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India signs a \$181 million loan with the ADB to improve urban infrastructure

14 Mar, 2024

The latest development is aimed at improving infrastructure and services in the peri-urban areas of Ahmedabad.

The initiative aims to enhance physical and social infrastructure and foster economic vibrancy. Central to the project's objective is the upliftment of marginalized communities, including urban poor, women, and migrant workers.

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BBMP calls for citizen participation for lake management

2 Mar, 2024

The Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) has issued a notification inviting citizens to register as "Kere Mitra" or lake volunteers to help manage the city's lakes. This is the third round of recruitment where volunteers will be involved in maintaining 124 lakes. Special Commissioner Preeti Gehlot announced the list of available lakes on the website.

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Shaping Europe's future through citizen engagement

28 Feb, 2024

'2024 Voices' initiative aims to empower citizens by actively seeking citizen feedback to guide policymaking. It highlights how the initiative will act as a bridge between citizens and decision-makers to ensure citizen voices are heard in addressing challenges from digitalization, environmental and demographic transitions.

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Reforms for effective citizen engagement: from electoral participation to participatory governance

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Empowering institutions like Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs) and Urban Local Bodies (ULBs) with genuine authority and adequate finances.

2

Strengthening and freeing non-governmental organizations (NGOs) from biases.

3

Ensuring robust legislative functioning of state assemblies to represent diverse interests.

4

Transitioning from representative governance to citizen-centric governance, where citizens actively participate in decision-making processes.

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Celebrating this Month: Shelter Associates

Mar 20, 2024

The Founder Director of Shelter Associates, Pratima Joshi is featured in the upcoming 'UN Women Coffee Table Book' titled Hum. Her inspiring story has been captured in the book. This book is a tribute, not only to the resilient spirit of women leaders in India but also their contributions to nation building.

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Calendar of Upcoming Events

**National Conference on Calibrating Urban
Livability in Global South**

Mar
27-29
2024

Apr
7
2024

**6th Asian Cities Summit (ACS): Safe, Sustainable
and Inclusive Mobility, UN-Habitat, Delhi**

Smart City Asia 2024 Exhibition

Apr
10
2024

To be
announced

CEPT Conference Urban Planning in India

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