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**BRICS Urbanisation Forum adopts declaration on inclusive, resilient cities**

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<https://www.ptinews.com/story/national/brics-urbanisation-forum-adopts-declaration-on-inclusive-resilient-cities/3761098>



## The Two-Day Event Of The 13th BRICS Urbanization Forum Concluded In New Delhi.



The two-day 13th BRICS Urbanization Forum concluded today in New Delhi. It witnessed fruitful discussions among BRICS member countries on building inclusive, resilient, sustainable, and people-responsive cities. Organized by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs under India's BRICS chairmanship, the Forum's theme was "Cities for the People: BRICS Cooperation for an Inclusive and Resilient Urban Future."

It was attended by delegations from Brazil, China, Egypt, Ethiopia, Indonesia, Iran, Russia, South Africa, and the United Arab Emirates. Housing and Urban Affairs Minister Manohar Lal said that during the forum, delegations from each country shared their national priorities, policy approaches, and institutional experience in urbanization management. He said that the delegations highlighted various national plans and policy approaches. These included programs related to affordable housing, slum improvement, public transport, climate adaptation, sustainable infrastructure, water security, solid waste management, urban renewal, land management, municipal reforms, and the use of technology in urban governance.

The Forum adopted the Urban Ministerial Declaration. This Declaration highlights key priorities shared by Member States and reaffirms their commitment to advancing people-centered urban development. The Declaration emphasizes the importance of building inclusive, sustainable, resilient, and livable cities, ensuring equitable access to urban services, especially for marginalized groups.

<https://newsonair.gov.in/hi/the-two-day-13th-brics-urbanisation-forum-concluded-in-new-delhi/>



## 13th BRICS Urbanisation Forum Emphasises Creating Inclusive, Sustainable, Resilient And Liveable Cities



The 13th BRICS Urbanisation Forum emphasized the importance of creating inclusive, sustainable, resilient and liveable cities to ensure equitable access to urban services particularly for marginalised groups. The two day meeting concluded today in New Delhi with adoption of the Urban Ministerial Declaration. The declaration highlights key priorities shared by member nations and reaffirms commitment to advancing people-centred urban development.

The Forum was convened by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs, under India's BRICS Chairship. It was held on the theme, 'Cities for People: BRICS Cooperation for Inclusive and Resilient Urban Futures.' Delegations from Brazil, China, Egypt, Ethiopia, Indonesia, Iran, Russia, South Africa and the United Arab Emirates participated in the Forum. Briefing media in New Delhi, Minister of Housing and Urban Affairs Manohar Lal said that over the course of the forum, each country delegation presented its national priorities, policy approaches and institutional experience in managing urbanisation. He added that delegations highlighted a wide range of national initiatives and policy approaches. These included programmes for affordable housing, slum upgrading, public transport, climate adaptation, sustainable infrastructure, water security, solid waste management, urban renewal, land management, municipal reform, and the use of technology in urban governance.

<https://newsonair.gov.in/13th-brics-urbanisation-forum-emphasises-creating-inclusive-sustainable-resilient-and-liveable-cities/>

## BRICS nations adopt resolution on people-centric urban development

The Ministerial declaration adopted on the concluding day of the two-day 13th BRICS Urbanisation Forum highlights key priorities shared by member nations and reaffirms commitment to advancing people-centred urban development



Union Minister of Housing and Urban Affairs Manohar Lal Khattar at the 13th BRICS Urbanisation Forum 2026 at Sushma Swaraj Bhawan, in New Delhi on June 12, 2026. Photo: X/@mlkhattar via ANI

The BRICS nations on Friday (June 12, 2026) adopted a declaration on inclusive, resilient and people-centred urban development.

The Ministerial declaration adopted on the concluding day of the 13<sup>th</sup> BRICS Urbanisation Forum in the national capital, highlights key priorities shared by member nations and reaffirms commitment to advancing people-centred urban development.

It emphasises the importance of creating inclusive, sustainable, resilient and liveable cities that ensure equitable access to urban services, particularly for marginalised groups, according to an official statement of the Union Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs.

Hosted by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs under India's BRICS chairship in 2026, the two-day forum brought together Ministers, senior government officials and urban practitioners from BRICS member nations to deliberate on the theme, 'Cities for People: BRICS Cooperation for Inclusive and Resilient Urban Futures'.

The forum also presented a compilation of good practices from BRICS nations, titled 'Cities for People: Urban Stories from BRICS Nations'.

Union Minister of Housing and Urban Affairs M.L. Khattar, in his valedictory address, emphasised the value of the forum as a platform for shared learning and practical cooperation among BRICS member nations.

He called for the discussions held in New Delhi to be carried forward through sustained institutional engagement, exchange among cities and continued cooperation beyond India's chairship.

For continued cooperation, the member countries welcomed India's proposal for the establishment of the 'BRICS Urban Research and Knowledge Network', for applied urban research, knowledge sharing, and peer-to-peer learning.

The Network has been designed as a chairship-led, institutionally connected platform to provide a practical and sustained mechanism for urban cooperation within BRICS. It will support systematic knowledge-sharing and mutual learning, while helping bridge the gap between policy and implementation through the exchange of practical solutions, city-level experiences and operational lessons.

Operating through a virtual, low-cost and flexible model, the Network will be coordinated each year by the lead institution of the BRICS chair country, with activities and outputs handed over to the next chairship, a senior official said.

<https://www.thehindu.com/news/national/brics-nations-adopt-resolution-on-people-centric-urban-development/article71094592.ece>

## BRICS nations okay India-proposed knowledge-sharing network on urbanization

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The BRICS member nations have accepted a proposal by India to establish a knowledge-sharing forum on urbanization, said Union housing and urban affairs minister Manohar Lal in New Delhi on Friday.

Speaking at the conclusion of the BRICS Urbanisation Forum 2026, Manohar Lal said this network—BRICS Urban Research and Knowledge Network—will be a chair-led institutionally connected knowledge mechanism for research and collaboration between member nations.

The 13th forum was held under India's BRICS chairship, and the knowledge-sharing network was one of the key outcomes of the summit underlined in the Urban Ministerial Declaration, according to a statement by the housing ministry.

The declaration highlighted the priorities of member nations and reaffirmed their commitment to people-centred urban development, emphasized the creation of resilient cities with equitable access, recognized the need for further digital innovation in improving governance, and created the knowledge-sharing network.

“There will be one nodal organization from each member country as a part of this network,” said the Union minister.

The two-day forum in New Delhi concluded with member nations recognizing the need for stronger local authorities, the growth in digital innovation in urban governance, and the importance of sustainable and climate-resilient urban development, the ministry's statement said.

Officials said two plenary sessions were held with member nations to highlight best practices in each country in the field of urbanization with the goal of making cities more equitable and resilient.

### **Other initiatives**

Among other initiatives, India's 'Swatchh Bharat' initiative was showcased during the discussion, said the Union minister.

Delegations from Brazil, China, Egypt, Ethiopia, Indonesia, Iran, Russia, South Africa, and the United Arab Emirates, along with India as host, participated in the summit, the statement added.

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Member nations discussed several common issues, such as affordable and adequate housing, access to basic amenities, climate and disaster resilience, and municipal finance.

This comes at a time when the country is planning to strengthen its urban local bodies in the coming years, with Union finance minister Nirmala Sitharaman announcing incentives for urban local bodies tapping into debt markets for infrastructure financing in her budget speech for FY27 in February this year.

<https://www.livemint.com/news/india/brics-nations-india-proposed-knowledge-sharing-network-on-urbanization-manohar-lal/amp-11781274550198.html>

## **BRICS nations adopt urban ministerial declaration charting people-centric future for cities**

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NEW DELHI: In a significant step toward strengthening urban cooperation, member countries at the 13th BRICS Urbanisation Forum adopted the Urban Ministerial Declaration, reaffirming their shared commitment to building inclusive, sustainable, resilient, and people-centred urban development.

The declaration emerged as the key outcome of the forum, where representatives from BRICS nations discussed pressing urban challenges and explored collaborative solutions for the future of rapidly growing cities. The member nations emphasized that urban development must focus on improving the quality of life for citizens while ensuring equitable access to essential services, particularly for marginalized and vulnerable communities.

The two-day forum concluded on Friday. The event was convened by the ministry of housing and urban affairs under India's BRICS chairship. Delegations from Brazil, China, Egypt, Ethiopia, Indonesia, Iran, Russia, South America and the United Arab Emirates (UAE) participated in the Forum, alongside India as the host nation.

While briefing about the outcome, Lal said that at the Forum delegations highlighted a wide range of national initiatives and policy approaches. These included programmes for affordable housing, slum upgrading, public transport, climate adaptation, sustainable infrastructure, municipal reforms, solid waste management and use of technology in urban governance.

To take forward the learnings of the Forum, India proposed establishment of the 'BRICS Urban Research and Knowledge Network', which was appreciated by the member nations. This Network will be a chair-led institutionally connected knowledge mechanism for applied urban research knowledge sharing and peer-to-peer learning.

“The Network will support systematic knowledge-sharing and mutual learning, while helping bridge the gap between policy and implementation through the exchange of practical solutions, city-level experiences and operational lessons. Operating through a virtual, low-cost and flexible model, the Network will be coordinated each year by the lead institution of the BRICS Chair country, with activities and outputs handed over to the next Chairship,” said Lal.

A major theme of the discussions was climate resilience, which delegates identified as a critical urban priority. Participants noted that cities are increasingly facing threats from extreme heat, flooding, water scarcity, air pollution, coastal risks, and other climate-related hazards. The forum called for integrating climate considerations into urban planning, infrastructure development, housing, land use, mobility, and service delivery systems.

The declaration further recognized the growing importance of strong local governments, digital innovation, and citizen-centred governance in shaping future cities.

During the forum, member countries also showcased successful urban initiatives through a publication titled “Cities for People: Urban Stories from BRICS Nations,” which compiles best practices and innovative approaches adopted across BRICS cities.

The outcomes of the two-day Forum will contribute to a shared roadmap for BRICS nations to build cities that are inclusive, resilient, sustainable and well governed, added Lal.

