

**23<sup>rd</sup> April 2013**

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**10.15 am to 10.30 am**                      **Welcome Address by Chetan Vaidya, Director at School of Planning and Architecture (New Delhi)**

**10.30 am to 12.30 pm**                      **Session 1: Scale and substance of urbanization in India**

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Papers in this section contribute to better understand (i) the place of medium and small cities and towns in the urbanization process either at the national or at the regional scale, (ii) the explanatory factors behind the rise of new towns or the rapid growth of small and medium cities.

**Discussant: Amitabh Kundu (Centre for Regional Development, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi)**

**Spatial distribution of employment by sector in India**

S. Chandrasekhar and Ajay Sharma (Indira Gandhi Institute for Development Research, Mumbai)

**An aggregative approach to study the 2011 household distribution in the small and medium-sized cities in India**

Joan Perez, François Moriconi-Ebrard, Jean Grébert (Avignon University & Renault)

**Informal Settlements: Moving the Discourse Beyond Slums**

Amita Bhide and Smita Waingankar (Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai)

**What kind of Urban? A Case Study of Urban Expansion in Kullu, Himachal Pradesh since 2000**

Diya Mehra (South Asian University, New Delhi)

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**12.30 pm to 2 pm**                                      **Lunch**

**02.00 pm to 05.00 pm**                                      **Session 2A: Economic, Social and Spatial changes**

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Papers in this section expose the underlying interlinkages between economic, spatial and social changes that take place in small and medium towns. They depict how local political actors and interests collude, come into conflict, negotiate the terms of urban development and shape the direction of urban growth. This session is in TWO parts. The first half examines socio-economic changes and the actions of various entrenched social groups on the town and its economy.

**Discussant: Amita Baviskar (Institute of Economic Growth, New Delhi)**

**Temple trusts and development of localities in Tamil Nadu**

Pierre-Yves Trouillet (Centre for South Asian Studies, Paris)

**Studying a Medium Town Economy: Space, Caste, and Politics in the Powerloom Sector in Solapur**

Lalitha Kamath and Pranjal Dixit (Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai)

**On the charts, off the tracks: Disconnected development in Ambur town**

Karen Coelho and Vijaybhaskar M. (Madras Institute of Development Studies, Chennai)

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**03.15 pm to 03.30 pm**

**Tea break**

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**Work transformations in a leather clusters: Vellore district**

Kamala Marius-Gnanouand Venkatasubramanian (French Institute of Pondicherry, Pondicherry)

**Transformation of Small Towns in Tamil Nadu: Land – Economy Linkages**

Bhuvaneshwari Raman (Jindal School of Government and Public Policy, Haryana)

**07.30 pm to 10.30 pm**

**Dinner hosted by UIRF and SUBURBIN on the lawns of  
Centre de Sciences Humaines (2, Aurangzeb Road, New Delhi)**

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9.30 am to 11.30 am

Session 2 B: Economic, Social and Spatial Changes

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Papers in this section expose the economic, spatial and social changes that take place in small and medium towns. They depict how local political actors and interests collude, come into conflict, negotiate the terms of urban development and shape the direction of urban growth. This session is in TWO parts. The second half examines the characteristic patterns of spatial transformation that are brought about through the interaction of different actors, interests, policy decisions etc.

**Discussant: Anant Maringanti (Hyderabad Urban Laboratory, Hyderabad)**

**The politics of land use planning in Ratnagiri: Examining the relationship between spatial planning and political economy of a small town in Maharashtra and its implications for urban form and development**

Seema Kakade (Prayas Pune), Geetanjoy Sahu and Ratoola Kundu (Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai)

**Informality and Land Tenure: The Experience in Nagpur and Nanded**

Renu Desai and Kaushal Jajoo (Centre for Environmental Planning and Technology, Ahmedabad)

**One Design, Multiple Contexts: A comparative analysis of contextual factors affecting the conception and implementation of affordable housing schemes across big and smaller cities in Maharashtra**

Himanshu Burte and Simpreet Singh (Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai)

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11.30 am to 11.45 am

Tea break

11.45 am to 01.30 pm

Session 3: Governing medium and small towns:  
institutional changes, public policies and reforms

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Papers in this section analyse changes in major institutional and legislative structures, by investigating the reform agenda and the forces that have shaped it at the national, state and local levels, and the particular directions in which urban reforms seem to be aimed.

**Discussant: Partha Mukhopadhyay (Centre for Policy Research, New Delhi)**

**Politics of indigeneity, migration and urban citizenship in Pasighat**

Mythri Prasad (French Institute of Pondicherry, Pondicherry)

**What is happening in Census Towns of West Bengal? A Discussion**

Gopa Samantha (University of Burdwan, West Bengal, India)

**Urban environmental governance in Gujarat's and West Bengal's small cities – between reforms and 'triple challenge'**

Anna Zimmer, Natasha Cornea & René Véron(University of Lausanne, Switzerland)

**Subalternity and Everyday Life in Malegaon, Maharashtra**

Dr. Abdul Shaban (Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai)

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**01.30 pm to 02.30 pm**

**Lunch**

**02.30 pm to 04.30 pm**

**Panel Discussion**

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**Examining the role of small and medium towns and cities in India:**

**Provincial urbanization?**

**Panelists:**

- **Professor Hariharan Ramachandran**, Urban geographer and researcher with the ICSSR, former Professor at Delhi School of Economics, New Delhi, India
- **Dr. S.K. Kulshreshtha**, Urban planner and Visiting Faculty, School of Planning and Architecture, New Delhi, India
- **Sylvie Fanchette**, Researcher, IRD (Institut de recherche pour le développement), Paris

**Moderator:** Dr. N. Sridharan, HOD, Dept. of Regional Planning, SPA

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**04.30 pm to 04.45 pm**

**Vote of thanks and concluding remarks by Neelima Risbud, Dean of Studies at SPA, New Delhi**

**05.00 pm onwards**

**Departure of participants**

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