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Sub: Invitation for Back To The City webinar to promote COVID safe distancing protocols in cities and learn from experience of key stakeholders

Dear Dr Kundu,

Greetings from GIZ!!!

GIZ India collaborated with CEPT University to publish a compilation of ideas to tackle covid-crisis in urban areas through a series of guidebooks titled "Back to the City". The guidebooks highlight the criticality of public spaces in our cities and the need for new protocols that we must adhere to in these spaces. The compendium is useful for government, citizens and private stakeholders as it lays down responsibilities for COVID responsive cities.

To take the conversation forward on these guidebooks, a webinar is scheduled on **08 December 2020, Tuesday from 03:00-05:00 pm IST** on MS Teams platform. Objective of the webinar is to promote COVID safe distancing protocols in cities and learn from experiences of the key city stakeholders.

We invite you at the event as a speaker for closing remarks, paving the way forward and vote of thanks. The event is aimed at advancing the agenda of keeping cities and citizens safe from COVID. Please find the agenda attached to this letter.

We look forward to your positive response.

Thanking you,

Regards,

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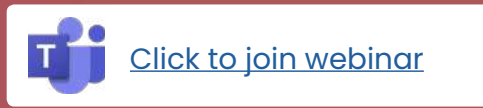
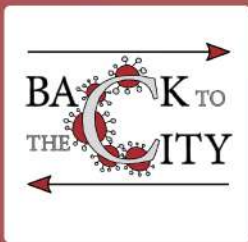
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December 8, 2020 | 03:00 - 05:00 PM IST

URBAN LIFE WITH COVID

Online Event

Seven months into the COVID outbreak, it is now increasingly clear that life in the cities have to be adjusted appropriately for several more months. Cities and citizens have to adopt and abide by COVID specific rules and protocols in their day to day activities and schedules. The main purpose of this national webinar is to share information and knowledge on how to promote COVID safe distancing protocols in our daily lives and also to learn from the experiences of key city stakeholders.

Back To The City Webinar

Agenda (Draft)

Venue: Online on MS Teams

Date: 08 Dec 2020

Time: 3 pm to 5 pm IST

Time slot	Session	Speaker
3:00 - 3:10	Welcome and opening remarks	Ms Aparna Das Senior Advisor, GIZ SUD-SC
3:10 - 3:25	Redefining Public Spaces and Local Area Plans	Mr Kunal Kumar, IAS Joint Secretary (Smart Cities) and Vice President NIUA MoHUA, Government of India
3:25- 3:40	Presentation of CoVID safe distancing protocols	Dr Saswat Bandyopadhyay Professor, CEPT University, Ahmedabad
3:40 - 3:55	Back to the City Compendium	Mr Georg Jahnsen Project Manager, GIZ SUD-SC
3:55-4:00	Break	
4:00 - 4:20	Voices from the Cities Moderated by: Prof. Chetan Vaidya Senior National Urban Advisor Kochi Smart City Project GOPA Infra	Dr Omprakash, IAS Deputy Municipal Commissioner, Ahmedabad Municipal Corporation, Gujarat Mr Swayan Pal Chowdhury Former Chief Executive Officer Smart City, Panaji, Goa

Time slot	Session	Speaker
4:20-4:50	<p>Voices from the City Stakeholders</p> <p>Moderated by</p> <p>Ms. Aparna Das Senior Advisor, GIZ SUD-SC</p>	<p>Ms Smita Ghosh Chief Counsellor - Behavioural Educator Skills for Adolescence Anand Niketan School, Ahmedbad, Gujarat</p> <p>Mr Pankaj Kumar Bhatt Chairman, Sahajanand Residency Ahmedabad, Gujarat</p>
4:50-5:00	<p>Closing remarks and way forward</p> <p>Vote of thanks</p>	<p>Dr Debolina Kundu Senior Faculty Member National Institute of Urban Affairs</p>