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The book engages with the current concerns of providing high-density housing keeping in mind the need to include the marginalized, maximize mass transport facilities, introduce mixed-use development, and address issues of equity and cost-subsidies. In other words; create strategies to house an optimum number, achieve a net-zero system, reduce need for travel and above all provide for a quality of life that nurtures the best in humanity.



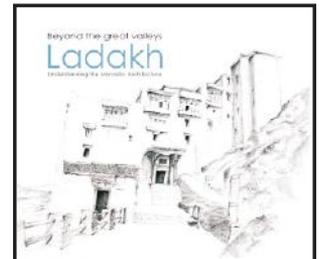
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Understanding the Monastic Architecture

Bharati Vidyapeeth, Navi Mumbai

If Himalayas are the landscape of the mind, Ladakh defines it as a landscape. The book discusses the architectural aspects of the Buddhist monasteries in Ladakh. The architecture is perplexing at times, not only because of the terrain it is built on, low rooms, or small openings; but it is different also in the way we perceive it from our sense. The texture of earth on walls, the stone-clad pathways, timber roofs and mud floors transports us to hundreds of years.



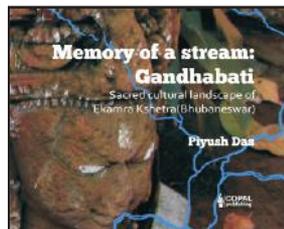
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Sacred cultural landscape of Ekamra Kshetra

**Summary** Piyush Das

At the request of Himalaya, Ganga decided to flow in certain parts of Ekamra Kshetra (Bhubaneswar). By constantly carrying the fragrance of many scented flowers, the river is called as Gandhabati. Gandhabati, now a days called as *gandhua nala* (a drain which stinks) has immense religious, ecological significance. This book is an attempt to map and document various tangible and intangible heritage resources associated to Gandhabati. In the process the sacred cultural landscape of Ekamra Kshetra is understood.



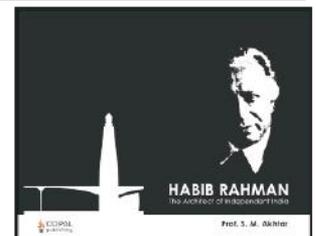
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### Habib Rahman

The Architect of Independent India  
Dr SM Akhtar

Dean at Jamia Millia, New Delhi

The book is a monograph of the projects, philosophy and life of Architect Habib Rahman. He was among the first architects to work in the independent India. Apart from designing landmark buildings, he is attributed to formulate the architectural vocabulary representing the secular and socialist ethos of the emerging nation. The book also gives a commentary on the architectural transition in the post-independence scenario.



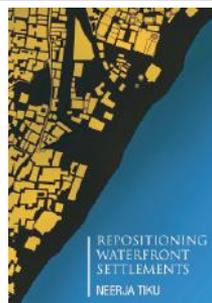
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Neerja Tiku  
HOD and Professor, Department of Industrial Design, SPA Delhi

**Summary**

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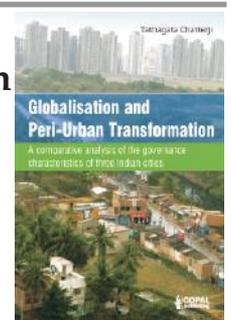
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Professor at XLRI University, Odisha

**Summary**

Conversion of agricultural lands has become controversial over livelihood vulnerabilities of the rural communities. Regional- and state-level political actors have a crucial arbitrating role at this point of interface between the local and global forces. Through comparative analysis of Bangalore, Kolkata and Gurgaon, this book explores how variations in urban planning and governance cultures had shaped-up developmental pathways of these cities.



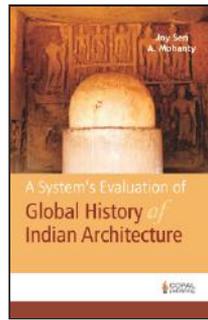
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Dr Joy Sen  
Professor, IIT Kharagpur

### Summary

The book proposes a system's evaluation of global history of Indian Architecture. A System's Approach is an approach of understanding how things or events influence one another within a sequence of events, which constitutes a whole. Recently, the entire scientific world – from social sciences to basic quantum and relativistic physics, from ecology to trans-personal psychology – is being revolutionized by this new approach. Architecture is a science of built environment, and the evolution of architectural systems likewise is an outcome of human–nature or behaviour–environment correlations, and often, these correlations are reciprocal, cyclic and complex.



