

The UrbanShift Country Project (<https://niua.in/urbanshift/>) aims to transform Indian cities through integrated urban planning which would lead to reducing GHG emissions, air pollution and congestion, protecting and conserving ecologically sensitive areas, and reducing inequities in urban service delivery for vulnerable communities by building the capacity of state and city authorities. The project supports the development of integrated sustainable cities where knowledge exchange and capacity development informs the implementation of integrated sustainable innovative inclusive and gender-sensitive projects, that can be replicated in other cities.

The project would provide technical assistance and investment for undertaking the following activities in the partner cities (Pune and Surat) and replication cities (Agra and Puducherry UT):

- **Evidence-based sustainable and integrated planning**
- **Investments in low emissions, resilient and nature-based solutions**
- **Innovative financing solutions for cities**
- **Knowledge management and capacity development**

To increase the number of city authorities and stakeholders having access to knowledge, tools, best practices, etc. to develop and implement integrated sustainable development plans and investments, the NULP is being linked to the **UrbanShift Global Platform (www.shiftcities.org)**, which is a knowledge and learning platform that connects cities worldwide with the tools, training and advocacy they need to put these strategies into action. Additionally, Training programs will also be organised to build capacities of city officials and all stakeholders including urban and state government officials, private sector, civil society organisations, and think tanks, among others.