<https://www.newindianexpress.com/india/2026/Jun/12/brics-nations-adopt-urban-ministerial-declaration-charting-people-centric-future-for-cities>

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## BRICS adopts Delhi Declaration on cities, backs India-led urban knowledge network

The declaration is adopted at the conclusion of the two-day 13th BRICS Urbanisation Forum in New Delhi, held under India's BRICS Chair ship



Union Minister of Housing and Urban Affairs Manohar Lal addresses during Valedictory Press Conference of BRICS Urbanization Forum 2026, at Sushma Swaraj Bhawan, in New Delhi on Friday. ANI

BRICS nations on Friday adopted the 'Delhi Declaration' on inclusive and resilient urban development, marking a collective commitment to build people-centred cities while backing an India-led initiative to create a permanent platform for urban cooperation across the grouping.

The declaration was adopted at the conclusion of the two-day 13th BRICS Urbanisation Forum in New Delhi, held under India's BRICS Chair ship. Ministers, senior officials and urban experts from member countries participated in discussions on the future of cities at a time when rapid urban growth, climate pressures and infrastructure demands are reshaping urban landscapes across the developing world.

A key outcome of the forum was support for India's proposal to establish the BRICS Urban Research and Knowledge Network, a platform intended to promote applied urban research, knowledge sharing and peer-to-peer learning among member nations. The proposed mechanism is expected to function through a virtual model and will be coordinated annually by the lead institution of the BRICS Chair country.

The declaration reaffirms the commitment of BRICS countries to creating inclusive, sustainable, resilient and liveable cities while improving access to housing, mobility, urban services and infrastructure, particularly for vulnerable communities. It also underscores the importance of strengthening institutions, encouraging innovation and improving the capacity of cities to respond to emerging challenges.

Throughout the forum, delegates exchanged experiences on urban governance, climate-resilient infrastructure, municipal capacity building and the use of technology to improve service delivery. Discussions also focused on scaling successful local innovations and adapting them to different urban contexts across BRICS nations.

Union Housing and Urban Affairs Minister Manohar Lal said the gathering provided an opportunity to place urban issues more firmly within the global development discourse. He highlighted inclusive development, resilient infrastructure, stronger institutions and digital innovation as central pillars of India's urban transformation agenda.

The forum also showcased urban best practices from India and other BRICS countries and released compilations documenting successful initiatives in urban development. Officials said the deliberations and the declaration together provide a framework for deeper cooperation as member nations seek to make their cities more inclusive, sustainable and better governed.

With the adoption of the declaration and support for a dedicated knowledge network, the New Delhi meeting sought to move urban cooperation within BRICS beyond dialogue and towards a more structured mechanism for sharing solutions, experiences and policy approaches among some of the world's fastest urbanising economies.

<https://www.tribuneindia.com/topic/inclusivecities>

# ThePrint

## **BRICS Urbanisation Forum adopts declaration on inclusive, resilient cities**

New Delhi, Jun 12 (PTI) The two-day BRICS Urbanisation Forum concluded on Friday with the adoption of the 'Urban Ministerial Declaration', which highlights key priorities shared by member nations and reaffirms commitment to advancing people-centred urban development.

Addressing a press conference, Union Housing and Urban Affairs Minister Manohar Lal said that the member nations welcomed India's proposal for the establishment of a BRICS Urban Research and Knowledge Network.

This network will be a chair-led, institutionally connected knowledge mechanism for applied urban research, knowledge sharing and peer-to-peer learning.

Hosted by the Union Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA) under India's BRICS Chairship, the forum was attended by ministers, senior government officials and urban practitioners from Brazil, Russia, Indonesia, India, China, South Africa, Egypt, Ethiopia, Iran and the United Arab Emirates.

The 'Urban Ministerial Declaration' emphasises the importance of creating inclusive, sustainable, resilient and liveable cities that ensure equitable access to urban services, particularly for marginalised groups.

Lal said the member nations also recognised the need for stronger local authorities and organisations, and the growing role of digital innovation in improving governance, planning and citizen-centred services.

According to the MoHUA, the declaration also emphasised the importance of promoting environmentally sustainable and climate-resilient urban development.

The ministry said that the forum concluded with a shared understanding that the future of BRICS cooperation will be shaped in significant measure by how member countries work together to build cities that are inclusive, resilient, sustainable and prepared for the future.

The forum focused on the theme — ‘Cities for People: BRICS Cooperation for Inclusive and Resilient Urban Futures’.

The two-day discussions showed that BRICS countries are experimenting with different models, but are often responding to similar pressures — rapid urban growth, infrastructure deficits, fiscal constraints, climate risks, and the need to make cities more liveable and equitable. PTI BUN DIV DIV

<https://theprint.in/india/brics-urbanisation-forum-adopts-declaration-on-inclusive-resilient-cities/2958622/>

## **BRICS Urbanisation Forum adopts declaration on inclusive and resilient urban growth**



New Delhi, June 12 (IANS) The 13th BRICS Urbanisation Forum concluded on Friday at Sushma Swaraj Bhavan here with the adoption of the ministerial declaration on inclusive, resilient and people-centred urban development.

The declaration highlights key priorities shared by member nations and emphasises the importance of creating inclusive, sustainable, resilient and liveable cities that ensure equitable access to urban services, particularly for marginalised groups, according to an official statement.

The outcomes of the two-day forum are expected to contribute to a shared roadmap for BRICS nations to build cities that are inclusive, resilient, sustainable and well governed.

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Hosted by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs under India's BRICS Chairship in 2026, the two-day forum brought together Ministers, senior government officials and urban practitioners from BRICS member nations to deliberate on the theme, 'Cities for People: BRICS Cooperation for Inclusive and Resilient Urban Futures'.

The Forum was formally inaugurated by Manohar Lal, Union Minister of Housing and Urban Affairs.

In his inaugural address, the Union Minister said that the forum was an opportunity to bring the urban agenda more firmly into the global development discourse, and highlighted inclusive urban development, climate- and disaster-resilient infrastructure, strengthened institutions and digital innovation as key anchors of India's urban development approach.

Union Minister Manohar Lal also released 'India's Urban Transformation: Stories of Change', a publication presenting select urban practices from India's states and Union Territories across the four priority areas of the forum.

The inaugural session was followed by a high-level plenary chaired by the Minister, where participating countries shared national experiences, priorities and aspirations for the urban future through their country statements.

Delegations also undertook a curated field visit to select urban interventions in and around New Delhi, including the New Parliament Complex and the India Gate–Kartavya Path precinct, before the day concluded with a cultural programme.

On the sidelines, bilateral meetings were held, including between India and Russia, India and Iran, Iran and Russia, Iran and China, and Russia and the United Arab Emirates.

The second day of the forum featured two high-level panel discussions on inclusive and resilient urban development, strengthening urban institutions, and scaling innovations for people-centred cities.

The first panel discussion, 'Building Inclusive Pathways for Resilient and Equitable Cities', was moderated by Roopa Mishra, Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs' International Cooperation Joint Secretary.

Representatives of BRICS member nations discussed approaches to ensuring that urban growth improves access to housing, mobility, basic services, livelihoods and public spaces, particularly for vulnerable and underserved communities.

The second panel discussion, 'Strengthening Institutions and Scaling Innovations for People-centred Cities', was moderated by Shalabh Goel, National Capital Region Transport Corporation Managing Director.

Representatives of BRICS member nations exchanged experiences on strengthening urban institutions, building municipal capacity, improving coordination across levels of government, and using technology and data to enhance service delivery.

The session also considered how successful local innovations could be adapted and scaled across different urban contexts.

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<https://ianslive.in/brics-urbanisation-forum-adopts-declaration-on-inclusive-and-resilient-urban-growth--20260612205103>

## **BRICS nations back inclusive & resilient urban development**

NEW DELHI: The 13th BRICS Urbanisation Forum concluded in New Delhi with the adoption of a Ministerial Declaration reaffirming the bloc's commitment to inclusive, resilient and people-centric urban development.

Hosted by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs under India's BRICS chairship in 2026, the two-day forum brought together ministers, senior government officials, urban planners and experts from BRICS member countries. The event was organised around the theme, "Cities for People: BRICS Cooperation for Inclusive and Resilient Urban Futures." Union Minister for Housing and Urban Affairs Manohar Lal inaugurated the forum, highlighting the importance of strengthening cooperation among BRICS nations to address common urban challenges. Discussions focused on key areas such as inclusive growth, climate-resilient cities, institutional capacity building, sustainable urban governance and the use of digital technologies to improve urban living.

The forum marked the fourth time India hosted the BRICS Urbanisation Forum.

During the inaugural session, Manohar Lal released a publication titled "India's Urban Transformation: Stories of Change." The book showcases successful urban development initiatives from various States and Union Territories, highlighting achievements across the forum's four priority areas. The publication presents case studies documenting transformative changes in urban governance, infrastructure and service delivery. Senior-level deliberations featured presentations by participating countries on their urban development experiences, policy innovations and future strategies. Delegates also visited key urban infrastructure projects in the national capital, including the new Parliament building and the redeveloped Kartavya Path precinct. On the sidelines of the forum, several bilateral meetings were held among participating nations, including discussions between India and Russia, India and Iran, as well as interactions involving delegates from Iran, China, Russia and the UAE.

A key outcome of the forum was the endorsement of India's proposal to establish the "BRICS Urban Research and Knowledge Network." The proposed platform aims to facilitate research collaboration, knowledge-sharing and capacity-building among member countries, fostering cooperation on sustainable urban development.

<https://www.millenniumpost.in/nation/european-weapons-used-against-india-for-years-664066>

# BRICS Urbanisation Forum adopts declaration on inclusive, resilient cities

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Union Housing and Urban Affairs Minister Manohar Lal. Credit: X/@mlkhattar

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<https://www.deccanherald.com/india/brics-urbanisation-forum-adopts-declaration-on-inclusive-resilient-cities-4037451>

# THE TIMES OF INDIA

Planning of cities must be people-centric, says Manohar Lal as Brics forum adopts urban pact



NEW DELHI: Planning of cities and towns must be people-centric and responsive to citizens' needs, housing and urban affairs minister Manohar Lal said Friday as Brics nations adopted an Urban Ministerial Declaration committing to inclusive development, particularly for vulnerable and marginalised groups.

The declaration, adopted at the conclusion of the two-day Brics Urbanisation Forum, themed 'Cities for People', emphasised the need to create liveable cities that ensure equitable access to housing, infrastructure and urban services.

