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Subject: Seeking comments on the draft "Harmonised Guidelines & Standards for Universal Accessibility in India"

The draft of the "Harmonized Guidelines & Standards for Universal Accessibility in India" has been prepared under the Building Accessible, Safe and Inclusive Indian Cities (BASIIC) programme at the National Institute of Urban Affairs. The programme is supported by the Foreign Commonwealth and Development Office of the UK Government. The revision process of the guidelines was undertaken in partnership with the Department of Architecture, Indian Institute of Technology, Roorkee and Central Public Works Department (CPWD).

An inclusive approach was taken in the revision of the document, which included conducting perception surveys, public consultations, and focused group discussions with persons with (different) disabilities, elderly, women, caregivers, and children through different stages.

The draft document is now available on the public domain for further comments and suggestions. The comments may be submitted by 27.08.2021 at the following email id - uchoudhury@niua.org, kbansal@niua.org

The report can be downloaded from https://cpwd.gov.in/WriteReadData/other-cir/50837.pdf

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