Study Tour / Peer Exchange

The UrbanShift Peer Exchange will focus on ‘Evidence-based sustainable and integrated urban planning & policy formulation’. UrbanShift peer exchange would provide a platform for UrbanShift cities to learn from the city of New Delhi on how it is leveraging the power of collaborations, data management and urban planning tools to enable sustainable growth in the city & make it more livable.

Background

The majority of cities in the Asia region lack the financial, political, and/or technical resources to adequately address urban growth pressures and multiple competing developmental priorities.

City governments usually develop plans and make decisions led by/through individual sectoral departments and their respective priorities. These departments usually do not communicate or coordinate with each other on investments, programs or plans, thus leading to lack of integrated urban planning.

Another major barrier for cities includes lack of supportive national frameworks. Conducive national frameworks (laws, plans and polices, etc.) can support local governments in adopting ambitious climate measures and sustainable development plans at city-wide scale.

Integrated urban planning approaches at neighborhood scale coupled with supportive policy framework can deliver compact, resource efficient cities that could see long-term public investments and private sector engagement. A study tour is being planned to showcase and provide first-hand experience of several initiatives taken by the city of New Delhi to address these urban growth barriers with support of national policies.

The half-day event, with its mixture of site visits, discussions, and presentations will provide a rich program for all UrbanShift participants to expand their knowledge on integrated urban planning and potentially forge connections with key stakeholders/partners.

What will UrbanShift cities learn during peer exchange / study tour

India Urban Observatory

India Urban Observatory (IUO) has been established in the Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs under the Smart Cities Mission (SCM). It acts as a data analysis and management hub. It brings together people and institutions to work collaboratively with a common vision to use data for empowering communities. IUO serves as a repository of insights derived from on-ground knowledge available in the urban ecosystem from fields vis. mobility, water, wastewater, sanitation, solid waste management, housing, environment, education and health.

The IUO platform helps to connect and manage data from multiple sources including individual city IoT data platforms, non-IoT data sources, social media, open data and other third-party sources. It correlates and analyzes data to extract key informational insights and use this intelligence for planning/decision making. It measures and tracks key operational and performance metrics and provides interactive engagement with citizens to make urban services more accessible.

Integrated Command and Control Centre (ICCC)
New Delhi Municipal Council (NDMC) has set up the Integrated Command and Control Centre (ICCC) for managing multiple services from a single location on a common platform under Smart City Mission. Over 21 NDMC services like solid waste management, street lighting, parking, sewage treatment plant etc. have been integrated on this platform.

**Master Plan of Delhi (MPD) -2041**

The Master Plan for Delhi is one of the key instruments that facilitates Delhi’s development by assessing the present condition and guiding how to achieve the desired development. The masterplan has integrated the aspects of climate change and green & blue infrastructure. The MPD-2014 also provides guidance on Spatial Development Framework like Transit-oriented Development (TOD).

**Interpretation & translation**

Given the variability of venue spaces, site visits and modes of transportation, Simultaneous interpretation service will be difficult. ICLEI staff (proficient in Bahasa Indonesia and Mandarin) will help the delegation, as and when needed.

**Proposed agenda for UrbanShift Forum Peer Exchange**

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