Addressing a press conference, Lal said that urbanisation was a common challenge facing all Brics countries. While only about 35% of India's population currently lives in urban areas, UN projections indicate the country's urbanisation level could exceed 70% in the coming decades, making sustainable city planning a critical priority.

**"Planning should be such that it's acceptable to people," Lal said, in response to a question.**

The declaration also highlighted the need to strengthen local govts and institutions, promote climate-resilient urban development, and leverage digital technologies to improve governance, planning and citizen-centric services.

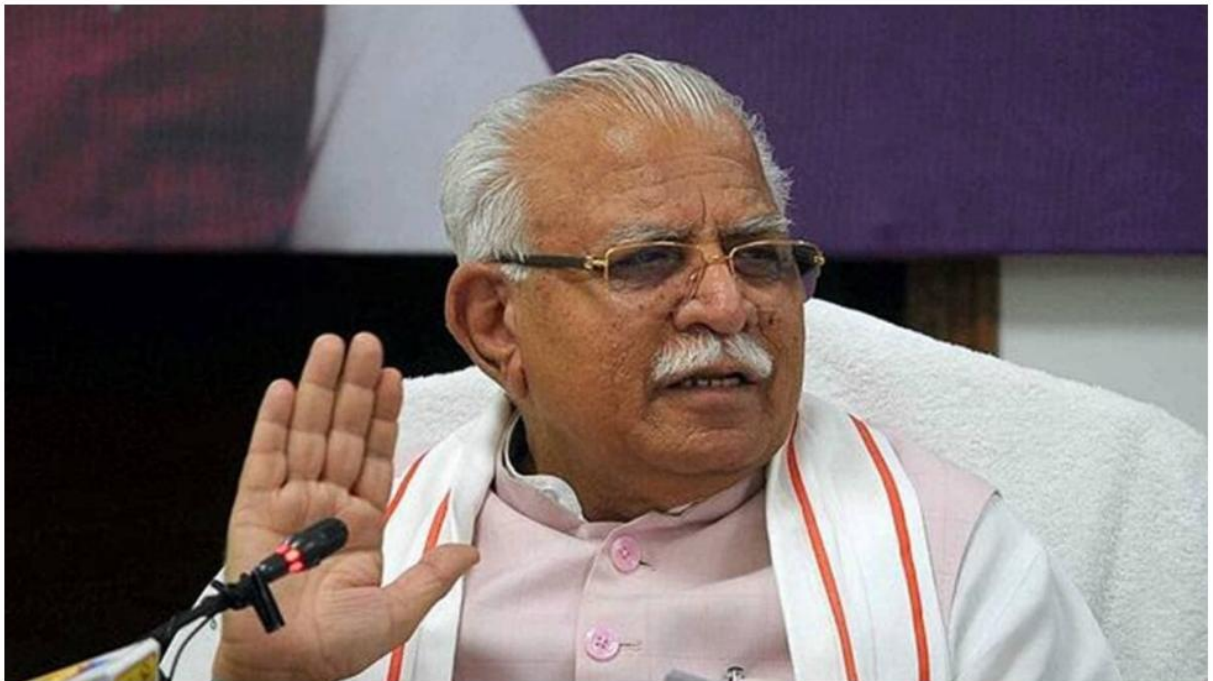
Hosted by housing and urban affairs ministry under India's Brics chairship, the forum brought together ministers, senior officials and urban experts from member nations.

Officials said the discussions reflected common challenges faced by Brics nations, including rapid urban growth, infrastructure gaps, fiscal constraints, climate risks and the need to make cities more liveable and equitable.

[https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/india/planning-of-cities-must-be-people-centric-says-manohar-lal-as-brics-forum-adopts-urban-pact/amp\\_articleshow/131690605.cms](https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/india/planning-of-cities-must-be-people-centric-says-manohar-lal-as-brics-forum-adopts-urban-pact/amp_articleshow/131690605.cms)

## Planning of cities should be for the people: Minister Manohar Lal

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Housing and Urban Affairs Minister Manohar Lal

The BRICS Urbanisation Forum concluded in Delhi on Friday, with the adoption of a declaration on inclusive, sustainable and liveable cities, Housing and Urban Affairs Minister Manohar Lal said.

Addressing a press conference, the Minister said the BRICS countries had accepted India's proposal to set up a BRICS Urban Research and Knowledge Network.

Speaking about the deliberations, he said: "Urban development cannot be limited to just infrastructure, but it starts with our people. The planning of cities should be for the people."

Lal said the member nations also recognised the need for stronger local authorities and organisations, and the growing role of digital innovation in improving governance, planning and citizen-centred services.

While this was the fourth BRICS Urbanisation Forum hosted by India, it was the first time that the participants were ministerial-level dignitaries.

<https://indianexpress.com/article/india/planning-of-cities-should-be-for-the-people-minister-manohar-lal-10737165/>



*Manohar Lal along with others at BRICS forum in Delhi.*

## **Urban agenda takes centre stage as BRICS Forum opens in Delhi**

NEW DELHI, JUN 11 (PTI): A two-day BRICS Urbanisation Forum commenced here on Thursday, with Union Housing and Urban Affairs Minister Manohar Lal describing it as a key platform to place urban development more prominently within the global development discourse.

Hosted by the Union Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA) under India's BRICS Chairship, the forum is being attended by ministers, senior government officials and urban practitioners from Brazil, Russia, Indonesia, India, China, South Africa, Egypt, Ethiopia, Iran and the United Arab Emirates.

The forum focuses on the theme — 'Cities for People: BRICS Cooperation for Inclusive and Resilient Urban Futures'.

Addressing the inaugural session, Manohar Lal said the platform offers an opportunity to bring the urban agenda more firmly into global development discussions. According to the government, India is hosting the BRICS Urbanisation Forum for the fourth time, following the editions held in New Delhi in 2013, Visakhapatnam in 2016 and virtually in 2021.

The minister said, "Under India's BRICS Chairship, this Forum is an opportunity to bring the urban agenda more firmly into the global development conversation."

He highlighted the anchors of India's development story as inclusive urban development, climate and disaster-resilient infrastructure, strengthening institutions, and digital innovation.

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Welcoming the delegations, ministry secretary Srinivas Katikithala set the context for the Forum, saying, “Over the years, this Forum has enabled member countries to exchange good practices, deepen mutual understanding of each other’s systems, and build the trust required for sustained cooperation.”

The ministry said that on the sidelines of the BRICS Urbanisation Forum, a bilateral meeting was held between India and the Russian Federation, co-chaired by Tokhan Sahu, Minister of State for Housing and Urban Affairs, Government of India, and Yury Mutsenek, Deputy Minister of Construction, Housing and Utilities of the Russian Federation.

The meeting provided an opportunity for substantive and forward-looking discussions on enhancing bilateral cooperation in the field of sustainable urban development. Both sides reviewed the progress of discussions on the proposed Memorandum of Understanding on Sustainable Urban Development and expressed their commitment to expediting its finalization and conclusion at the earliest. The deliberations encompassed a broad range of areas of mutual interest, including urban planning, affordable housing, municipal infrastructure, sustainable construction technologies, capacity building, and the exchange of best practices in urban governance. Bilateral discussions were also conducted between Iran and Russia, Iran and China, Russia and the United Arab Emirates.

The delegations subsequently undertook a curated field to select urban interventions in and around New Delhi, offering first-hand exposure to India's urban transformation, including the New Parliament Complex and the India Gate–Kartavya Path precinct, the HUA ministry also said.

<https://nagalandpost.com/urban-agenda-takes-centre-stage-as-brics-forum-opens-in-delhi/>



## BRICS Nations Adopt Urban Development Declaration Under India's Chairship

Union Minister for Housing and Urban Affairs Manohar Lal inaugurated the forum and highlighted the growing importance of urban issues in shaping global development.



The 13th BRICS Urbanisation Forum concluded in New Delhi on Thursday with member nations adopting a Ministerial Declaration that reinforces their commitment to building cities that are inclusive, resilient and focused on improving the lives of people.

Hosted by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs under India's BRICS Chairship for 2026, the two-day gathering brought together ministers, senior officials and urban development experts from BRICS countries. The discussions centred on the theme, *'Cities for People: BRICS Cooperation for Inclusive and Resilient Urban Futures.'*

## **Focus on Inclusive and Resilient Urban Growth**

Union Minister for Housing and Urban Affairs Manohar Lal inaugurated the forum and highlighted the growing importance of urban issues in shaping global development. He underlined the need for cities that can provide better opportunities for citizens while remaining prepared for climate-related risks, natural disasters and rapid population growth.

During the opening session, the minister released *India's Urban Transformation: Stories of Change*, a publication showcasing urban development initiatives undertaken by states and union territories. Representatives from participating countries also shared their priorities and experiences in managing urbanisation through a high-level plenary session.

## **Urban Solutions Shared Across BRICS Nations**

Delegates visited several landmark projects in and around New Delhi, including the New Parliament Complex and the India Gate-Kartavya Path precinct, giving participants a closer look at India's recent urban infrastructure initiatives.

The second day featured discussions on equitable urban development, stronger governance systems and the role of innovation in improving city life. Officials from BRICS countries exchanged views on expanding access to housing, mobility, public services, livelihoods and public spaces, especially for communities that often face barriers in accessing urban opportunities.

Speaking during one of the sessions, Housing and Urban Affairs Secretary Srinivas Katikithala said the real measure of urban development lies in how effectively cities use resources to improve people's quality of life. Delegates also discussed ways to combine social inclusion with climate resilience so that cities can better protect residents and critical infrastructure.

## **Stronger Institutions Seen as Key to Future Cities**

Another panel discussion focused on improving urban governance and strengthening institutions responsible for managing growing cities. Participants examined how municipal bodies can build capacity, improve coordination across government levels and make better use of technology and data-driven decision-making.

Additional Secretary D. Thara noted that innovations create greater impact when institutions are capable of scaling them across cities and regions. Representatives shared examples of successful local initiatives and explored ways to adapt those solutions in different urban environments.

Alongside the main sessions, several bilateral meetings took place between participating countries, reflecting growing cooperation on urban development and related policy areas.

### **New BRICS Urban Network Proposed**

The major outcome of the forum was support for India's proposal to establish the BRICS Urban Research and Knowledge Network. The proposed platform will encourage applied research, knowledge exchange and peer learning among member nations while helping bridge the gap between policy formulation and implementation.

