# PROJECT INVOLVE: INCLUSIVITY THROUGH CITIZEN ENGAGEMENT



'Sapnon ka Sheher': Citizens Shaping their Cities' Future

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# INTRODUCTION- City Officials' Motivation to Engage

#### **CITY OFFICIALS**

Prevent Low Maintenance, Vandalism, Theft

Feedback on Services

Promote Sense of Ownership

Maximize
Participation and
Enhance Usage

Inputs from Citizens

Maximize Returns on Project Only grievances but not inputs

Budget Constraint Time Constraint

Mandate / Guidelines

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#### **CITIZENS**

Request up-todate Information on city projects People who have special needs may be unable to access to digital

Submit Feedback and Grievances

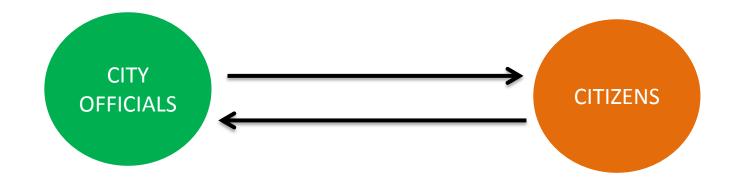
Regular
Communication
Loop

Want to participate in the cities development

Complicated Feedback Submission Mechanism Inefficient
Communication
Channel- Special
needs, Senior
Citizens, BPL etc.

Lack of
Information
about
engagement
methods and
projects

Lack of Communication Loop



Enabling the Municipalities to engage with the diversity of citizens

Similarities and overlaps in motivations of both groups

Considering citizen diversity, time and budget limitations, what is the best mode of citizen engagement by city officials?

a) City officials can leverage citizens' knowledge about their neighborhood and city; it will be a missed opportunity for city authorities to not to tap this knowledge.

b) Government and private sector resources will be limited to address the enormity of city's problems today. City officials can tap into the voluntary spirit and contributions from the citizens.

c) Citizens can mobilize enormous resources (expertise, money, time, etc.) if their contributions are valued by city authorities and a proper mechanism is in place.

# Build inclusive cities by institutionalizing local government and citizen partnerships

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## **BENEFITS**

Bridging the gap between citizens and city officials

## **EXPERIENCE**

- 1. Create a sense of ownership
- 2. Mitigate threats to effective service delivery
- 3. Create a feedback loop

