from them while in use, also recover and regenerate products and accoutrements at the top of their life. As opposed to the traditional direct frugality model in which we make, use and dispose coffers, the indirect model focuses on structure and conserving profitable, natural and social capital.

Image Source: Redesigning Cities for Resilience and Livability | Development Asia

Rethinking public spaces

The mental status and health of the public of a particular city is determined by the public spaces and quality they serve, in terms of both physical and psychological aspects. Public spaces have always catered as an interactive and social space for people to engage with each other and in activities. People from different culture and backgrounds come together at one point and express themselves in different terms like ideas, values and beliefs which explain its main motive. Every city has its own essence, if planned well they prove to be a healthier city in terms of being popular as financial and economical capitals. Public spaces are the part of urban landscape and planning process where even the smallest level of interactions also matter. City authorities also play an important role while planning and designing these public places such as parks, green areas and streets. To enhance the activities and functionality of the cities a well designed public space plays an important role contributing to the improvement in visual and economic sectors.



Rashi Sharma
M.Planner-- 1 Year

To regulate the excessive use of fossil fuels and release of carbon emissions in highly crowded neighbourhoods, adequate planning of public spaces, transportation, infrastructure, cycling, pedestrian and eco- friendly mobility and non-motorized ones needs to be executed. A proper space for sports, cultural and recreational activities, including environmental friendly structures with proper public spaces, pedestrian pathways, and streetscape for crowd to gather should be provided so that different social groups can promote their diversity and culture which will attract more people towards there to reside more and enjoy a good lifestyle. Fossil fuels are decreasing so the green economy should not be based on it. While planning and designing, the local authorities should work on low emissions as well as the main motive should also be to tackle the climate change. The first step towards this would be to realize that streets are for the people and they need to be designed accordingly.

Depending upon the nature the behaviour of the people varies, some prefer crowd place and some like cosy and quite place depending upon their comfort. Depicting an individual thought open spaces are best platforms to exhibit arts and performances to express emotions and beliefs. These activities helps these developing artists to exhibit art like sculpture, murals, art performances, public arts and memorials for probable outcome. It helps them to gather a large number of audiences to deliver or channelize their positive and desired energy.



Image: Public space and Public life during COVID-19
Image Source: Gehlpeople

This pandemic told us that the change is inevitable but it has damaged our roots. The requirement and need of people changed from place to place. Public places are simply for public to use in the desired and appropriate ways but the current situation is not balanced. We are the part of public and we should be highly responsive and active towards creating a healthy and cohesive public realm.

Challenges to sustainable urban development in India

Today there is a major demand and supply gap in urban infrastructure and services due to rapid urbanization in India. This in turn is leading to urban sprawl. While on one hand, this is contributing to the economic growth and productivity of the country, on the other hand, it is also adversely affecting the environment. Therefore, there is a need to make a shift towards sustainable urban planning practices now, more than ever. Sustainable Urban Planning is planning for urban areas in such a way so as to promote intergenerational equity while not putting any stress on the surroundings economically, environmentally as well as socially. As much as sustainable urban planning has emerged as an essential goal to cope with the pressures of urbanization, it still lacks a universal definition. There is a lot of ambiguity with regard to the criteria of sustainable development in India, which poses a major challenge in this subject.



Swati Sisoudiya
M. Plan-- I Year

With pollution taking a toll on people’s health all over the country, especially in the National Capital Region, society is becoming more and more conscious of the importance of sustainable development. However, urban local bodies in India today, are facing a mighty deficit of trained and skilled human resources. Moreover, unplanned urbanization and unregulated construction activities in the country are also creating a mighty challenge in achieving sustainable urban development. Another significant obstacle is the inefficiency of land policy in India. In order to produce goods and services for sustainable urban development, the land is the most important resource, yet urban India is afflicted by a shortage of housing facilities and scarcity of land. The crux of this problem is the inadequate and inefficient land policy of the country. National Commission on Urbanisation in India, 1988 acknowledged the need for the promotion of flexibility in land use, adequate supply of land as well as efficiency and equity in the supply of land. It is high time that steps are taken to not just integrate the principles of sustainable development into the programs and policies of the country but also ensure their strict and proper implementation. This will make certain the reversal of the loss of environmental resources while improving the quality of life for the people of this country.