Designed as a virtual and low-cost mechanism, the network will allow cities and institutions across BRICS countries to share practical experiences, operational lessons and successful urban solutions. The coordinating responsibility will pass to the lead institution of each BRICS Chair country annually. The forum also released a compilation titled *Cities for People: Urban Stories from BRICS Nations*, highlighting successful urban practices from member countries.

In his closing remarks, Manohar Lal stressed the importance of sustained cooperation among BRICS nations and called for continued engagement among cities and institutions even after India's Chairship concludes. The outcomes of the forum are expected to contribute to a shared roadmap for developing cities that are more inclusive, sustainable, resilient and better governed.

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## BRICS Adopts Declaration on Inclusive Urban Futures

India's proposal for BRICS Urban Research Network receives backing from member nations



- 13th BRICS Urbanisation Forum concludes in New Delhi
- Ministerial Declaration adopted on inclusive and resilient cities
- India proposes BRICS Urban Research and Knowledge Network
- BRICS nations showcase urban success stories and best practices

GG News Bureau

New Delhi, 12th June: The 13th BRICS Urbanisation Forum concluded in New Delhi on Friday with member nations adopting a Ministerial Declaration aimed at promoting inclusive, resilient and people-centred urban development across the BRICS bloc.

Hosted by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs under India's BRICS Chairship in 2026, the two-day forum brought together ministers, senior government officials and urban experts from member countries under the theme, "Cities for People: BRICS Cooperation for Inclusive and Resilient Urban Futures."

Union Housing and Urban Affairs Minister Manohar Lal, who inaugurated the forum, emphasized the need to place urban development more firmly within the global development agenda. He highlighted inclusive growth, climate-resilient infrastructure, stronger institutions and digital innovation as key pillars of India's urban transformation strategy.

During the event, the Minister released a publication titled "India's Urban Transformation: Stories of Change," showcasing successful urban initiatives from states and Union Territories across the country.

The forum featured high-level discussions on equitable urban growth, resilient infrastructure, municipal governance and technology-driven service delivery. Delegates exchanged experiences on improving access to housing, mobility, livelihoods and public services while addressing challenges posed by climate change and rapid urbanisation.

Representing India, Housing and Urban Affairs Secretary Srinivas Katikithala stressed the importance of efficient and equitable use of resources to improve quality of life in cities. Additional Secretary D. Thara highlighted the need for strong institutions capable of scaling successful urban innovations.

A key outcome of the forum was the adoption of the Ministerial Declaration, which reaffirmed BRICS nations' commitment to creating inclusive, sustainable, resilient and liveable cities with equitable access to urban services, particularly for vulnerable and marginalized communities.

The forum also presented a compilation of successful urban initiatives from member countries titled "Cities for People: Urban Stories from BRICS Nations."

In a major initiative, BRICS nations welcomed India's proposal to establish the BRICS Urban Research and Knowledge Network, a platform designed to promote applied urban research, knowledge sharing and peer-to-peer learning among member countries.

The proposed network will operate as a low-cost, virtual and institutionally connected platform, facilitating the exchange of practical solutions, city-level experiences and implementation strategies while strengthening cooperation among BRICS nations on urban development issues.

The forum also witnessed bilateral meetings among participating countries, including discussions involving India, Russia, Iran, China and the United Arab Emirates on the sidelines of the event.

In his valedictory address, Manohar Lal called for sustained cooperation beyond India's BRICS Chairship and urged member nations to carry forward the spirit of collaboration through continued institutional engagement and city-to-city partnerships.

The outcomes of the forum are expected to contribute to a shared roadmap for building cities that are more inclusive, sustainable, resilient and effectively governed across BRICS nations.

<https://globalgovernancenews.com/brics-adopts-declaration-on-inclusive-urban-futures/>



## **BRICS Urban Forum Adopts Declaration: Inclusive, Resilient Cities**

BRICS Urbanisation Forum adopts a declaration for inclusive, sustainable, and resilient cities. Member nations commit to urban development and knowledge sharing.

New Delhi, Jun 12 (PTI) The two-day BRICS Urbanisation Forum concluded on Friday with the adoption of the 'Urban Ministerial Declaration', which highlights key priorities shared by member nations and reaffirms commitment to advancing people-centred urban development.

Addressing a press conference, Union Housing and Urban Affairs Minister Manohar Lal said that the member nations welcomed India's proposal for the establishment of a BRICS Urban Research and Knowledge Network.

This network will be a chair-led, institutionally connected knowledge mechanism for applied urban research, knowledge sharing and peer-to-peer learning.

Hosted by the Union Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA) under India's BRICS Chairship, the forum was attended by ministers, senior government officials and urban practitioners from Brazil, Russia, Indonesia, India, China, South Africa, Egypt, Ethiopia, Iran and the United Arab Emirates.

The 'Urban Ministerial Declaration' emphasises the importance of creating inclusive, sustainable, resilient and liveable cities that ensure equitable access to urban services, particularly for marginalised groups.

Lal said the member nations also recognised the need for stronger local authorities and organisations, and the growing role of digital innovation in improving governance, planning and citizen-centred services.

According to the MoHUA, the declaration also emphasised the importance of promoting environmentally sustainable and climate-resilient urban development.

The ministry said that the forum concluded with a shared understanding that the future of BRICS cooperation will be shaped in significant measure by how member countries work together to build cities that are inclusive, resilient, sustainable and prepared for the future.

The forum focused on the theme -- 'Cities for People: BRICS Cooperation for Inclusive and Resilient Urban Futures'.

The two-day discussions showed that BRICS countries are experimenting with different models, but are often responding to similar pressures -- rapid urban growth, infrastructure deficits, fiscal constraints, climate risks, and the need to make cities more liveable and equitable.

<https://money.rediff.com/news/market/brics-urban-forum-adopts-declaration-inclusive-resilient-cities/48748020260612>

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## **13th BRICS Urbanisation Forum Adopts Declaration for Inclusive and Resilient Cities, India Proposes New Urban Knowledge Network**

- **BRICS nations endorse a shared vision for people-centric urban development as India unveils a proposal for a BRICS Urban Research and Knowledge Network to strengthen global urban cooperation**

**New Delhi:** The 13th BRICS Urbanisation Forum concluded in New Delhi with member nations adopting a Ministerial Declaration focused on building inclusive, resilient and people-centred cities. Hosted by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs under India's BRICS Chairship for 2026, the two-day event brought together ministers, policymakers and urban experts from BRICS countries to discuss strategies for creating sustainable urban futures.

Held at Sushma Swaraj Bhavan, the Forum revolved around the theme "Cities for People: BRICS Cooperation for Inclusive and Resilient Urban Futures." The event highlighted the growing importance of cities in addressing challenges related to climate change, infrastructure, social inclusion and economic development.

Union Minister for Housing and Urban Affairs Shri Manohar Lal, who inaugurated the Forum, emphasized that urban development must remain central to global growth discussions. He underlined the significance of inclusive development, climate-resilient infrastructure, institutional strengthening and digital innovation in shaping modern cities.



During the inaugural session, the Minister released a publication titled \*India's Urban Transformation: Stories of Change\*, showcasing successful urban development initiatives undertaken by various states and Union Territories. Delegates from BRICS nations also shared their national experiences and future priorities through country statements during a high-level plenary session.

As part of the programme, international delegates visited several landmark urban projects in and around New Delhi, including the New Parliament Complex and the India Gate-Kartavya Path precinct, providing an opportunity to witness India's urban transformation efforts firsthand.

The second day featured discussions on urban inclusion, resilience, governance and innovation. Representatives from BRICS countries exchanged ideas on improving access to housing, mobility, public services and livelihoods, particularly for vulnerable communities.



Speaking during one of the sessions, Secretary, Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs, Shri Srinivas Katikithala highlighted the need for efficient and equitable use of resources to improve the quality of urban life. Discussions also focused on integrating climate resilience and disaster preparedness into city planning.

Another key session examined the role of stronger institutions and scalable innovations in improving urban governance. Additional Secretary, Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs, Smt D. Thara stressed that lasting urban progress depends on institutions capable of implementing successful innovations on a larger scale.

A major outcome of the Forum was the adoption of the Ministerial Declaration, which reaffirms the commitment of BRICS nations to creating cities that are inclusive, sustainable, resilient and liveable. The declaration calls for equitable access to urban services and greater attention to the needs of marginalised communities.

The Forum also unveiled a compilation of successful urban initiatives from BRICS countries under the title \*Cities for People: Urban Stories from BRICS Nations\*. The publication highlights practical solutions and development models that can inspire future urban policies across member nations.

One of the most significant announcements during the Forum was India's proposal to establish the \*\*BRICS Urban Research and Knowledge Network\*\*. The proposal received support from participating nations and is expected to create a platform for applied research, knowledge exchange and peer learning among urban institutions across BRICS countries.

The proposed network aims to bridge the gap between policy formulation and on-ground implementation by facilitating the exchange of practical urban solutions, city-level experiences and operational insights. Designed as a flexible and cost-effective virtual platform, it will operate under the leadership of the BRICS Chair country each year.

In his closing remarks, Union Minister Shri Manohar Lal described the Forum as an important platform for collaborative learning and practical cooperation. He urged member nations to continue strengthening urban partnerships and institutional engagement beyond India's BRICS Chairship.

The outcomes of the 13th BRICS Urbanisation Forum are expected to contribute to a shared roadmap that will help BRICS nations build cities that are more inclusive, resilient, sustainable and better governed in the years ahead

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## Planning of cities should be for the people: Minister

**Express News Service**

*New Delhi, June 12*

THE BRICS Urbanisation Forum concluded in Delhi on Friday, with the adoption of a declaration on inclusive, sustainable and liveable cities, Housing and Urban Affairs Minister Manohar Lal said.

Addressing a press conference, the Minister said the BRICS countries had accepted India's proposal to set up a BRICS Urban Research and Knowledge Network.

Speaking about the deliberations, he said: "Urban development cannot be limited to just infrastructure, but it starts with our people. The planning of cities should be for the people."

Lal said the member nations also recognised the need for stronger local authorities and organisations, and the growing role of digital innovation in improving governance, planning and citizen-centred services.

While this was the fourth BRICS Urbanisation Forum hosted by India, it was the first time that the participants were ministerial-level dignitaries.



