

Vacancy Announcement

ORGANIZATION	National Institute of Urban Affairs (NIUA)
FUNCTIONAL TITLE	Senior Urban Planner
PROJECT	Spatial Development Planning Projects
DUTY STATION:	New Delhi, India
DURATION	One Year (Renewable)
TYPE OF CONTRACT	Fixed Term Contract
NUMBER OF POSITIONS	03

About the National Institute of Urban Affairs (NIUA)

The National Institute of Urban Affairs is an autonomous body under the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs. It is a premier institute dedicated to advancing research, capacity building and knowledge dissemination in the urban sector.

Its mission is to promote pioneering research and expertise to advance integrated urban solutions and build a robust discourse on emergent urban issues. It is achieved through training and capacity development initiatives, collaborating closely with state governments and urban local bodies.

Job Description

I. Project Overview:

We are seeking a highly experienced **Senior Urban Planner** to serve as the technical specialist for integrated land-use and spatial development planning projects. The position seeks expertise in assessing urban growth demands, integrating all sectoral plans, and setting trade-offs between sectoral demands through a rigorous technical and stakeholder consultation process to evolve an urban plan for the city region. With a minimum of 15 years of professional experience in urban and regional planning, the candidate will play a pivotal role in shaping the long-term spatial, economic, and environmental development of the metropolitan region, with outputs in the form of an integrated spatial development plan and recommendations for development control regulations.

II. Key Responsibilities

- **Planning and Technical Integration**

- Formulation of spatial development strategies, integrating sectoral plans (housing, industry, commerce, institutions, transport, tourism, environment, social, and financial)
- Translate strategic vision into land use plans, sectoral spatial plans and integrated urban plans, along with development control regulations
- Conduct spatial analysis, GIS mapping, and scenario modelling to support evidence-based decision making
- Ensure alignment of sectoral proposals with regional growth trends, NCR policies, and state strategic planning frameworks
- Prepare stakeholder analysis and relationship matrix and discuss with the team to enhance the stakeholder coordination with necessary recommendations
- Work in close tandem with the relevant department

- **Project Coordination**

- Work closely with infrastructure, transport, environment, and economic experts to synthesise sectoral inputs into a cohesive plan
- Coordinate and design required surveys, data collection, and demand assessments to ensure accuracy and reliability
- Coordinate with stakeholder and partner offices for regular project operations

- **Stakeholder Engagement**

- Coordination and consultation with stakeholders and partners to gather data and information related to the project
- Moderate smaller working group meetings and brainstorming sessions on arriving at planning decisions
- Support in multi-stakeholder consultations, capturing citizen aspirations, market trends, and institutional perspectives
- Document stakeholder feedback and integrate it into plan revisions
- Assist in preparing presentations, maps, and visualisations for workshops and forums

- **Documentation & Reporting**

- Prepare detailed planning documents, sectoral integration notes, and plan chapters.
- Support in preparing progress reports, project updates, and presentations for partners and government agencies.
- Prepare technical notes for internal and external review
- Maintain project records and ensure knowledge management for future reference

III. Qualifications & Experience

- Master's degree in Urban Planning, Regional Planning, or related discipline.
- At least 15 years of professional experience in urban and regional planning.
- Proven expertise in land use planning, zoning, GIS analysis, and statutory plan preparation.
- Experience in integrating sectoral plans (housing, transport, infrastructure, environment, economy).
- Strong knowledge of Indian planning laws, regional Plan frameworks, and municipal governance structures.

IV. Skills & Competencies

- Proficiency in GIS, spatial analysis, and urban modelling tools.
- Strong analytical and problem-solving skills.
- Ability to work collaboratively in multidisciplinary teams.
- Excellent communication and technical documentation skills.
- Commitment to sustainable, inclusive, and implementable planning solutions.

V. Application process

- The application to be submitted on <https://jobs.niua.in/> portal
- The application should include a detailed CV and a covering letter that cites the current position and remuneration, and expresses suitability for the position applied for.
- Only shortlisted candidates will be invited for interview.

VI. Location of position

- Based at the office of the NIUA, Core 4B, India Habitat Centre, Lodhi Road, New Delhi, with travel as and when required.

VII. Last Date to Apply: Applications will be accepted until April 30, 2026