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Prof. Dr. D. S. Meshram delivering the inaugural address

### NORTH ZONE CONFERENCE: HUMAN SETTLEMENTS AND PLANNING EDUCATION

Uttarakhand Regional Chapter, ITPI organized the North Zone conference on 24 March 2018 at Department of Architecture and Planning, Indian Institute of Technology, Roorkee.

In his inaugural address Prof. Dr. D. S. Meshram, President Emeritus, ITPI traced history of planning of settlements in India. He noted that planning of human settlements is not new to India because Mohenjo-Daro and Harappa were planned in a scientific manner with well-laid out sanitation systems, drains, footpaths and roads. However, the legacy of preparation of development plans or master plans started during the British rule. The Third Five Year Plan has in fact gave the impetus to the preparation of development plans or master plans during which 100 per cent central assistance was provided for the preparation of master plans for the fast growing towns. At present as per the estimates of the Town and Country Planning Organization 2,229 number of development plans

has already been prepared, while for 402 towns development plans are being prepared. However, as per 2011 Census there are 7,933 towns and urban agglomerations. Thus, hardly one third of towns have some kind of spatial framework available, which is not at all encouraging because in the absence of the development plans, growth of towns is taking place in a haphazard manner. We can notice the incidence of slums, blight, unauthorised construction, and encroachments in almost all towns, which can even be noticed in towns where development plans, are available that too for the second and third time. This happens due to lack of the political will and administrative acumen for implementation of development plans.

With reference to planning education, Prof. Dr. D. S. Meshram mentioned that Institute of Town Planners, India continues to remain instrumental in taking initiatives for starting new planning courses and schools in the country since 1951,

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the year of ITPI's inception. The first such school of architecture and planning started in 1952 in Delhi followed by establishment of the Department of City and Regional Planning at IIT Kharagpur. At present there are 26 planning institutions imparting town and country planning education, which are recognised by the ITPI. He also mentioned that the ITPI has played substantial role in initiating Bachelor of Planning course for promoting an independent discipline of urban and regional planning in India. It is essential to start undergraduate level planning courses if a discipline has to take deep roots.

Prof. Dr. D. S. Meshram, while concluding his address, also highlighted that the requirement of planners by 2031 has been estimated by the Expert Committee set up by the Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India in the year 2012. As per the estimates the requirement of planners will be 1,60,000 in 2031, which calls for establishing new School of Planning in public and private domain. In addition to the existing institutions imparting town planning education only at postgraduate level, government also needs to explore the possibility of starting Integrated Planning courses leading to post graduation degree at the end of the five year duration.

Shri Shyam Das Saini, Vice President, ITPI and former Chief Town Planner, Haryana gave an overview of planning of settlements invogue in Haryana along with planning education. Prof. Dr. Najamuddin, Secretary General, ITPI,former Professor in IIT Roorkee mentioned that town and country planning education was started in IIT Roorkee quite long back, and the ITPI recognized the course in the year 1973. Since then it is imparting town planning course at postgraduate level and called on the authorities to start a bachelor level planning course in IIT Roorkee.

After the Inaugural Session, the presentations were made by Prof. P. S. Chani, Head, Architecture and Planning Department, IIT Roorkee; Prof. Dr. Devadas; Prof. Dr. M. Parida and others.

The welcome address was delivered by Prof. Rajesh Chandra, Chairman, Uttarakhand Regional Chapter and a vote of thanks was extended by Prof. Dr. Ashok Kumar, Uttarakhand Regional Chapter.



North Zone Conference is in progress

Till 1987 town planning education in India was imparted at postgraduate level only. Accordingly, the then Ministry of Education, Government of India, introduced the Bachelor of Planning course at the School of Planning and Architecture, New Delhi in 1988, which was the first school to start an undergraduate planning programme. This was followed by Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar. At present there are seven institutions imparting undergraduate planning courses in India.

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# PRAKRITI, 2018

#### PLANNERS AT HELM

#### **Sridharan Namperumal**

Prof. Dr. N. Sridharan has been appointed as the Director of the School of Planning and Architecture, Bhopal for five years from 24 July 2017. He is also the Chairman of the Educational Standing Committee, the professional body of the Institute of Town Planners India and one of the Vice-Presidents of Regional Science Association, India. Earlier, he was the Director of School of Planning and Architecture, Vijayawada. Originally he works with the School of Planning and Architecture New Delhi as a Professor.

Prof. Dr. Sridharan has more than 35 years of experience in the field of urban and regional planning.

He holds postgraduate degrees in Economics, Urban and Regional Planning, Town and Country Planning (Poland) and Financial Management in addition to a doctoral degree from the RMIT, Australia in the field of planning. He has published widely in national and international journals in the fields of urban governance and finance, peri-urban development, rural development and spatial data infrastructure. His areas of interest include urban governance and finance, peri-urban development, rurban cluster planning, corridor development and urbanisation, urban land markets, poverty and sustainability and, spatial data infrastructure. He has been nominated and appointed in the various central and state government committees.

