

National Urban Digital Mission to be Launched in Jharkhand



Jharkhand State Urban Development Authority Principal Secretary, Vinay Kumar Choubey (third from right); Ranchi Municipal Corporation Commissioner, Mukesh Kumar (second from right), and Jharkhand State Urban Development Authority Director, Amit Kumar with the NIUA team

A delegation from NIUA—Hitesh Vaidya, Kakul Mishra, Anirudh Gupta, and Manish Thakur—met the Secretary Urban and Housing Department, Vinay Kumar Choubey on 22 October to apprise him of the National Urban Digital Mission (NUDM). NUDM launched by MoHUA in February 2021, aims to build a shared digital infrastructure that will strengthen the capacity of the urban ecosystem at scale and speed. The Secretary informed that many services such as tax collection, cleanliness, trade licensing and approvals are available online in all urban local bodies in the state. He emphasised that there should also be a system for tracking solid waste management under National Urban Digital Mission. The NIUA delegation also visited the Command Control and Communication Centre of Ranchi Smart City and Ranchi Municipal Corporation. For more details on NUDM, click [here](#).

Upcoming Event

NIUA to Organise Webinar Series on Historic Urban Landscape: Opportunities, Challenges, and the Way Forward

NIUA in collaboration with United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO), the Metropolis, and the Centre for Heritage Conservation-CEPT Research and Development Foundation, Ahmedabad is organising a series of webinars from 10 to 18 November. The series is focused on the integration of urban heritage strategies in sustainable development. To learn more about the event, click [here](#).

Diwali Greetings from the Entire NIUA Team!



Projects Update

BASIC Lecture Series *Think Urban, Think Inclusive: Lecture 4*

Dr. Umamaheshwaran Rajasekar, Chair Urban Resilience– Global Resilience Cities Network, NIUA delivered a lecture on climate change risks and building better for persons with disabilities on 28 October under the eight-part lecture series launched by the Building Accessible, Safe and Inclusive Indian Cities (BASiIC) programme at NIUA. This was fourth lecture in the series. The purpose of the series is to engage with key sector experts, change makers, and leaders to focus on and collectively discuss ways and tools to improve lives of, and empower persons with disabilities, elderly and young children and their caregivers living in urban areas. To watch the complete video of the lecture, click [here](#).



Chair Urban Resilience, Umamaheshwaran Rajasekar

URGENT Organises a Lecture on Mainstreaming Climate Actions at Local Level

The Urban Resilience and Adaptation for India and Mongolia (URGENT) project at NIUA organised a lecture—*Mainstreaming Climate Actions at Local Level*—on 30 October. The deliberations in the lecture were focused on the relevance of urban resilience and local actions to address the impact of climate change on cities. The speakers— Director, Clean Air Asia, Prarthana Borah, and Director-Climate Resilience Practice, WRI, Nambi Appadurai discussed their views on climate change and related crises in India. For more details on the URGENT project, click [here](#).



Director, Clean Air Asia, Prarthana Borah



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