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# ‘City planning should be for people’

*New Delhi:* The BRICS Urbanisation Forum concluded in Delhi on Friday, with the adoption of a declaration on inclusive, sustainable and liveable cities, Housing and Urban Affairs Minister Manohar Lal said.

Speaking about the deliberations, Lal told mediapersons: “Urban development cannot be limited to just infrastructure, but it starts with our people. The planning of cities should be for the people.” ENS



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# BRICS backs people-centric, inclusive urban development

The BRICS nations on Friday adopted a declaration on inclusive, resilient and people-centred urban development. The Ministerial declaration adopted on the concluding day of the 13<sup>th</sup> BRICS Urbanisation Forum in the national capital, highlights key priorities shared by member nations and reaffirms commitment to advancing people-centred urban development. It emphasises the importance of creating inclusive, sustainable, resilient and liveable cities that ensure equitable access to urban services, particularly for marginalised groups, according to an official statement of the Union Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs.

# BRICS nations back inclusive & resilient urban development

*13th Urbanisation Forum concludes*



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**NEW DELHI:** The 13th BRICS Urbanisation Forum concluded in New Delhi with the adoption of a Ministerial Declaration reaffirming the bloc's commitment to inclusive, resilient and people-centric urban development.

Hosted by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs under India's BRICS chairship in 2026, the two-day forum brought together ministers, senior government officials, urban planners and experts from BRICS member countries. The event was organised around the theme, "Cities for People: BRICS Cooperation for Inclusive and Resilient Urban Futures." Union Minister for Housing and Urban Affairs Manohar Lal inaugurated the forum, highlighting the importance of strengthening cooperation among BRICS nations to address common urban challenges. Discussions focused on key areas such as inclusive growth, climate-resilient cities, institutional capacity building, sustainable urban governance and the use of digital technologies to improve urban living.

The forum marked the fourth time India hosted the BRICS Urbanisation Forum.

During the inaugural session, Manohar Lal released a publication titled "India's Urban Transformation: Sto-

ries of Change." The book showcases successful urban development initiatives from various States and Union Territories, highlighting achievements across the forum's four priority areas. The publication presents case studies documenting transformative changes in urban governance, infrastructure and service delivery. Senior-level deliberations featured presentations by participating countries on their urban development experiences, policy innovations and future strategies. Delegates also visited key urban infrastructure projects in the national capital, including the new Parliament building and the redeveloped Kartavya Path precinct. On the sidelines of the forum, several bilateral meetings were held among participating nations, including discussions between India and Russia, India and Iran, as well as interactions involving delegates from Iran, China, Russia and the UAE.

A key outcome of the forum was the endorsement of India's proposal to establish the "BRICS Urban Research and Knowledge Network." The proposed platform aims to facilitate research collaboration, knowledge-sharing and capacity-building among member countries, fostering cooperation on sustainable urban development.



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India's Urban Vision from BRICS

## BRICS से भारत का शहरी विजन

■ **NBT रिपोर्ट, नई दिल्ली:**  
क्या भविष्य में शहर लोगों की जरूरतों के हिसाब से डिजाइन होंगे? जलवायु संकट, भीड़भाड़ और 'अर्बन रूरल' गैप जैसी चुनौतियों का समाधान BRICS देशों के साझा अनुभवों से निकलेगा? ऐसे ही मुद्दों के बीच 13वां BRICS Urbanisation Forum शुक्रवार को संपन्न हुआ। केंद्रीय मंत्री मनोहर लाल खट्टर ने बताया कि इसमें भविष्य के शहरों को अधिक समावेशी, टिकाऊ, सुरक्षित और रहने योग्य बनाने पर जोर दिया गया।

Digital innovations for urban development to be shared among member nations:  
Manohar Lal

# सदस्य राष्ट्रों के बीच शहरी विकास के लिए डिजिटल नवाचार साझा किए जाएंगे : मनोहर लाल

नई दिल्ली, (पंजाबकेसरी) : समावेशी और लचीले शहरी भविष्य के घोषणा-पत्र को अपनाने के साथ 13वें ब्रिक्स शहरीकरण

**ब्रिक्स शहरीकरण  
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सफल समापन  
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केंद्रित शहरों के लिए  
मंत्री स्तरीय घोषणा-  
पत्र अपनाया गया**

फोरम का नई दिल्ली में सफलतापूर्वक समापन हुआ। आवास और शहरी मामलों के मंत्रालय द्वारा आयोजित इस दो

दिवसीय मंच में 11 ब्रिक्स सदस्य देशों के मंत्री और प्रतिनिधि शामिल हुए। केंद्रीय आवासन एवं शहरी कार्य मंत्री मनोहर लाल खट्टर ने 13वें ब्रिक्स शहरीकरण मंच 2026 के समापन सत्र को संबोधित करते हुए लोगों-केंद्रित, समावेशी, लचीले और सतत शहरी विकास को आगे बढ़ाने के लिए ब्रिक्स देशों के बीच सहयोग को और मजबूत करने की आवश्यकता पर बल दिया। नई दिल्ली में आयोजित इस मंच के दौरान पहली बार ब्रिक्स शहरी मंत्रिस्तरीय घोषणा (ब्रिक्स अर्बन मिनिस्ट्रीयल डिक्लरेशन) को अपनाया गया।



केंद्रीय मंत्री मनोहर लाल ने कहा कि भारत की ब्रिक्स अध्यक्षता के दौरान यह फोरम शहरी एजेंडे को वैश्विक विकास चर्चा के केंद्र में लाने का अवसर है। उन्होंने कहा कि समावेशी शहरी विकास, जलवायु और आपदा-प्रतिरोधी बुनियादी ढांचा, संस्थागत मजबूती तथा डिजिटल नवाचार भारत की विकास यात्रा के प्रमुख स्तंभ हैं।

समापन के बाद आयोजित प्रेस वार्ता में मनोहर लाल ने कहा कि तेजी से हो रहे शहरीकरण की चुनौतियों से निपटने के लिए सदस्य देशों के बीच अनुभवों और नवाचारों का आदान-प्रदान बेहद महत्वपूर्ण है। उन्होंने

कहा कि शहरों का विकास लोगों की जरूरतों को केंद्र में रखकर किया जाना चाहिए, ताकि सभी वर्गों के लिए बेहतर और सुरक्षित शहरी जीवन सुनिश्चित हो सके।

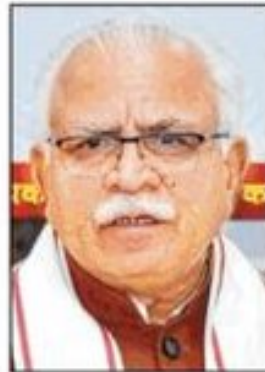
इस दो दिवसीय मंच में ब्रिक्स सदस्य देशों और साझेदार देशों के प्रतिनिधियों ने भाग लिया तथा शहरी विकास से जुड़े अपने राष्ट्रीय अनुभवों और सर्वोत्तम प्रथाओं को साझा किया। उन्होंने पत्रकारों के सवालों के जवाब में कहा कि सदस्य राष्ट्रों के बीच शहरी विकास के लिए डिजिटल नवाचार साझा किए जाएंगे। इसके लिए रूस से मिले सुझाव पर विचार किया जाएगा।

Research Network Forum will tackle urban challenges: Manohar Lal

# अर्बन चुनौतियों से निपटेगा रिसर्च नेटवर्क फोरम : मनोहर लाल

नई दिल्ली, 12 जून, (निशांत राघव/नवोदय टाइम्स): 13वें ब्रिक्स शहरीकरण फोरम में केंद्रीय आवास एवं शहरी मामला मंत्री मनोहर लाल खट्टर ने ब्रिक्स अर्बनाइजेशन फोरम संपन्न होने पर कहा कि इस सम्मेलन में वैश्विक स्तर पर पेश आने वाली शहरी दिक्कतों और चुनौतियों पर चर्चा हुई। उन्होंने बताया कि जल्द ही अर्बन चुनौतियों से निटपने के लिए रिसर्च नॉलेज शेयर नेटवर्क तैयार किया जाएगा।

सम्मेलन में शहरी और ग्रामीण इलाकों समेत पर्यावरण, किफायती आवास जैसे मुद्दों पर खासी चर्चा हुई। साथ ही डिजिटल माध्यम से दिक्कतों को दूर करने में अपनाए गए



कारगर उपायों पर भी मंथन किया गया। उल्लेखनीय है कि इस फोरम का मुख्य विषय 'लोगों के लिए

शहर: समावेशी और लचीले शहरी भविष्य के लिए ब्रिक्स सहयोग' रखा गया। मनोहर लाल ने कहा कि यह कार्यक्रम वैश्विक विकास चर्चाओं में शहरी विकास एजेंडे को और मजबूती से शामिल करने

का मंच है। फोरम में ब्राजील, रूस, इंडोनेशिया, भारत, दक्षिण अफ्रीका, चीन, मिस्र, इथियोपिया, ईरान और संयुक्त अरब अमीरात के प्रतिनिधि शामिल रहे। साथ ही मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री तोखन साहू, सचिव श्रीनिवास कटिकिथला व ज्वाइंट सेक्रेटरी रूपा मिश्रा मौजूद रहे।

BRICS Urban Research and Knowledge Network to be formed, discussion on linking climate change and disaster management with urban planning, agreement on inclusive and resilient cities in BRICS Urbanization Forum

## ब्रिक्स अर्बन रिसर्च एंड नॉलेज नेटवर्क बनेगा, जलवायु परिवर्तन और आपदा प्रबंधन को शहरी नियोजन से जोड़ने पर चर्चा ब्रिक्स शहरीकरण फोरम में समावेशी और लचीले शहरों पर सहमति

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नई दिल्ली, भारत की अग्र्यता में आयोजित 13वें ब्रिक्स शहरीकरण फोरम का शुरुआत को समापन समावेशी, लचीले और जन-केंद्रित शहरी विकास पर आधारित मंत्रिस्तरीय घोषणा-पत्र को अपनाने के साथ हुआ। दो दिवसीय इस फोरम में ब्रिक्स देशों के मंत्रियों, वरिष्ठ अधिकारियों और शहरी विकास विशेषज्ञों ने भविष्य के शहरों को अधिक समावेशी, टिकाऊ और नागरिकों की आवश्यकताओं के अनुरूप बनाने पर व्यापक विचार-विमर्श किया।