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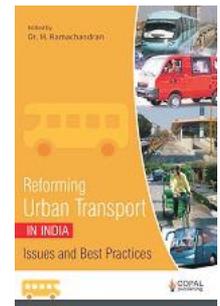
## Reforming Urban Transport in India

Issues and Best Practices

Edited by Dr. M. Ramachandran  
Former Urban Secretary, Govt. of India

### Summary

*Reforming Urban Transport in India* is an attempt to take stock of the various issues our cities and towns are facing in the area of urban transport, efforts made and being made both at the policy level as well as the field level to address the problems, the ever increasing complexities of challenges in the area of urban mobility and some of the laudable initiatives on the ground to handle the problems. The wealth of knowledge of the contributors, each one of them having huge experience behind them in this sector, makes the book a valuable addition to the literature and a helpful guide in policy discussions.



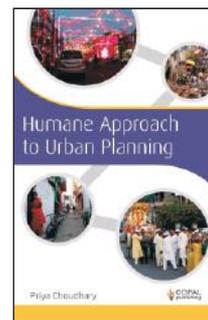
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## Humane Approach to Urban Planning

Dr Priya Choudhary  
Associate Professor, Manoramabai Mundle  
College of Architecture, Nagpur

### Summary

The urban planning approach in India followed mostly ignores the cultural peculiarities, habits, preferences of Indian users. The work done in building good cities under city planning is no way to be discredited or discounted for its effectiveness. However, it may be useful to move ahead and incorporate culture-specific user aspects and evolve a humane approach to urban planning in India. The book is an effort to evolve and present such a humane approach. The aim of the book is to understand the interrelationship between spatial configuration and spatial cognition in Indian context; so as to evolve framework for humane approach to deal evolving built environments in urban India.



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## Smart Urban and Rural Planning Techniques

Harmit Singh Bedi

Urban Planner and Designer

### Summary

The book is designed to guide to build smart, sustainable, harmonious, and futuristic communities with smart, innovative, and creative tools such as sustainability, context sensitive design, form-based codes, mixed-use and life-style developments, charrettes, creative design options for Indian urban and rural areas. Furthermore, this book explains theory and practice of many elements and facets of urban and rural planning ranging from need of planning, planner's identity, zoning, land use planning, transportation, urban design, landscaping, environment, and historic preservation. This book is a concise document to understand built environment and human activities and provide smart, practical and functional planning solutions.



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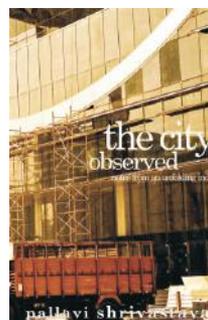
Notes from an unfolding India

Pallavi Shrivastava

Architect and Writer/Critic

### Summary

*The City Observed* by Pallavi Shrivastava reads like dispatches from a battlefield by a seasoned war correspondent. Each chapter is a stimulating vignette of some memorable place, or recently contrived artifact, through which Pallavi unravels counter intuitive conclusions. Pallavi has two eyes and many voices. Those two eyes see things often unnoticed, bringing into focus a collage of real life issues and human circumstances. She has an uncanny ability to conceive of the metropolis as an everyday person would, yet to catalyze unique understandings and conclusions from her choreographies!



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## Fixing Flawed Urban Planning

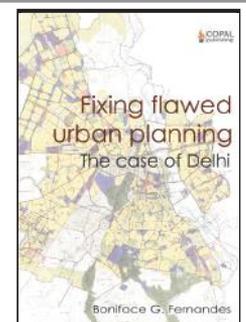
The Case of Delhi

Boniface G. Fernandes

Former Chief Planner, Govt. of India

### Summary

This book is about establishing what has gone wrong with urban planning in Delhi, and of fixing flawed urban planning in operation. In this context, it is pertinent to have an understanding of the metropolis of Delhi, as much as the urban planning process. The book describes the metropolis through its morphology, its socioeconomic profile, the way rich and the poor live, its built environment, mode of travel, and the administrative aspects of urban planning. This book is not only for town planners but also for the citizens of Delhi, with the intention of making them more aware and enlightened about urban planning and urban governance.