## **FEATURES**

Interactive Online and Offline Toolkit based on the needs of diverse citizenry

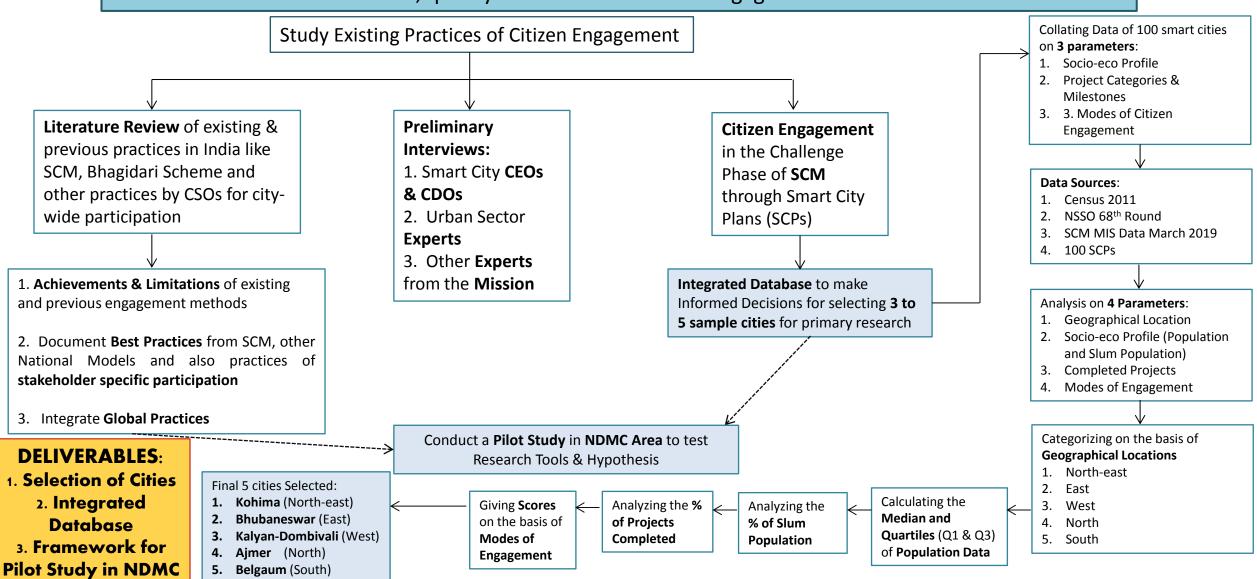
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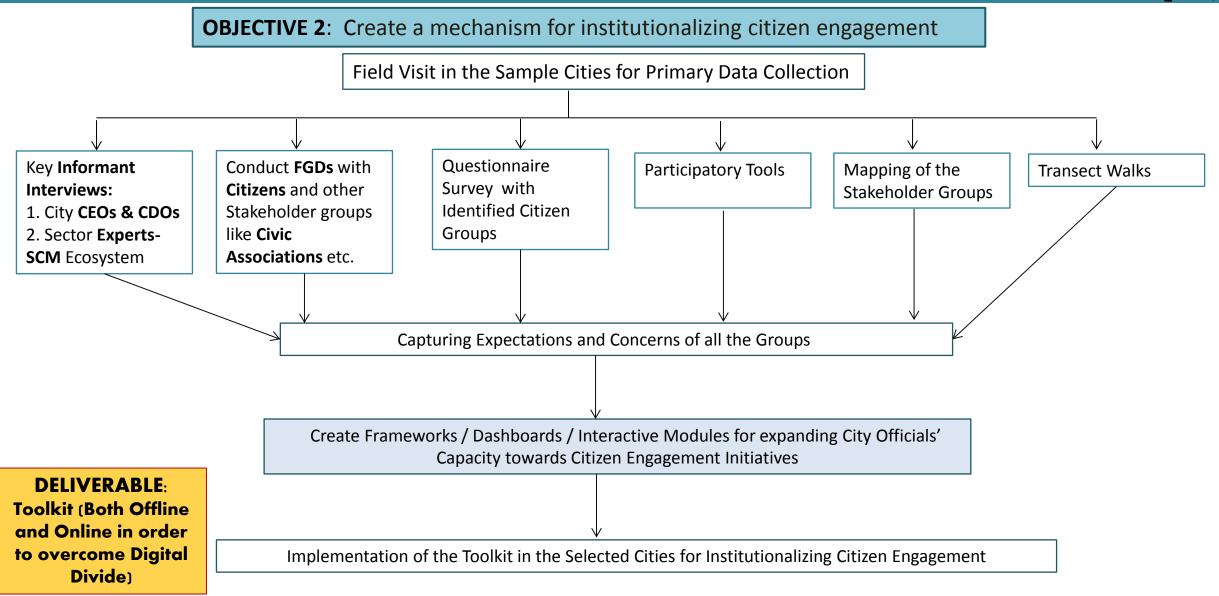
To reinforce and promote sustainable inclusive methods of citizen engagement within an urban institutional framework

## **OBJECTIVES**

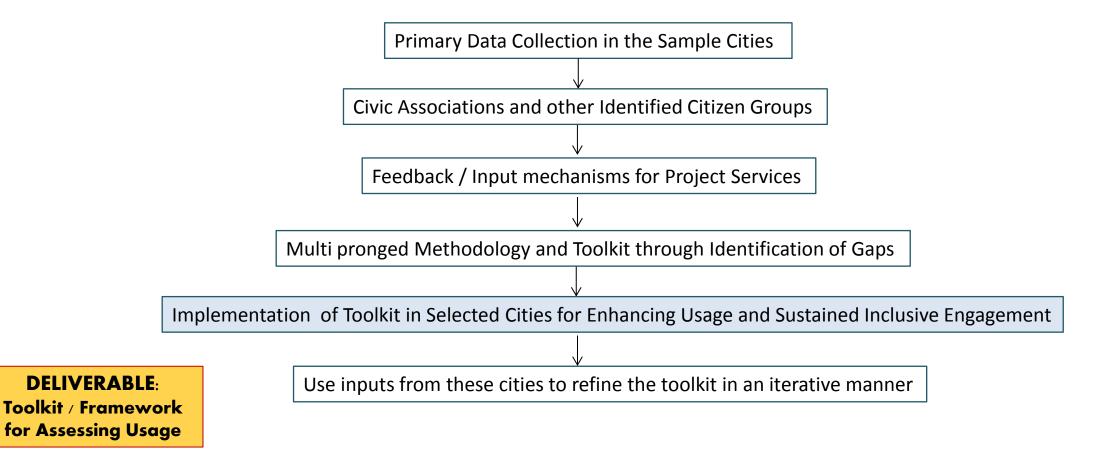
- Assess the extent, quality and modes of citizen engagement in the Smart Cities Mission (SCM)
- > Create a mechanism for institutionalizing citizen engagement
- > Develop a Toolkit to analyze usage patterns of completed projects