आवास एवं शहरी कार्य मंत्रालय द्वारा आयोजित इस फोरम का विषय "सिटीज फॉर पीपल : ब्रिक्स कोऑपरेशन फॉर इन्क्लूसिव एंड रेजिलिएंट अर्बन फ्यूचर्स" था।



केंद्रीय आवास एवं शहरी कार्य मंत्री मनोहर लाल और अन्य।

केंद्रीय आवास एवं शहरी कार्य मंत्री मनोहर लाल ने कहा कि शहरी एजेंडा को वैश्विक विकास विमर्श के केंद्र में लाने का यह महत्वपूर्ण अवसर है। उन्होंने समावेशी विकास, जलवायु एवं आपदा-प्रतिरोधी अवसर-चना, मजबूत संस्थागत ढांचे और डिजिटल नवाचार को भारत की

शहरी विकास नीति के प्रमुख आधार बताया।

दूसरे दिन आयोजित उच्चस्तरीय पैनल चर्चाओं में समान और लचीले शहरों के निर्माण, कमजोर वर्गों के लिए आवास, परिवहन, बुनियादी सेवाओं और सार्वजनिक स्थलों तक पहुंच सुनिश्चित करने पर जोर दिया

### प्रमुख निर्णय

■ समावेशी एवं लचीले शहरी विकास पर मंत्रीस्तरीय घोषणा-पत्र अपनाया गया।

■ वंचित समुदायों के लिए शहरी सेवाओं तक समान पहुंच पर जोर।

■ जलवायु अनुकूल और आपदा-प्रतिरोधी शहरों के निर्माण पर सहमति।

■ शहरी संस्थाओं की क्षमता

बढ़ाने और डिजिटल नवाचार को बढ़ावा देने पर बल।

■ भारत के प्रस्तावित ब्रिक्स अर्बन रिसर्च एंड नॉलेज नेटवर्क का सदस्य देशों ने स्वागत किया।

■ ब्रिक्स देशों की सफल शहरी पहलों पर आधारित प्रकाशन और 'अर्बन स्टोरीज' संकलन जारी किया गया।

समान पहुंच सुनिश्चित करने पर बल दिया गया।

फोरम की एक प्रमुख उपलब्धि भारत द्वारा प्रस्तावित 'ब्रिक्स अर्बन रिसर्च एंड नॉलेज नेटवर्क' रही, जिसका सभी सदस्य देशों ने स्वागत किया। यह मंच शहरी विकास से जुड़े अनुसंधान, ज्ञान-साझाकरण और एक-दूसरे के अनुभवों से सीखने की प्रक्रिया को संस्थागत रूप देगा।

समापन अवसर पर केंद्रीय मंत्री मनोहर लाल ने कहा कि नई दिल्ली में हुई चर्चाओं को केवल संवाद तक सीमित न रखकर शहरों के बीच सहयोग और संस्थागत साझेदारी के माध्यम से आगे बढ़ाया जाना चाहिए। उन्होंने विश्वास व्यक्त किया कि फोरम के निष्कर्ष ब्रिक्स देशों को अधिक समावेशी, लचीले, टिकाऊ और मूशासित शहरों के निर्माण की सझा दिशा प्रदान करेंगे।

गया। साथ ही जलवायु परिवर्तन और आपदा प्रबंधन को शहरी नियोजन से जोड़ने की आवश्यकता पर भी चर्चा हुई।

दूसरे सत्र में शहरी संस्थाओं को मजबूत बनाने, नगर निकायों की क्षमता बढ़ाने तथा तकनीक और डेटा के बेहतर उपयोग के माध्यम से सेवा

वितरण सुधारने पर विचार हुआ।

समापन सत्र में अपनाए गए घोषणा-पत्र में समावेशी, टिकाऊ, सुरक्षित और रहने योग्य शहरों के निर्माण के लिए सझा प्रतिबद्धता दोहराई गई। इसमें विशेष रूप से वंचित और हाशिए पर रहने वाले समुदायों के लिए शहरी सेवाओं तक

Union Minister of State Tokhan Sahu Participated in the 13th BRICS Urbanization Forum; Important Discussion on Giving New Direction to Urban Development Cooperation with Russia

केंद्रीय राज्य मंत्री तोखन साहू ने 13वें ब्रिक्स शहरीकरण फोरम में हुए शामिल

# रूस के साथ शहरी विकास सहयोग को नई दिशा देने पर महत्वपूर्ण चर्चा

बिलासपुर/नवप्रदेश। केंद्रीय आवासन एवं शहरी कार्य राज्य मंत्री तोखन साहू ने नई दिल्ली स्थित सुषमा स्वराज भवन में आयोजित 13वें ब्रिक्स शहरीकरण फोरम के उद्घाटन सत्र में केंद्रीय आवासन एवं शहरी कार्य तथा विद्युत मंत्री मनोहर लाल खट्टर की उपस्थिति में सहभागिता की।

भारत की ब्रिक्स अध्यक्षता 2026 के अंतर्गत आयोजित इस महत्वपूर्ण मंत्रीस्तरीय मंच का विषय 'लोगों के लिए शहर समावेशी और लचीले शहरी भविष्य के लिए ब्रिक्स सहयोग' रखा गया है। फोरम में ब्राजील, रूस, चीन, दक्षिण अफ्रीका, मिस्र, इथियोपिया, इंडोनेशिया, ईरान, सऊदी अरब और संयुक्त अरब अमीरात सहित ब्रिक्स देशों के मंत्री, वरिष्ठ अधिकारी, शहरी विकास विशेषज्ञ एवं नीति निर्माता शामिल हुए। इस अवसर पर भारत की शहरी कहानियाँ प्रकाशन का विमोचन भी किया गया, जिसमें देशभर में संचालित अभिनव एवं परिवर्तनकारी शहरी विकास पहलों को प्रदर्शित किया गया है। उन्होंने कहा कि तीव्र शहरीकरण, बहु-स्तरीय प्रशासनिक



## भारत-रूस द्विपक्षीय बैठक में शहरी विकास सहयोग पर जोर

फोरम के अवसर पर भारत और रूस के मध्य द्विपक्षीय बैठक आयोजित हुई, जिसकी सह-अध्यक्षता केंद्रीय राज्य मंत्री तोखन साहू एवं रूस संघ के निर्माण, आवास एवं उपयोगिता विभाग के उप मंत्री यूरी मुत्सेनेक ने की। बैठक में दोनों देशों के बीच शहरी विकास, आवास, आधुनिक निर्माण तकनीक, बहु-माध्यमीय परिवहन, एकीकृत गतिशीलता समाधान, ठोस अपशिष्ट प्रबंधन, सर्कुलर इकोनॉमी, अपशिष्ट से ऊर्जा उत्पादन तथा डिजिटल शहरी

समन्वय तथा विरासत संरक्षण जैसी चुनौतियाँ दोनों देशों के लिए समान हैं और इनके समाधान हेतु अनुभवों का आदान-प्रदान अत्यंत महत्वपूर्ण है। श्री साहू ने भारत में तेजी से हो रहे शहरी

प्रशासन जैसे विषयों पर सहयोग बढ़ाने के विभिन्न आयामों पर चर्चा की गई। श्री साहू ने कहा कि भारत और रूस के संबंध परस्पर विश्वास, रणनीतिक साझेदारी एवं जन-जन के बीच मजबूत संबंधों पर आधारित हैं। उन्होंने कहा कि दोनों देशों का सहयोग अब पारंपरिक क्षेत्रों से आगे बढ़कर आवास, शहरी अवसंरचना, परिवहन प्रणाली एवं डिजिटल गवर्नेंस के माध्यम से नागरिकों के जीवन की गुणवत्ता को प्रत्यक्ष रूप से प्रभावित कर रहा है।

परिवर्तन का उल्लेख करते हुए कहा कि वर्ष 2047 तक लगभग 85 करोड़ भारतीय शहरी क्षेत्रों में निवास करेंगे, जिससे शहरी विकास भारत की विकास यात्रा का प्रमुख आधार बनेगा।

## ब्रिक्स प्रतिनिधिमंडल के साथ संसद भवन व भारत की लोकतांत्रिक विरासत का अवलोकन

फोरम के अंतर्गत तोखन साहू ने ब्रिक्स देशों के मंत्रियों एवं प्रतिनिधियों के साथ संसद भवन, संविधान सदन एवं कर्तव्य पथ स्थित इंडिया गेट का भ्रमण भी किया। इस दौरान प्रतिनिधियों को भारत की लोकतांत्रिक परंपराओं, संसदीय विरासत एवं संवैधानिक मूल्यों से परिचित कराया गया। इस अवसर पर श्री साहू ने कहा कि यह अनुभव 'वसुधैव कुटुम्बकम्' की भावना को और सुदृढ़ करता है। प्रधानमंत्री नरेंद्र मोदी के नेतृत्व में भारत लोकतंत्र, विकास और सुशासन का वैश्विक उदाहरण बनकर

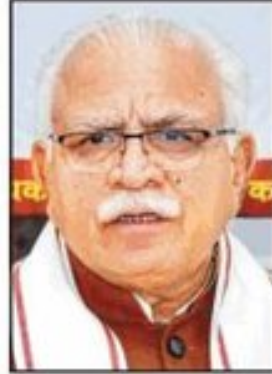
उभरा है। दिन का समापन भारत की समृद्ध सांस्कृतिक विरासत को प्रदर्शित करने वाले भव्य सांस्कृतिक कार्यक्रम के साथ हुआ। तोखन साहू ने विश्वास व्यक्त किया कि ब्रिक्स देशों के बीच संवाद, अनुभवों के आदान-प्रदान एवं सहयोगात्मक प्रयासों से सतत, समावेशी और लचीले शहरी विकास के साझा लक्ष्य को प्राप्त करने में महत्वपूर्ण सफलता मिलेगी तथा भविष्य की पीढ़ियों के लिए बेहतर, सुरक्षित और नागरिक-केंद्रित शहरों का निर्माण सुनिश्चित होगा।

