## MAKING INDIA A PROWESS OF SMART CITIES-STRATEGIES, INITIATIVES, & APPROACHES A NATIONAL SEMINAR

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A smart city is one where investments in human/ social capital, and traditional (transport)/ modern (ICT) communication infrastructure fuel sustainable economic development and a high quality of life, with a



wise management of natural resources, through participatory action and engagement – essentially meaning efficiency based on intelligent management and integrated ICTs, and active citizen participation. Smart cities can be identified (and ranked) along six main axes or dimensions - regional competitiveness, transport and ICT economics, natural resources, human and social capital, quality

of life, and participation of citizens in the governance of cities.

While on the flip side developed countries, like the USA, Canada, and the EU nations have achieved urban growth the smart way, on the flop side extensive use of ICT is increasing the divide between the developed and the developing nations. This calls for a careful debate and a follow-through action plan from the latter.



While China has made amends and galloping towards smart city culture, India has just begun taking concrete action in this direction. However, the recent announcement of the Gol in identifying and developing Smart Cities is a welcome move.

Though, in India urbanization is fast paced with 590 million people expected to be living in cities by 2030, the quality of life in cities is getting eroded day by day. Pollution – air, water, noise, and visual – has been increasing at mind-boggling levels. Unmanageable pressure on accommodation, poor infrastructure, lack of basic amenities, absence of hygiene, safety and security issues need to be addressed on priority. A near total solution to these problems is to go "the smart way."

The conference aims to address these issues to find sustainable, workable, and economical solutions to the challenges that have retarded our cities becoming "smart." The purpose is to optimally use the available technology, customize it for Indian situation so that scalable and cost-effective solutions are found to achieve a networked society where everything is available to everybody.



Smart cities are not just smart in providing services but the very basics of planning, designing and construction should also conform to the standards....

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- SKILL ENHANCEMENT AND SKILL EDUCATION SERVICES FOR SMART CITIES.
- SMART TRANSPORTATION AND TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT.
- SAFE AND GREEN SMART CITIES.
- ICT FOR SMART CITIES.
- SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT STRATEGIES FOR SMART CITIES.
- INTEGRATED HEALTH CARE MANAGEMENT.
- REQUIREMENTS OF HOSPITALITY INDUSTRY.
- LAW & ORDER ENFORCEMENT IN SMART CITIES.

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