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### **CONTRIBUTION OF NIUA PROJECTS TOWARDS SDGs**



# **NIUA's Projects Covering** Goal 9



Developing a guiding framework for sustainable and inclusive development of Delhi

Sustainable, Healthy, Learning Cities and Neighborhoods

Strengthening urban research capacity in developing countries

Transit Oriented Development in Indian 3

Enabling institutional frameworks for transit oriented development in Indian cities

Scale and Nature of Deprivation among Children in Urban India

Promoting equitable opportunities for children and adolescents due to urban-rural divide

Innovation Hub for Urban Water, Sanitation & Hygiene

Improving WASH sector performance

Sustainable Cities Integrated Approach 6

Integrating sustainability strategies into urban planning and management performance

CapaCITIES

Capacity building for mitigation and adaptation measures against climate change

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# A Self-Reliant India will Emerge from its Self-Reliant Cities:

The 6th Smart Cities India 2021 Expo was held in Delhi from 24-26 March. Hitesh Vaidya, Director, NIUA delivering the keynote address for City Leader Conclave highlighted that the post-COVID times will witness a dramatic restructuring of the economic and social order in which the local governments and society will play a significant role in responding to the pandemic. The three-day event was attended by the dignitaries from the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs, and urban local body officials from the Smart Cities. For further details, click here.

The urban discourse need to focus on strengthening institutional preparedness and capacity, and enabling environments.

Hitesh Vaidya, Director, NIUA

## French Delegation Visits Bhubaneshwar to Review NIUA Project

A delegation led by Bruno Bosle, Country Director, Agencé Française de Développement (AFD), Thomas Salez, Economic Counsellor, Energy and Industry Division, Regional Economic Services of the French Embassy along with CITIIS project representatives from NIUA visited Bhubaneshwar to review the B-Active project. The project is based on maximising the use of open spaces for a healthy and smart living strategy. The delegation held discussions with the officials from Bhubaneshwar Smart City Limited to understand the challenges in project implementation in the city. For further details, click here.



#### **WORLD WATER DAY**

#### Value of Water Management in India Discussed on **World Water Day**

The Center for Environment, Climate Change and Sustainable Development at the IMPRI organised a webinar Value of Water in India on 21 March. Nikita Madan from NIUA spoke on role of civil societies, local governments and multilateral agencies in water management. To watch full video, click here.





#### NIUA Releases a Compendium on Value of Water

NIUA released a compendium entitled Celebrating the Intangible Value of Water on the occasion of World Water Day. Victor Shinde, Lovlesh Sharma, and Vishakha Jha from NIUA compiled the document.



It highlights examples from different countries where the value of water is celebrated through customs, traditions, festivals, and beliefs. To read the full compendium, click here.

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