Research Network Forum will tackle urban challenges: Manohar Lal

# अर्बन चुनौतियों से निपटेगा रिसर्च नेटवर्क फोरम : मनोहर लाल

नई दिल्ली, 12 जून, (निशांत राघव/नवोदय टाइम्स): 13वें ब्रिक्स शहरीकरण फोरम में केंद्रीय आवास एवं शहरी मामला मंत्री मनोहर लाल खट्टर ने ब्रिक्स अर्बनाइजेशन फोरम संपन्न होने पर कहा कि इस सम्मेलन में वैश्विक स्तर पर पेश आने वाली शहरी दिक्कतों और चुनौतियों पर चर्चा हुई। उन्होंने बताया कि जल्द ही अर्बन चुनौतियों से निटपने के लिए रिसर्च नॉलेज शेयर नेटवर्क तैयार किया जाएगा।

सम्मेलन में शहरी और ग्रामीण इलाकों समेत पर्यावरण, किफायती आवास जैसे मुद्दों पर खासी चर्चा हुई। साथ ही डिजिटल माध्यम से दिक्कतों को दूर करने में अपनाए गए



कारगर उपायों पर भी मंथन किया गया। उल्लेखनीय है कि इस फोरम का मुख्य विषय 'लोगों के लिए

शहर: समावेशी और लचीले शहरी भविष्य के लिए ब्रिक्स सहयोग' रखा गया। मनोहर लाल ने कहा कि यह कार्यक्रम वैश्विक विकास चर्चाओं में शहरी विकास एजेंडे को और मजबूती से शामिल करने

का मंच है। फोरम में ब्राजील, रूस, इंडोनेशिया, भारत, दक्षिण अफ्रीका, चीन, मिस्र, इथियोपिया, ईरान और संयुक्त अरब अमीरात के प्रतिनिधि शामिल रहे। साथ ही मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री तोखन साहू, सचिव श्रीनिवास कटिकिथला व ज्वाइंट सेक्रेटरी रूपा मिश्रा मौजूद रहे।

BRICS Group Saw the Grandeur of Mandu: Guests Said 'This is Real World Architecture'; Municipal Corporation Built BRICS Garden in Meghdoot Garden

# ब्रिक्स समूह ने देखा मांडू का वैभव: मेहमान बोले 'दिस इस रियल वर्ल्ड आर्किटेक्चर'

अगवानी ● शिवराज सिंह चौहान ने कहा- 'नमस्ते ब्रिक्स, मांडू में आपका स्वागत है'



कपिल पाखरि ● नईदुनिया

मांडू (धार): जहाज महल की नक्काशीदार जालियां और हिंडोला महल की झूलती दीवारें देखकर ब्रिक्स देशों के मेहमानों ने कहा, 'वाह! अल्टीमेट। दिस इस रियल वर्ल्ड आर्किटेक्चर'। शुक्रवार को ऐतिहासिक पर्यटन नगरी मांडू पहुंचे 188 डेलीगेट्स ने यहां की स्थापत्य कला और मेहमाननवाजी का अनुभव किया। शाम को मांडू पहुंचते ही भगोरिया नृत्य दल ने मांदल की थाप पर मेहमानों का पारंपरिक स्वागत किया। प्रतिनिधियों ने धार जिले की प्रसिद्ध बाग प्रिंट कला को नजदीक से समझा। दक्षिण अफ्रीका की एक महिला प्रतिनिधि ने कहा, 'यह सिर्फ कपड़ा नहीं, आपकी सदियों की मेहनत है।' केंद्रीय कृषि मंत्री शिवराज सिंह चौहान, केंद्रीय राज्य मंत्री सावित्री ठाकुर, धार विधायक नीना वर्मा आदि उपस्थित थे।



मांडू के तवेली महल से जहाज महल और आसपास के प्राकृतिक दृश्यों का मनोरम नजारा देखते हुए ब्रिक्स देशों के प्रतिनिधि। ● नईदुनिया

डील करने आए थे, मांडू ने हमें परिवार बना दिया ब्रिक्स का मांडू दौरा पूरी तरह सफल रहा। जाते-जाते ब्राजील के एक प्रतिनिधि ने कहा, "हम डील करने आए थे, पर मांडू ने हमें परिवार बना दिया।" प्रशासन की तैयारी, कलाकारों की प्रस्तुति और स्थानीय लोगों के आतिथ्य ने साबित कर दिया कि मांडू सिर्फ विरासत नहीं, बल्कि सत्कार की जीवंत परंपरा है।

## नगर निगम ने मेघदूत गार्डन में बनाई ब्रिक्स वाटिका

नगर निगम द्वारा मेघदूत गार्डन के एक हिस्से में ब्रिक्स वाटिका बनाई है। इसमें एक टीले पर ब्रिक्स इंडिया पत्थरों से उकेरा है। ब्रिक्स का मोनो भी लगाया है। यहां पर शनिवार सुबह 8.30 बजे ब्रिक्स समूह देशों के मंत्री व प्रतिनिधि के साथ केंद्रीय कृषि मंत्री शिवराज सिंह चौहान सहित अन्य सदस्य 25 पौधे लगाएंगे। इनमें आम, अमरुद, जामुन, संतरा, मौसंबी, चीकू, करोंदा, वाटर एप्पल जैसे फलदार पौधे शामिल हैं। ये हाईब्रिड पौधे हैं, जिनमें फल भी लगे हुए हैं। इस गार्डन में एक बोनसाई बरगद, पीपल व बिल्व पत्र, आंवला व हरसिंगार के पौधे लगाए जाएंगे।



ब्रिक्स समूह देशों के प्रतिनिधि मेघदूत गार्डन में शनिवार को पौधारोपण करेंगे। ● नईदुनिया

BRICS countries adopted 'New Delhi Declaration', agreement reached on building inclusive and strong cities

## ब्रिक्स देशों ने अपनाया 'न्यू दिल्ली घोषणा पत्र', समावेशी और मजबूत शहरों के निर्माण पर बनी सहमति

नई दिल्ली, समाचार जगत ब्यूरो. भारत की अध्यक्षता में आयोजित 13वें ब्रिक्स अर्बनाइजेशन फोरम का गुरुवार को नई दिल्ली स्थित सुषमा स्वराज भवन में समापन हो गया। दो दिवसीय सम्मेलन के अंत में ब्रिक्स सदस्य देशों ने समावेशी, लचीले और जन-केंद्रित शहरी विकास को बढ़ावा देने के लिए एक साझा मंत्रीस्तरीय घोषणा पत्र (मिनिस्ट्रियल डिक्लेरेशन) को अपनाया। 'लोगों के लिए शहर: समावेशी और लचीले शहरी भविष्य हेतु ब्रिक्स सहयोग' विषय पर आयोजित इस फोरम में ब्रिक्स देशों के मंत्री, वरिष्ठ अधिकारी और शहरी विकास विशेषज्ञ शामिल हुए। केंद्रीय आवासन एवं शहरी कार्य मंत्री मनोहर लाल ने उद्घाटन सत्र में कहा कि तेजी से बढ़ते शहरीकरण के



बीच समावेशी विकास, जलवायु एवं आपदा-रोधी बुनियादी ढांचे, मजबूत संस्थानों और डिजिटल नवाचारों को प्राथमिकता देना समय की आवश्यकता है। फोरम के दौरान सदस्य देशों ने आवास, सार्वजनिक परिवहन, रोजगार, बुनियादी सेवाओं और सार्वजनिक स्थानों तक समान पहुंच सुनिश्चित करने के उपायों पर चर्चा की। साथ ही जलवायु परिवर्तन और आपदा प्रबंधन के मद्देनजर शहरों

को अधिक सुरक्षित और सक्षम बनाने पर भी विचार-विमर्श हुआ। सम्मेलन में 'इंडियाज़ अर्बन ट्रांसफॉर्मेशन: स्टोरीज़ ऑफ़ चेंज' तथा 'सिटीज़ फॉर पीपल: अर्बन स्टोरीज़ फ्रॉम ब्रिक्स नेशंस' नामक प्रकाशनों का भी विमोचन किया गया। इसके अलावा भारत ने 'ब्रिक्स अर्बन रिसर्च एंड नॉलेज नेटवर्क' की स्थापना का प्रस्ताव रखा, जिसका सभी सदस्य देशों ने स्वागत किया। समापन सत्र में

केंद्रीय मंत्री मनोहर लाल ने कहा कि नई दिल्ली में हुई चर्चाओं को केवल दस्तावेजों तक सीमित नहीं रखा जाएगा, बल्कि शहरों के बीच सहयोग, अनुभवों के आदान-प्रदान और संस्थागत साझेदारी के माध्यम से आगे बढ़ाया जाएगा। फोरम के निष्कर्ष ब्रिक्स देशों के लिए समावेशी, टिकाऊ, सुरक्षित और सुशासित शहरों के निर्माण का साझा रोडमैप तैयार करने में महत्वपूर्ण भूमिका निभाएंगे।

## ब्रिक्स ने लोगों पर केंद्रित शहरी विकास को आगे बढ़ाने की प्रतिबद्धता जताई

ब्रिक्स ने लोगों पर केंद्रित शहरी विकास को आगे बढ़ाने की प्रतिबद्धता जताई-----13वां ब्रिक्स शहरीकरण फोरम में समावेशी और लचीले शहरी भविष्य पर घोषणापत्र के साथ...