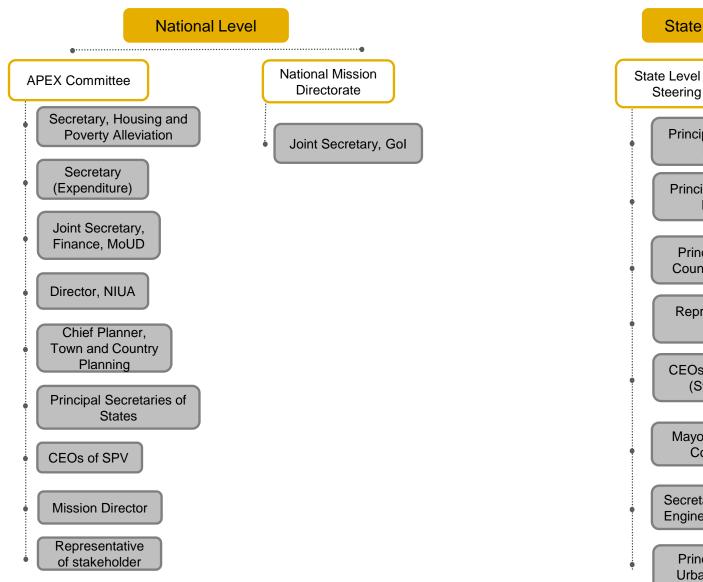
### **OBJECTIVE 1**: Assess the extent, quality and modes of citizen engagement in the Smart Cities Mission





### **OBJECTIVE 3**: Develop a Toolkit to analyze usage patterns of completed projects





State Level

State Level High Powered Steering Committee

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> Principal Secretary, Planning

Principal Secretary, Town & Country Planning Department

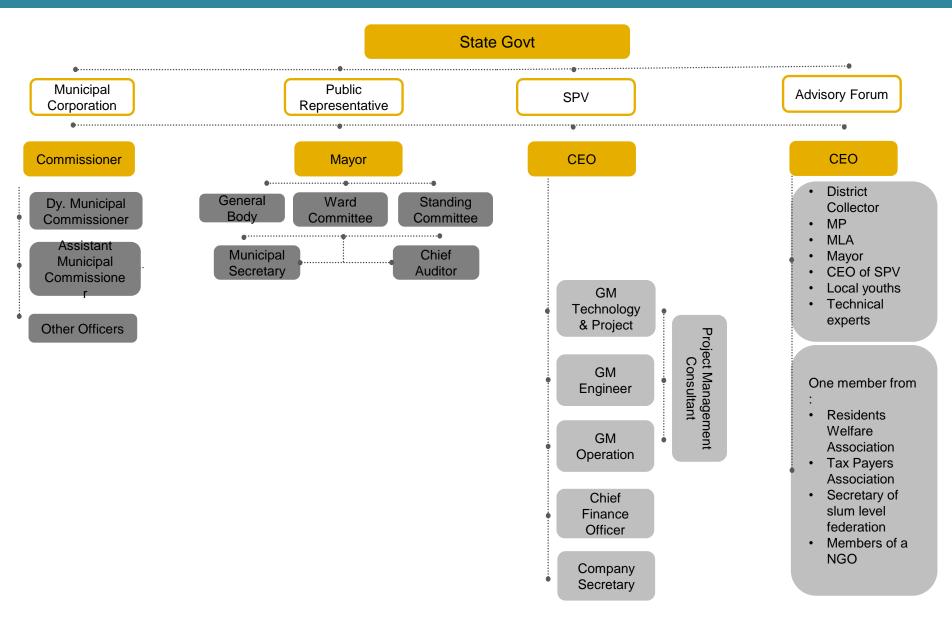
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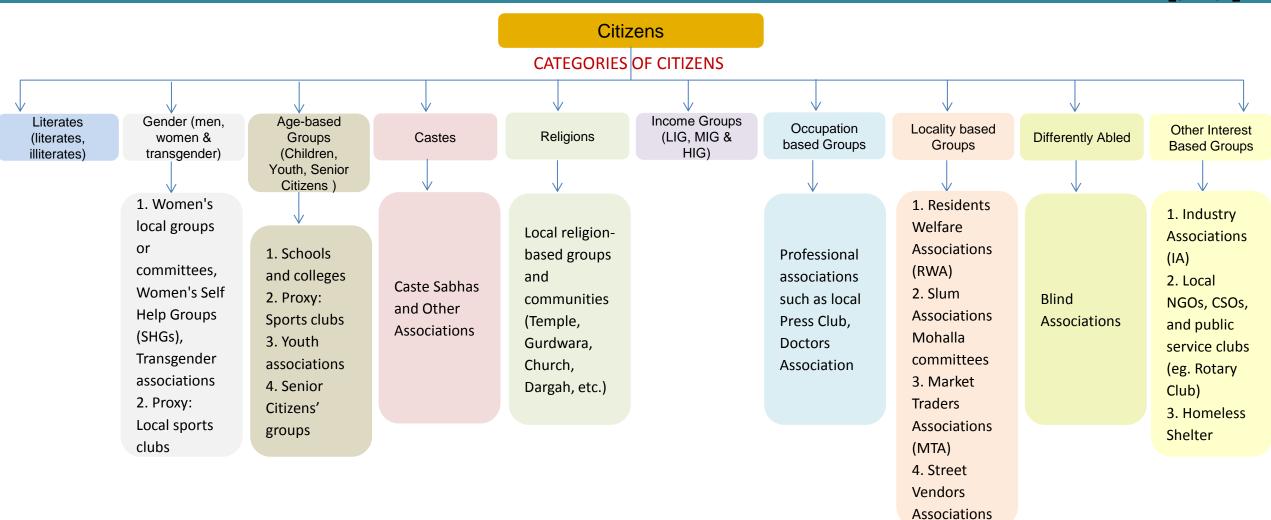
CEOs of SPV (State)