Image: Compact City Concept
Image Source: IOP Conference

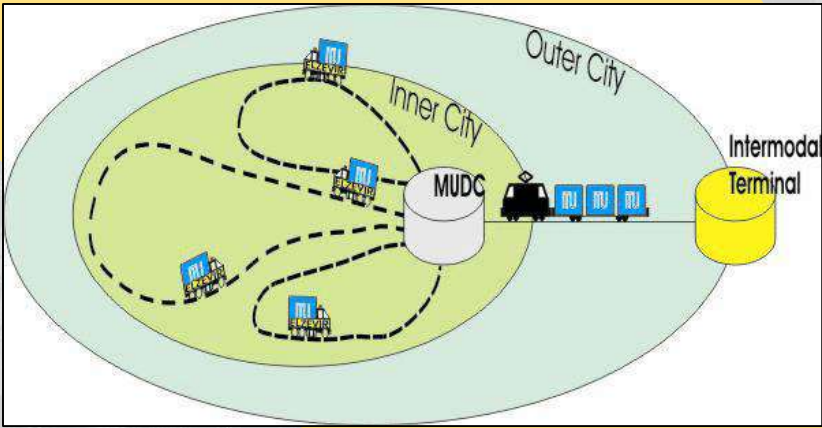


Image: Multimodal Urban Region Concept
Image Source: MUDC Report

Since land is a scarce resource in our country, urban areas need to be planned in an optimal way so as to make urban form sustainable. Concepts like “The Compact City” and “Multimodal Urban Region” enable this. The Compact City concept focuses on building small scale self-sufficient cities, which provide everything that one needs to live in a community, including work opportunities.

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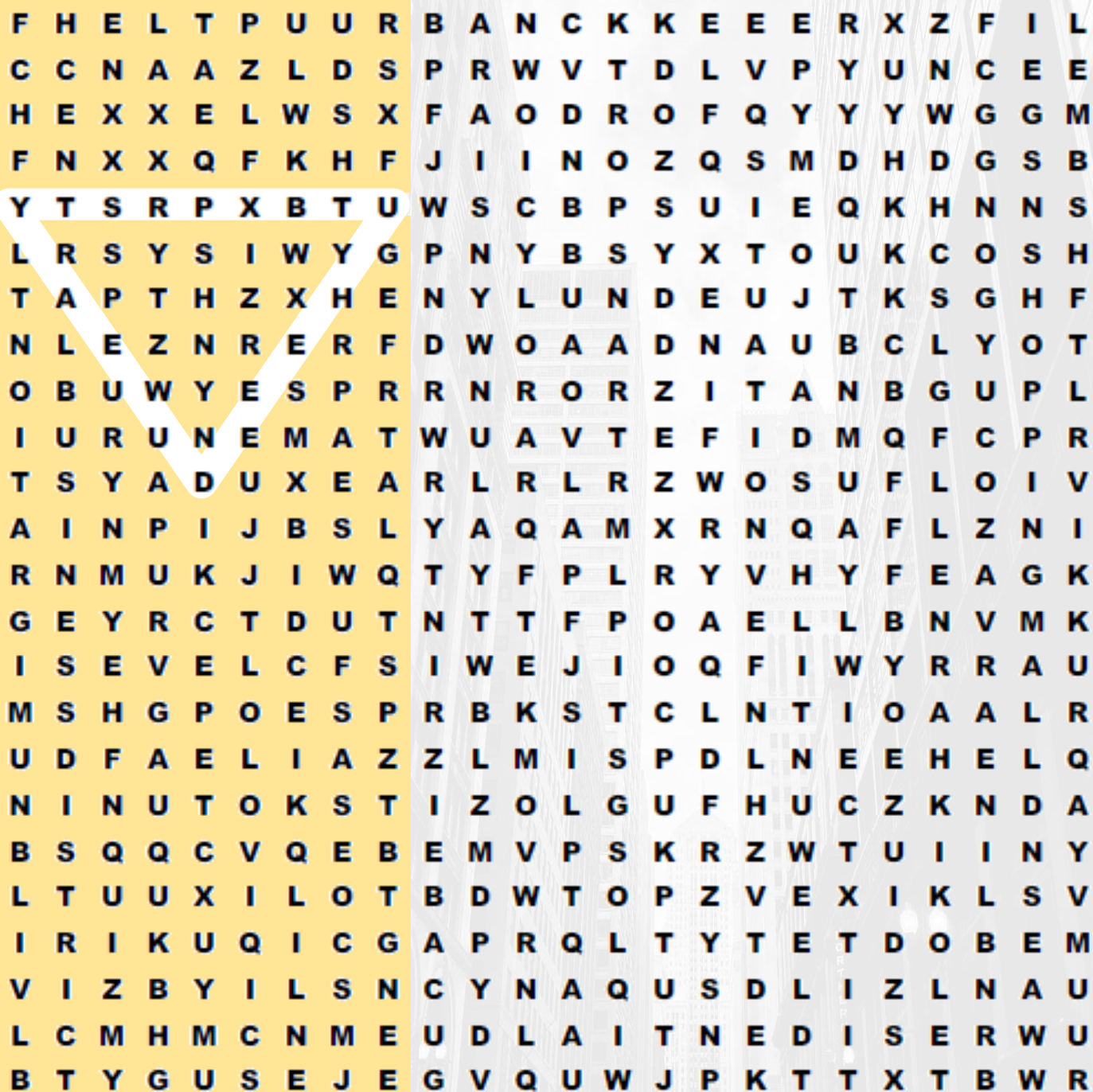


FRESHERS & FAREWELL

On 27th May, 2022 the students of Mplan first year organized a farewell party for their seniors. Along with this a freshers party to welcome the first year Mplan and Bplan students was also organized.



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- Pollution
- Situation
- Traffic
- Urban

- Shopping Mall
- Transport
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- Site

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