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CITIIS Launches Implementation Phase of the Programme



CITIIS Partners—MoHUA, AFD, EU, and NIUA along with CEOs of Chennai, Amritsar, and Surat Smart Cities

City Investments to Innovate, Integrate and Sustain (CITIIS) at NIUA organised a workshop on 3 September to launch the implementation phase of the programme. Twelve projects on innovative and sustainable urban infrastructure worth Rs. 1,300 crore are due to be completed by 2023 under this programme. The projects are being monitored through the CITIIS management platform developed by NIUA.

The workshop also included felicitation of the SPVs of Chennai, Amritsar and Surat—the top three cities to complete 'Maturation Phase'. Representatives from all three SPVs shared their journey, success, learnings and challenges during the workshop. For more information on the CITIIS programme, click <u>here</u>.



CEO of Chennai Smart City receiving the award

'URGENT' Initiative at NIUA Organises a Lecture on Urban Agriculture

The URGENT Initiative (Urban Resilience and Adaptation for India and Mongolia) at NIUA organised a lecture—**Looking at Urban Agriculture beyond Food Systems** on 28 August. The lecture included critical perspectives on urban resilience by two distinguished international speakers Dr. Andrew Adam-Bradford, Visiting Researcher, University of Surrey, U.K, and Dr. Richard Baines, Principal Consultant, Agri-Business and Community Development, Gloucester, U.K.



The speakers shared insights on the relevance of urban agriculture systems and their role in building resilience. For more information on the URGENT Initiative, click <u>here</u>.

SDIC Conducts a Consultation Workshop in Bhopal

The Capacity Building for Smart Data and Inclusive Cities (SDIC) project at NIUA conducted a community consultation workshop— **Community Embedded Decision Support System** in Bhopal on 31 August. The purpose of the workshop was to collect feedback on urban management issues from the community to facilitate exchange of ideas, and moving towards building a community-led decision support system for Bhopal Smart City. For more information on SDIC, click <u>here</u>.



Citizens giving their feedback during the workshop

NIUA at World Water Week

The National Mission for Clean Ganga organised a session—**Developing River-Sensitive Cities** on 25 August to celebrate the World Water Week. Victor R. Shinde, Team Lead, Water and Environment represented NIUA and talked about the frameworks that NIUA has developed to operationalise integrated river basin management, where cities will have to play a vital role in realising the vision for the river. For more information on the NMCG programme, click <u>here</u>.



NIUA to Evaluate Implementation of Odisha's Mission Drink from Tap

NIUA has collaborated with the Government of Odisha to evaluate the efficiency and impact of their **Drink from Tap** mission, designed to provide the residents with 24x7 drinking water in Puri and Bhubaneshwar. NIUA team—Victor Shinde, Debjani Ghosh, and Rahul Sachdeva visited the two cities to meet the Principal Secretary, Housing and Urban Development, Government of Odisha and key stakeholders in order to initiate the assessment.



NIUA team at Water Corporation of Odisha, Head office, Bhubaneshwar

Job openings

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P4-Lead, Climate Centre for Cities. Last date to apply: 8 September

Programme Manager-CITIIS Last date to apply: 15 September

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