

URBAN RESEARCH FOUNDATION

Urban Research Foundation (URF) is a creative research based collaborative working in the domain of Urban Planning and Design and based in Aurangabad, Maharashtra. URF is striving to bring the aspect of innovative participatory planning practices to the upcoming Tier-II and Tier-III cities of India. We envisage a sustainable urban development that is citizen centric in its approach and participatory in its nature. Our vision is to enable Tier-II and Tier-III cities of India in becoming livable, inclusive and vibrant urban centers that provide socio-cultural opportunities to its citizens. We also aim to steer these cities into alternative economic engines that can share the urban pressure of Tier-I cities.











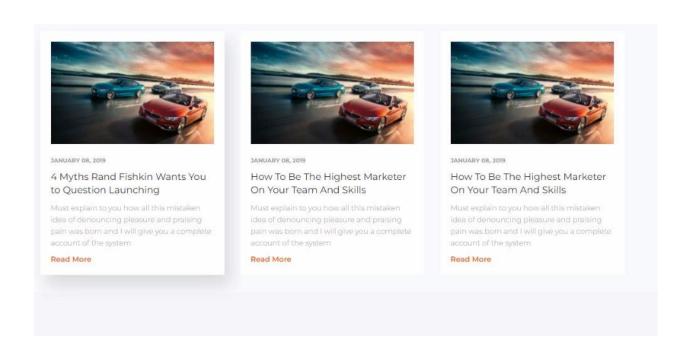






OUR PROJECTS

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1. Streets4People Aurangabad

As the winners of S4P design competition conducted by ASCDCL along with MoHUA and ITDP, URF has been appointed to redevelop the city's most popular place, Cannaught Garden Area. Our design focuses on redistributing the road space, rerouting traffic, reclaiming lost public spaces, integrating the central park with the commercial street. More details about the design can be accessed on the link below:

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2. Parking Policy

Aurangabad Municipal Corporation and ASCDCL have undertaken the task of formulating a city level Parking Policy. Urban Research Foundation as a consultant has been appointed as a consultant to study the current parking situation in the city and formulate a City Parking Policy. URF is working in conjunction with Mumbai based MESN for the Policy. The project involved in-depth study and analysis of parking situation in the city with a special focus on 5 pilot sites where the Parking Issue is evidently grave. These pilot sites include Cannaught Area, TV Centre, Pundlik Nagar, Nirala Bazaar and Usmanpura area.

3. Street Vending Policy

Street vendors form an integral part of streets in Indian Streets. The Street Vending Act, 2014 aims to protect the rights of urban street vendors and regulate street vending activities. Aurangabad Municipal Corporation has undertaken the task of formulating the city specific hawkers' policy to assist the city administration to manage and regulate the hawkers in the city. The city specific Hawkers Policy is built upon the Street Vending Act, 2014. Urban Research Foundation alongside IGSSS has been appointed as consultants for the same.

4. Healthy Streets Policy

With an aim to help the city adopt a long term sustainable approach to building city roads, ASCDCL has appointed Urban Research Foundation to draft a Healthy Streets Policy as per the guidance from ITDP and MoHUA. URF is currently working on data collection and analysis to put forth a policy that best suits the city's context.

5. Get Going Flyover Park

Get Going is an NGO working in the field of Health and Fitness for women. With a common vision of creating gender sensitive public spaces in the city, URF has collaborated with Get Going to develop this space as a health and fitness park with a focus on women and child rights advocacy. The space is being designed with the principles of re-use and recycles. The design also prioritizes the needs of women, children and senior citizens while using a public space.

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