Mayor and Municipal Commissioner

Secretary, Public Health Engineering Department.

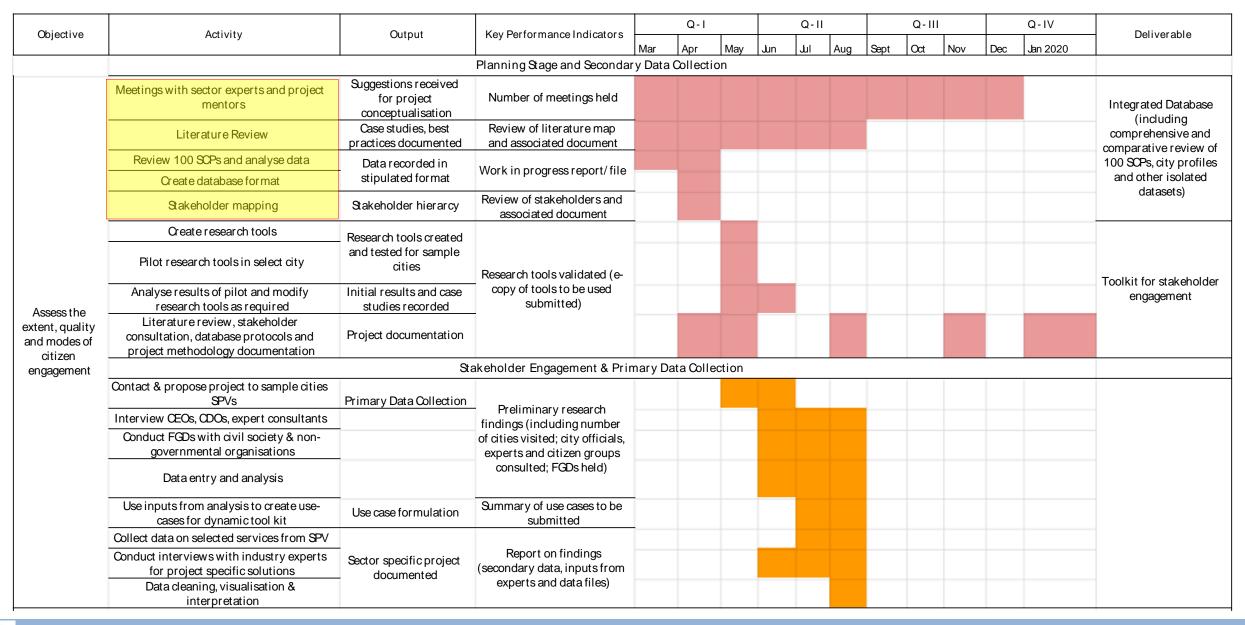
Principal Secretary, Urban Development





Based on our field findings and review of literature, we will suggest modes of engagement appropriate for diverse categories of citizens