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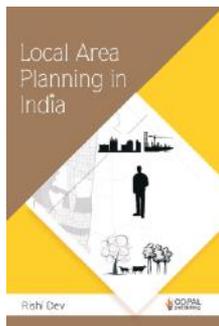
## Local Area Planning in India

Rishi Dev

Senior architect and ekistician

### Summary

The book provides a "comprehensive methodology" toward preparation of Local Area Plans (LAPs) in the Indian context. The planning approach in LAP is opposed to the conventional master planning method. The conventional top-to-bottom approach followed in planning is unrealistic in nature as it does not respond to the ground realities of spatial, economic, socio cultural, environmental and other layers of planning. On the other hand, a Local Area Plan not only responds to the context but also involves the local people in the planning process, including its timely and lawful implementation and execution.



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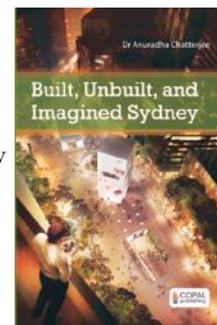
## Built, Unbuilt and Imagined Sydney

Dr Anuradha Chatterjee

Professor at Pearl Academy of Design, New Delhi

### Summary

The book presents the expanded field of architecture. It aims to show that the practice of architecture exceeds the work legally defensible under the title of the architect. Besides the design and construction of buildings, the disciplinary field of architecture consists of exhibition and display; discussions and lectures; competitions and visions of new public domains; interactions between art and architecture in the form of installations, performances, and public art; and ideas on new directions for the practice of architecture. The book, therefore, places emphasis on practice as an intellectual activity.



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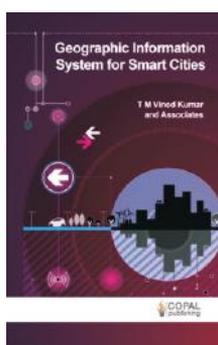
## Geographic Information System for Smart Cities

Edited by Prof TM Vinod Kumar

Urban and Regional Planning Consultant

### Summary

*Geographic Information System for Smart Cities* is the first book that advocates smart cities can be planned, managed and developed using GIS. The book is a combined effort of 23 international experts, where they explore the possibility of developing smart cities from experiences of many countries. The book gives prime responsibility of city being self-aware to geographic information system and its future development. In order to explain how GIS system performs, GIS experience from South America, Dubai and New Bombay is shared by GIS experts who have designed and maintained it for several years. Mumbai experience is more than 10 years old. The emphasis is on practical issues.



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## Designing Better Architecture Education

Dr Manjari Chakraborty

Professor, BIT Ranchi

### Summary

The book is the outcome of a research conducted systematically with diligence, passion, wide and in-depth exercise on the obvious and latent aspects of Architecture Education. Although specific to India, the study probes the diverse global scenario in acknowledgement of the Global Style of Architecture, where Green Preferences surface as compulsion. The findings are arranged systematically, analyzed impartially and inferred upon logically. The final bunch of suggestions aimed at a much desirable Architecture Education revamp in India is, in fact, relevant for Architecture Education as a whole anywhere.



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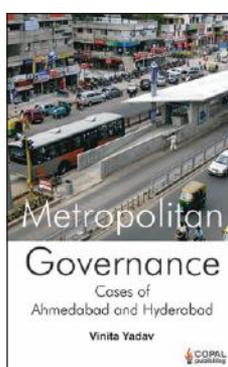
## Metropolitan Governance Cases of Ahmedabad and Hyderabad

Dr Vinita Yadav

HOD and Assoc. Professor at Department of Regional Planning, SPA, New Delhi

### Summary

*Metropolitan Governance* is an indispensable book for understanding the governance of metropolitan cities. The book focuses on the urban governance in the context of pre- and post 74th Constitutional Amendment Act in the state of Gujarat and Andhra Pradesh. The level of decentralized governance is being studied with the transfer of functional and financial powers to the municipal corporations of Ahmedabad and Hyderabad. By selecting two case studies from differing locations, an attempt has been made to see how the decentralised model of urban governance gets translated on ground in different contexts and what kind of commonalities as well as particularities emerge.



