

NIUA Launches Special Series Magazine on SDG 11 in Collaboration with eGov

The first issue of NIUA-eGov special series on *SDG 11-Sustainable Cities and Communities*, was launched on World Environment Day, 5 June by Shri Durga Shanker Mishra, Secretary, Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs.

NIUA has collaborated with the eGov magazine to bring out this series to help create a knowledge-sharing ecosphere related to SDGs, with academia and research institutions, industry partners and governments. To read this inaugural issue of the series focused on *SDG 11.1—Ensure access for all to adequate, safe and affordable housing and basic services and upgrade slums by 2030*, click [here](#).

To watch the complete video of the launch, click [here](#).



Shri Durga Shanker Mishra (third from left) launching the NIUA-eGov magazine, with team NIUA at MoHUA premises

// On World Environment Day, I congratulate NIUA for taking lead in the advocacy of SDG11. It acquires great significance in this pandemic as it helps make our cities more resilient, equitable, sustainable and safer for all. //

Shri Durga Shanker Mishra
Secretary, MoHUA

NIUA Observes World Environment Day

NIUA organised a suite of activities such as publication of blogs, posters, podcasts, and articles culminating on 5 June to mark the World Environment Day. The focus of the activities was on this year's theme of World Environment Day **Ecosystem Restoration—Reimagine, Recreate, Restore**. To download World Environment Day NIUA posters, click [here](#).



NIUA Experts Highlight Mainstreaming Climate Actions in Development Agenda to Boost Infra Resiliency

Hitesh Vaidya, Director, NIUA, and Raina Singh, Senior Fellow, Climate Centre for Cities, NIUA, in an article published in the *Economic Times* stressed that while natural disasters adversely impact the cities, there is a need to integrate the national missions on climate change into planning of cities, and work towards achieving sustainable and resilient infrastructure. To read the complete article, click [here](#).

Impact of COVID-19 on Neighbourhoods is uneven: Debolina Kundu

Prof. Debolina Kundu from NIUA while talking at an event on 4 June, organised by the University of Glasgow (U.K) as a part of *Urban Studies Seminar Series: Urban Research and the COVID-19 Era*, highlighted the uneven impact of COVID-19, and elaborated on the neighbourhood experiences from India, and Delhi in particular. To see the presentation, click [here](#).

SCBP Presents Uttarakhand Case Studies in FSM6

The Sanitation Capacity Building Platform (SCBP) at NIUA participated in the Sixth International Faecal Sludge Management Conference (FSM6) held from 31 May-4 June. Shantanu Kumar Padhi, Programme Officer, SCBP, talked about **Urban Faecal Sludge and Septage Management in Uttarakhand – A City Level Sanitation Study** in the conference. To see the presentation, click [here](#).



Uneven Impact of COVID-19: Neighbourhood Experiences from India

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