

The Urban Conundrum

Ensuring Sustainability in the face of growing Urbanisation

5 to 7: 30 pm, May 10, Auditorium, Artemis Hospital, Sector 51, Gurgaon

Agenda

- Rapid urbanisation in Gurgaon is no longer allowing its citizens to lead a quality life. Infrastructural bottlenecks, sanitation issues and fast depletion of crucial resources such as water and green areas are serious threats to the city today.
- With arterial roads continuously choked with traffic and huge dependency on diesel gensets, the air quality is deteriorating. Besides, the ground water is getting polluted due to leaching by looming piles of garbage on the landfill sites and poor sewerage system. The Aravallis is also under threat of being opened to construction activity. All this is leading to health issues including air-borne infections, respiratory ailments, skin diseases and cancer.
- There is no option but to make sustainability the central mantra for all future development. This means reworking the city's Master Plans, conserving its vital resources and preserving the Green Belt. This also means developing decentralised waste management systems, reliable public transport system, encouraging non-motorised transport, and renewable energy sources like Solar Energy.
- The onus on adopting sustainability is on all stakeholders of the city. The authorities need to control mindless development and push for projects that help conserve resources. The RWAs need to encourage communities to develop local sustainable solutions for electricity, waste and transport. At an individual level, we can do our bit by conserving water and electricity, segregating and treating waste, installing solar/led lights and switching to non-motorised transport.



The workshop will address questions such as:

- How is reckless development impacting Gurgaon and its citizens?
- How do we make sustainability an integral part of Gurgaon's planning and development? What should be the short term, medium term and long term sustainability goals for the city?
- What are some of the city initiatives that can be taken in the areas of transport, waste, electricity and water management?
- Individually, how can we adopt sustainability as a way of life?

Sessions and Participants

Dr Praveen Kumar, Commissioner, Municipal Commissioner of Gurgaon will deliver the key note address. The workshop will have two Sessions **A) Gurgaon's Conundrum: Civic and Infrastructure Challenges** **B) Options and Solutions for a Sustainable Future**. It will conclude with High Tea. The workshop will have participation from Gurgaon authorities including HUDA, MCG; Corporates, Citizen Groups, RWAs, Citizen Volunteers, and the Media.

To confirm your participation in the workshop, kindly send us a mail on teamgurgaonfirst@gmail.com
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