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Objective	Activity	Output	Key Performance Indicators	Q-I		Q-II			Q-III			Q-IV		Daliwarahla	
				Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan 2020	Deliverable
			Solution Implementat	ion Stage	)										
Create a	Feeding inputs to create/ finalise use cases	Solution formulated	Number of cities visited												Interactive digital tool-kit for the use of city officials, portal to aggregate major citizen groups
	Use finalised use cases and integrated database to create dynamic tool-kit	Dynamic advisory and participatory tool-kit for citizen engagement drafted	Access to & demonstration of dashboard (if/where required)												
mechanism for	Tool-kit pilot (NDMC)	– Tool kit implemented in sample city (or cities)	Preliminary report on pilot of tool-kit												
institutionalizi ng citizen engagement	Oty visits to implement advisory in sample cities														
Develop a	Ideate project specific solutions through interviews with sectoral experts and ministry inputs; propose design &/ pricing solutions, if any	Project/ service specific solutions to improve citizens' usage of project implemented	Preliminary report on pilot of solutions; any data submitted by SPVs post-implementation									Г			Analysis report on usage patterns of selected Project/ Service
Toolkit to	Report findings of primary data collection and analysis of project														
analyze usage patterns of completed projects	Implement project/service specific solutions in 1/ more cities														

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		Solution Documenta	ion Stage		
Implement project/ service specific solutions in 1/ more cities	Project deliverables implemented in additional cities	Implementation report (including number of stakeholder meetings, number of events held, number of seminars/ portal discussions, reports generated on the dashboard)			
Monitor data on usage of tool-kit and solution through stakeholder engagement  Document methods used, learnings and challenges faced in the project duration	Prroject Involve Consolidated report				Consolidated dynamic (advisory + participatory) dashboard for officials
Finalise literature review, benchmark studies and global best practices					& citizen groups
Integrate findings in consolidated report after inputs from mentors and key informants					



## RISKS OF NON-INCLUSIVE CITIZEN ENGAGEMENT

No sense of ownership among all citizens
Low usage of services bring in lesser revenue / returns
Lack of ownership may result in low maintenance, destruction, vandalism and theft
Uneven development of infrastructure in the city leading to skewed usage
Prone to exclusion of certain marginalized and vulnerable groups

## **MENTORS**



Dr. Rajesh Tandon, Founder — Participatory Research in Asia

Dr. Tandon is an internationally acclaimed leader and practitioner of participatory research and development. Dr Tandon has nearly four decades of work in articulating, elaborating and facilitating philosophical and methodological issues of participatory research and popular participation in India, South Asia and across the world and has authored more than 100 articles, a dozen books and numerous training manuals on these themes.



Dr. Kaustuv Kanti Bandhopadhyay, Director — Participatory Research in Asia

With more than twenty years of professional experience with university, research institution and civil society, Dr. Bandhyopadhyay has led and managed a number of domestic and international research and action learning projects on citizen participation, social accountability, civil society development and democratic governance in urban and rural contexts. He is currently serving on the Executive Committee of LogoLink - a global network on citizen participation and local governance.

## **TEAM COMPOSITION**



Gulshan Banas aims to contribute her theoretical training in governance, citizenship, state politics, and urban sociology as well as methodological training in social research in all aspects of design, data collection and analysis, and implementation and review of the project.



Sreenandini Banerjee aims to contribute her ideologies to this project perceived from Urban Planning and Social Sciences and also her past working experience in Project Management Consultancy. Her understanding on the role of citizens in city planning can help in proposing the frameworks, implementation and the review of the project. Also, the tools for data collection studied during the social science course, will strengthen the planning of this project.



Mayank Saravagi aims to contribute his theoretical training in urban management, governance, citizenship, urban mobility and public finance in framing of the project. Involve in designing framework, data collection and analysis, and implementation and review of the project.



Nandini Bhattacharya has experience in project management and has completed research projects as part of her master's degree requirements. In this project, Nandini is looking forward to contributing through research design & analysis, stakeholder engagement and designing pricing frameworks.

# Thank You for your Attention...



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