

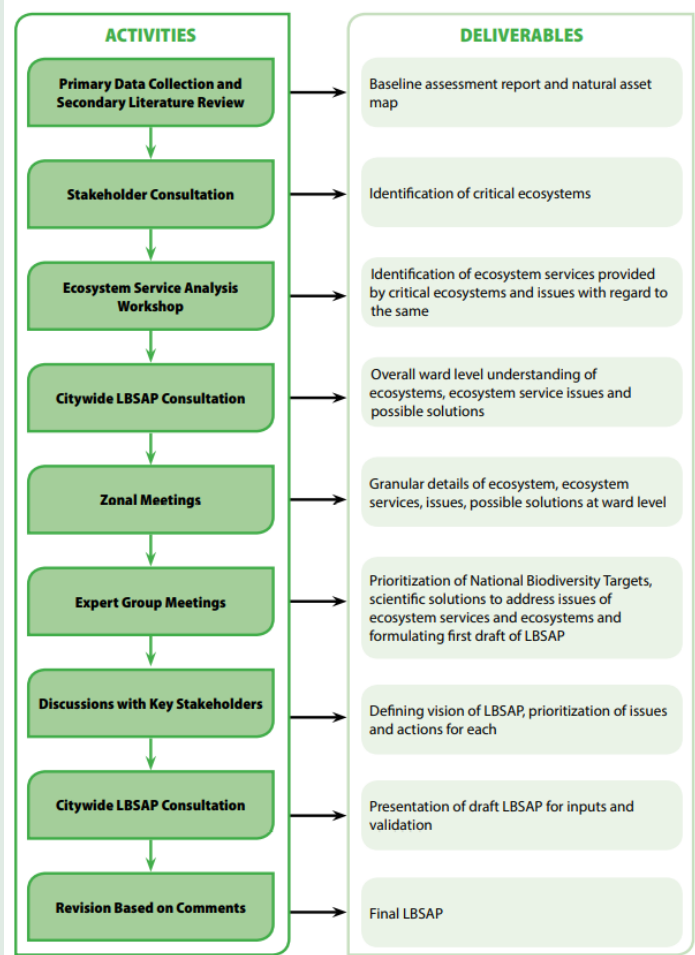
Kochi

Local Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plan (LBSAP)

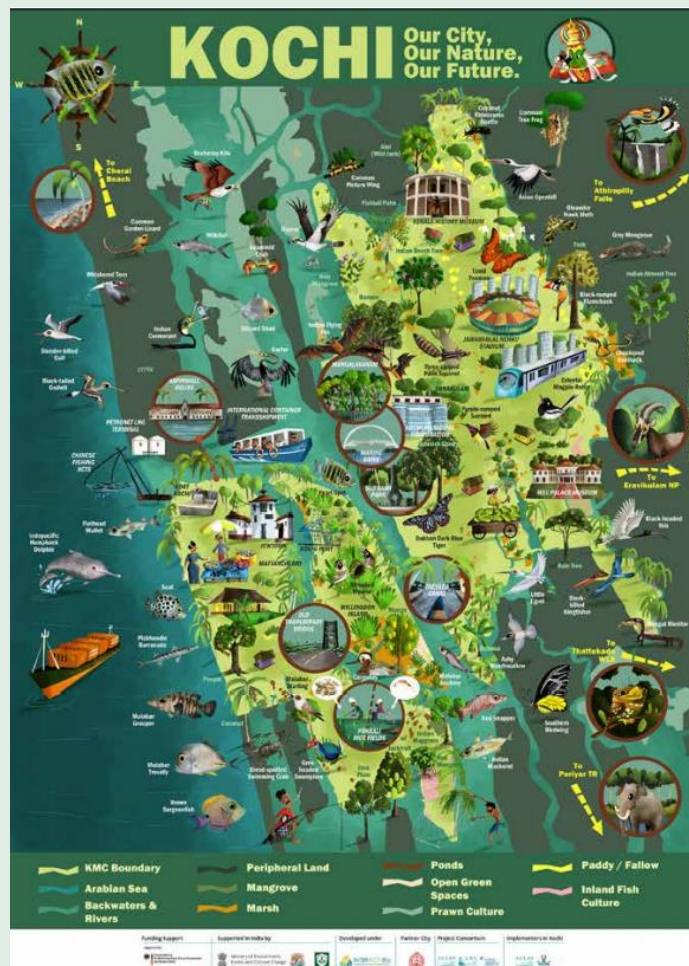
The Local Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plan (LBSAP) for the City of Kochi articulates through the method by which to implement the vision, strategic objectives and actions necessary for conservation and protection of biodiversity in the city. The LBSAP is a tool, with which local governments (Kochi Municipal Corporation in this case), its various departments, and the local community can work together to deliver continued action for biodiversity stewardship.

The LBSAP of Kochi sets out a framework and a plan of action for conservation and sustainable use of biological diversity and equitable sharing of benefits derived from this use. It provides an overview of key issues, constraints and opportunities, identified during the extensive consultation meetings carried out with various stakeholders in the city. The city has defined its LBSAP vision as 'conserve its biodiversity, maintain the uninterrupted flow of ecosystem services, and ensure sustainable, safe and climate resilient development by managing its mosaic of ecosystems through a participatory planning approach'.

The city has also identified nine focus areas. This LBSAP suggests appropriate actions, comprising of both soft and hard measures to address issues faced in each of these focus areas.

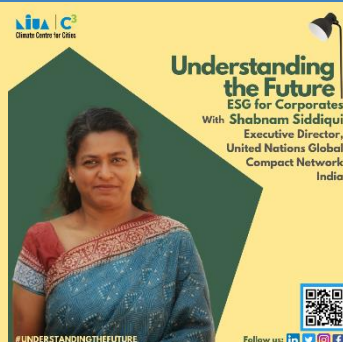


LBSAP development process



Illustrated natural asset map of Kochi Municipal Corporation

PODCAST



Understanding the Future Podcast

Climate Centre for Cities in its next podcast episode talks with Shabnam Siddiqui, Executive Director, UN Global Compact Network India on the topic of ESG for Corporates. In this episode, we try to understand the different components of the ESG (Environmental, Social and Governance), how it varies for different corporates as well as how it is different from CSR.

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IEA Report on "Empowering Cities for a Net Zero Future: Unlocking resilient, smart, sustainable urban energy systems"

Ms. Raina Singh, Lead - Policy and Partnerships, C-Cube, NIUA contributed to the newly released International Energy Agency (IEA) report on "Empowering Cities for a Net Zero Future: Unlocking resilient, smart, sustainable urban energy systems", developed for the G20 Italian presidency.

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