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## India's Urban Confusion Challenges and Strategies

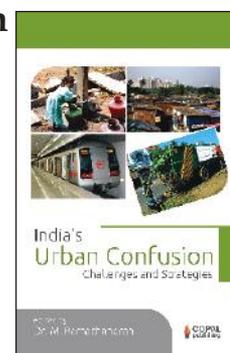
Dr M. Ramachandran

Former Secretary to Govt. of India,

Ministry of Urban Development

### Summary

With the number of cities and towns going up to about 8,000 now and both the Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission and the 12th Five year Plan document focussing on India's urban rejuvenation, there is a considerable interest among a cross section of society on understanding the complexities of urban India and the way forward. The book discusses these complexities and explains the possible strategies for their solution. Prominent urban thinkers of India have come together to discuss key urban issues of India in this book. The book includes chapters on urban planning, water, solid waste management, transport, finances, slums, PPPs, and governance.



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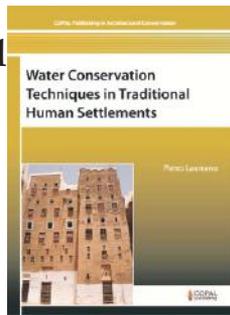
## Water Conservation Techniques in Traditional Human Settlements

Pietro Laureano  
UNESCO consultant

### Summary

In this beautifully illustrated work, Pietro Laureano shares with us the fruits of more than a quarter of a century of careful observation of traditional knowledge and techniques applied to urban settlements and landscape resources management in all regions of the world.

The book introduces us to very sophisticated, thousand-year-old, capacities developed by local communities and civilizations around the world, amongst which water harvesting techniques, recycling of organic wastes and used waters for soil fertility conservation or, in more general terms, the ecosystemic approach to town planning, are anything but new!



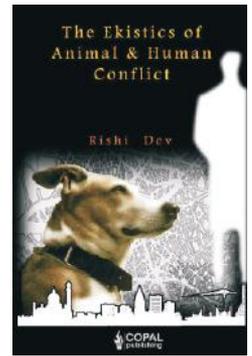
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## The Ekistics of Animal and Human Conflict

Rishi Dev  
Senior architect and  
ekistician (Gold Medalist)

### Summary

Urban wildlife management is a town planning subject. This book investigates the niches of one of the key urban animals from a syntactic, semantic and pragmatic perspective and explores how these niches are naturally synonymous to similar patterns, structures and compositions within human settlements. It explores and defines the demographic patterns, thresholds and phenomenon, which leads to formation of the different levels and extremes of interaction between the species.



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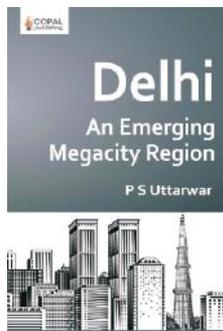
## Delhi: An Emerging Megacity Region

P S Uttarwar  
Former Director (Planning) at DDA

### Summary

Delhi is a fast growing megalopolis, which also contributes to the growth of the National Capital Region (NCR). The urban planning approach has gone through quite some change in India.

The book is a testimony to the changes that have taken place in the last two decades in our approach in making a Master Plan. This book is organized into three sections. The first section is 'Contemporary Planning' which consists of chapters based on policies and strategies adopted in the Master Plan to deal with current socio-political issues. The second section deals with planning practices suitable to our conditions. The third section discusses planning techniques like Remote Sensing and GIS, available to planners for monitoring and mapping urban sprawl.



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## The Tirtha at Mukteshwara

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Deptt of Architecture at SPA Delhi

### Summary

This book documents and analyzes the exquisite temple of Mukteshwara at Bhubaneswar. The deul at Mukteshwara, built during 11th century CE by Somavamshi Dynasty, is an important landmark in Odian temple architecture. At Mukteshwar was realized the fully evolved garbhagriha-mandap form setting benchmarks for design of various architectural elements, their composition in elevation and spatial layout. Using documentation of drawings, graphics and photographs made by students of architecture, the temple is analyzed from various perspectives such as symbolism, geometry, construction and material technology and climate and environment.



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