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some to them has even transformed into five star resorts. In this regard he also quoted the example of Chandigarh, which was supposed to be surrounded by a green belt and safeguarded by the Peripheral Control Act. But today it is totally transformed into planned townships like Chandimandir, Mohali, and Panchkula and also in haphazard manner in the form of Zirakpur. Similarly villages outside the urbanizable limit, but are part of the region also coming within the influence zone of city and get transformed, showing certain characteristic of urban areas. However, these villages are not totally transformed into urban.

Prof. Dr. D. S. Meshram, brought into focus the provision 2430(a) of the 74th Constitution Amendment Act, 1993, which clearly mentions that such area.a Nagar Panchavat (by whatever name called) for a transitional area, that is to say, an area in transition from rural to an urban area. Thus, the rural areas in the region specifically those areas which are beyond the urbanizable limits of a town are getting transformed resembling certain characteristic of urban areas. He also mentioned that Metropolitan Planning Committees (MPCs) and District Planning Committees (DPCs) are mandatory to be constituted under 74th CAA to prepare draft plans for metropolitan regions and district as a whole by taking into consideration not only municipalities but also Panchayats. If draft district plans are prepared under the 74th CAA for all the districts of the country, it would emerge in a spatial framework not only for towns and regions or states but also for the whole country.

In this reference Prof. Dr. D. S. Meshram also underlined the concept pioneered by the former President Dr. A. P. J. Abdul Kalam, who emphasised provision of urban infrastructure and services in rural areas in order to create economic opportunities outside cities i.e. physical connectivity by providing roads; electronic connectivity by providing communication network; and knowledge connectivity by establishing professional and technical institutions in an integrated manner so as to create economic connectivity. This concept no doubt could have transformed villages and ultimately whole regions, had it been implemented successfully.

Concluding his address Prof. Dr. D. S. Meshram called on the budding planners' community to participate in all such events organized by the NOSPlan so that all planning schools can come on one platform, not only to share their views but also listen to the views of fellow student members from other planning institutions. In addition the student community could also benefit from the knowledge of experts, professionals, and teachers. Such an inter-school participation will definitely benefit to the students community. He further mentioned that Institute of Town Planners, India will support such activities for the benefit of students.

On this occasion Prof. Ashok Mittal, Chancellor, LPU felicitated Prof. Dr. D. S. Meshram by offering him memento and shawl. After the inaugural session the regular activities as planned by the organisers were taken up.



Prof. Dr. N. Sridharan, Director, SPA Bhopal

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#### PRAKRITI, 2018

Lovely School of Architecture, Planning and Design in collaboration with Nationals Organization of Students of Planning (NOSPlan) organized PRAKRiTi – 2018 on 14 April 2018 at Lovely Professional University, Phagwara, Punjab.

While inaugurating the event Prof. Dr. D. S. Meshram, President, Institute of Town Planners, India expressed his satisfaction in seeing the NOSPlan's involvement in this event, NOSPlan was established

by the ITPI in early 1980s, and see it grow is a matter of pride for the Institute. He was also happy to note that NOSPlan is collaborating with Lovely Professional University in organizing PRAKRiTi, and for arranging 'Talent Fest', which includes (i) Poster making for 'Better Tomorrow' in which participants need to design a poster digitally or manually on the theme of 'Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) in India (ii) 'Time to Plan' Best Thesis Synopsis (iii) 'Sustainable Practices-A way to go ahead', which calls for presentations prepared on sustainable practices. All this is quite encouraging, he added.

On the theme "Urban and Regional Transformation", Prof. Dr. D. S. Meshram, mentioned that as exodus of masses is migrating to towns and cities, large farmland, agricultural land and villages, which were / are situated on the border / fringe of the built up areas of cities are developing haphazardly with unauthorised construction / development resulting in the form of slums and blights, to house this increased population. Accordingly, the land use which was agriculture / green belt is getting transformed into non-agriculture use. In this process the villages inside the urbanizable limit of the town get surrounded by the unauthorised built up areas and remains as villages within the urban areas, which are called as 'urban villages'. However, in fact urban village is a rural community within built up areas, which transform into quasi urban settlement because of rapid urbanization and industrialization; which ultimately get converted into a residential cluster and home for many incompatible land uses.

However, there is no denying the fact that in recent time most of the villages are losing their traditional rural character due to influence of large towns and cities in the vicinity. To make his point clear Prof. Dr. D. S. Meshram quoted the example of urban villages in Delhi and stated that from any angle these urban villages of Delhi do not resemble rural villages in the true sense. This phenomena also holds good for farm houses existing in green belt of Delhi, which do not have farming activity like farm produce, farm equipment but are totally transformed into lavish bungalows with all modern amenities and

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Prof. Dr. D. S. Meshram, Lighting the ceremonial lamp



Prof. Ashok Mittal, Chancellor, LPU felicitating Prof. Dr. D. S. Meshram

