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## Call for Papers

### Indian City in Question: Urbanism Vs Urbanization

Since its independence, India's urban development model was focused on urbanization. Urban growth was considered as very generic and evident in nature. Most of the city models were based on conventional idea of expansion. These models generated two distinct cities - a periphery and a historic core. The first one created a devalued landscape, sparse and fragmented development which then resulted in exclusionary urbanization on peripheries and city edges and the second one continued to get gentrified both culturally and economically with a degenerated built environment. It is in this gap that new India's urban identities were trapped. In last 70 years these gaps were filled by political projects through many ideologies, utopias and urban visions. JNNURM was the first large scale urban scheme followed by many other flagship programmes.

Continuing with the precedence, in 2014, Government of India announced an ambitious flagship programme for urban development under the name of "Smart Cities Mission". The 100 smart cities to be developed under this mission promised an ensemble of great urban utopias. Apart from this, in recent times, India's urban scene saw many schemes initiated for historic, religious, touristic urban cores and areas.

With such emergence of network urbanism and splintering cities, the focus has now shifted from 'urbanization' to 'urbanism'. In this context, Smart City Mission aims to induce not merely an urban development vision but also an embedded ideological and technocratic coding. The resultant urban identity from such projects is being continuously contested and debated. With these unevenly stretched network of new urbanities, the question is what will happen to the collective urban identity?

Indian Journal of Urban Design for its inaugural issue is inviting papers on emerging discourse of such contexts where the discipline and profession of urban design in India is expected to define how we imagine the collective future of our cities.

The topics may revolve around the main theme of the inaugural issue with following broad areas:

- Urban Aesthetics
- Urban Morphology
- Urban History
- Preservation, Conservation, Regeneration
- Local and Regional identity
- Sustainable Development
- Design Control, Property Development, Practice, Implementation
- Urban Environment and Ecology
- Theories of urban architecture and urbanism

#### Article Length

4,000-5,000 words

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