### समावेशी और लचीले शहरी भविष्य का घोषणापत्र

-13वां ब्रिक्स शहरीकरण फोरम में समावेशी और लचीले शहरी भविष्य पर घोषणापत्र के साथ संपन्न

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ब्रिक्स देशों ने अपने मंत्री-स्तरीय साझा घोषणापत्र में सदस्य देशों की प्राथमिकताओं के साथ लोगों पर केंद्रित शहरी विकास को आगे बढ़ाने की प्रतिबद्धता व्यक्त की है। घोषणापत्र में ऐसे समावेशी, टिकाऊ, मजबूत और रहने योग्य शहर बनाने के महत्व पर ज़ोर दिया गया है जिसमें हाशिए पर रहने वाले समूहों के लिए भी शहरी सेवाओं का समान पहुँच सुनिश्चित करने को कहा गया है।

#### फोरम की विशेषताएँ

दिल्ली में आयोजित 13वां ब्रिक्स शहरीकरण फोरम समावेशी और लचीले शहरी भविष्य पर घोषणापत्र को अपनाने के साथ संपन्न हो गया है। फोरम में ब्रिक्स देशों के अच्छे तौर-तरीकों का एक संग्रह - लोगों के लिए शहर-ब्रिक्स देशों की शहरी कहानियाँ पेश किया गया। सम्मेलन ने ब्रिक्स अर्बन रिसर्च एंड नॉलेज नेटवर्क की स्थापना के लिए भारत के प्रस्ताव का सदस्य देशों ने स्वागत करते हुए उसे स्वीकार किया। इस दौरान कई द्विपक्षीय बैठकें भी हुईं, जिनमें भारत-रूस, भारत-ईरान, ईरान-रूस, ईरान-चीन और रूस-संयुक्त अरब अमीरात के बीच बैठकें शामिल थीं।

#### भारत की अध्यक्षता के तहत फोरम

भारत की अध्यक्षता के तहत आवास और शहरी मामलों के मंत्रालय द्वारा आयोजित, इस दो-दिवसीय फोरम में ब्रिक्स के सदस्य देशों के मंत्री, वरिष्ठ सरकारी अधिकारी और शहरी मामलों के विशेषज्ञ एक साथ आए। सम्मेलन में लोगों के लिए शहर: समावेशी और लचीले शहरी भविष्य के लिए ब्रिक्स सहयोग, विषय पर चर्चा की गई। सम्मेलन में एक उच्च-स्तरीय पूर्ण सत्र (प्लेनरी) आयोजित किया गया, जिसमें भाग लेने वाले देशों ने अपने देश के बयानों के माध्यम से शहरी भविष्य के लिए अपने राष्ट्रीय अनुभवों, प्राथमिकताओं और आकांक्षाओं को साझा किया। भारत ने चौथी बार इस फोरम की मेजबानी की; इससे पहले 2013 में नईदिल्ली, 2016 में विशाखापत्तनम और 2021 में वर्चुअल (ऑनलाइन) तरीके से इसके संस्करण आयोजित किए गए थे।

#### शहरी एजेंडे पर चर्चा

सम्मेलन में आवासन शहरी मामलों के मंत्री मनोहरलाल ने कहा कि यह फोरम शहरी एजेंडे को वैश्विक विकास की चर्चा में और मजबूती से लाने का एक अवसर था। उन्होंने भारत के शहरी विकास दृष्टिकोण के मुख्य आधारों के रूप में समावेशी शहरी विकास, जलवायु और आपदा-रोधी बुनियादी ढांचे, मजबूत संस्थानों और डिजिटल नवाचार पर प्रकाश डाला। मंत्री ने इस दौरान भारत का शहरी परिवर्तन: बदलाव की कहानियाँ नामक प्रकाशन भी जारी किया। इसमें फोरम के चार प्राथमिकता वाले क्षेत्रों में भारत के राज्यों और केंद्र शासित प्रदेशों के चर्चिता शहरी तौर-तरीकों को प्रस्तुत किया गया है।

<https://www.livehindustan.com/ncr/new-delhi/story-brics-commitment-to-people-centric-urban-development-201781279292523.amp.html>

# दिप्रिंट

## ब्रिक्स शहरीकरण मंच ने समावेशी और लचीले शहरों पर घोषणा-पत्र अपनाया

नयी दिल्ली, 12 जून (भाषा) दो दिवसीय ब्रिक्स शहरीकरण मंच शुक्रवार को समावेशी, लचीले और जन-केंद्रित शहरी विकास पर मंत्रिस्तरीय घोषणा को अपनाने के साथ संपन्न हुआ।

यह घोषणापत्र सदस्य देशों की साझा प्राथमिकताओं को रेखांकित करता है और जन-केंद्रित शहरी विकास को आगे बढ़ाने की प्रतिबद्धता को फिर से दोहराता है।

संवाददाता सम्मेलन में केंद्रीय आवास और शहरी कार्य मंत्री मनोहर लाल ने कहा कि सदस्य देशों ने ब्रिक्स शहरी अनुसंधान और ज्ञान नेटवर्क की स्थापना के भारत के प्रस्ताव का स्वागत किया।

यह नेटवर्क अध्यक्षता-आधारित और संस्थागत रूप से जुड़ा हुआ ऐसा ज्ञान तंत्र होगा, जो शहरी विकास से जुड़े व्यावहारिक अनुसंधान, ज्ञान के आदान-प्रदान और आपसी सीख को बढ़ावा देगा।

भारत की ब्रिक्स अध्यक्षता में केंद्रीय आवास और शहरी मामलों के मंत्रालय द्वारा आयोजित इस मंच में ब्राजील, रूस, इंडोनेशिया, भारत, चीन, दक्षिण अफ्रीका, मिस्र, इथियोपिया, ईरान और संयुक्त अरब अमीरात के मंत्रियों, वरिष्ठ सरकारी अधिकारियों और शहरी विशेषज्ञों ने भाग लिया।

‘अर्बन मिनिस्टीरियल डिक्लेरेशन’ में समावेशी, टिकाऊ, लचीले और रहने योग्य शहर बनाने के महत्व पर जोर दिया गया है, जो विशेष रूप से हाशिए पर रह रहे वर्गों के लिए शहरी सेवाओं तक समान पहुंच सुनिश्चित करें।

मनोहर लाल ने कहा कि सदस्य देशों ने मजबूत स्थानीय प्राधिकरणों और संगठनों की जरूरत को भी स्वीकार किया, साथ ही शासन, योजना और जन-केंद्रित सेवाओं को बेहतर बनाने में डिजिटल नवाचार की बढ़ती भूमिका को भी माना।

मंत्रालय के अनुसार घोषणापत्र में पर्यावरणीय दृष्टि से टिकाऊ और जलवायु-लचीले शहरी विकास को बढ़ावा देने के महत्व पर भी जोर दिया गया।

<https://hindi.theprint.in/india/brics-urbanization-forum-adopts-declaration-on-inclusive-and-resilient-cities/985588/?amp>

## ब्रिक्स देशों ने 'शहरी अनुसंधान और ज्ञान नेटवर्क' स्थापित करने के भारत के प्रस्ताव का स्वागत किया

नयी दिल्ली, 12 जून (वार्ता) आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्री मनोहर लाल ने शुक्रवार को ब्रिक्स सदस्य देशों के बीच साझा ज्ञानवर्धन और व्यावहारिक सहयोग के मंच के रूप में ब्रिक्स शहरीकरण फोरम के महत्व पर विशेष बल दिया। वह 13वें ब्रिक्स शहरीकरण फोरम के कार्यक्रम के समापन पर आयोजित एक कार्यक्रम को संबोधित कर रहे थे। उन्होंने महत्वपूर्ण चर्चाओं को निरंतर संस्थागत सहभागिता, शहरों के बीच आदान-प्रदान और निरंतर सहयोग के माध्यम से आगे बढ़ाने का आह्वान किया।

**विस्तृत समाचार के लिए हमारी सेवाएं लें।**

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# पंजाब कैसरी



**BRICS Urbanization Forum :** समावेशी और लचीले शहरी भविष्य के घोषणा-पत्र को अपनाने के साथ 13वें BRICS शहरीकरण फोरम का नई दिल्ली में सफलतापूर्वक समापन हुआ। आवास और शहरी मामलों के मंत्रालय द्वारा आयोजित इस दो दिवसीय मंच में 11 BRICS सदस्य देशों के मंत्री और प्रतिनिधि शामिल हुए।

केंद्रीय आवासन एवं शहरी कार्य मंत्री मनोहर लाल खट्टर ने 13वें BRICS Urbanization Forum 2026 के समापन सत्र को संबोधित करते हुए लोगों-केंद्रित, समावेशी, लचीले और सतत शहरी विकास को आगे बढ़ाने के लिए ब्रिक्स देशों के बीच सहयोग को और मजबूत करने की आवश्यकता पर बल दिया।

नई दिल्ली में आयोजित इस मंच के दौरान पहली बार BRICS शहरी मंत्रिस्तरीय घोषणा (ब्रिक्स अर्बन मिनिस्ट्रीयल डिकलरेशन) को अपनाया गया। केंद्रीय मंत्री मनोहर लाल ने कहा कि भारत की ब्रिक्स अध्यक्षता के दौरान यह फोरम शहरी एजेंडे को वैश्विक विकास चर्चा के केंद्र में लाने का अवसर है। उन्होंने कहा कि समावेशी शहरी विकास, जलवायु और आपदा-प्रतिरोधी बुनियादी ढांचा, संस्थागत मजबूती तथा डिजिटल नवाचार भारत की विकास यात्रा के प्रमुख स्तंभ हैं।

## अनुभवों और नवाचारों का आदान-प्रदान बेहद महत्वपूर्ण: मनोहर लाल

समापन के बाद आयोजित प्रेस वार्ता में मनोहर लाल ने कहा कि तेजी से हो रहे शहरीकरण की चुनौतियों से निपटने के लिए सदस्य देशों के बीच अनुभवों और नवाचारों का आदान-प्रदान बेहद महत्वपूर्ण है। उन्होंने कहा कि शहरों का विकास लोगों की जरूरतों को केंद्र में रखकर किया जाना चाहिए, ताकि सभी वर्गों के लिए बेहतर और सुरक्षित शहरी जीवन सुनिश्चित हो सके।

इस दो दिवसीय मंच में ब्रिक्स सदस्य देशों और साझेदार देशों के प्रतिनिधियों ने भाग लिया तथा शहरी विकास से जुड़े अपने राष्ट्रीय अनुभवों और सर्वोत्तम प्रथाओं को साझा किया। उन्होंने पत्रकारों के सवालों के जवाब में कहा कि सदस्य राष्ट्रों के बीच शहरी विकास के लिए डिजिटल नवाचार साझा किए जाएंगे। इसके लिए रुस से मिले सुझाव पर विचार किया जाएगा।



## **“सिटीज फॉर पीपल: अर्बन स्टोरीज फ्रॉम ब्रिक्स नेशंस” पुस्तक का विमोचन**

कार्यक्रम के दौरान “सिटीज फॉर पीपल: अर्बन स्टोरीज फ्रॉम ब्रिक्स नेशंस” पुस्तक का भी विमोचन किया गया। इसके साथ ही भारत द्वारा ब्रिक्स अर्बन रिसर्च एंड नॉलेज नेटवर्क की स्थापना का प्रस्ताव भी रखा गया, जिसका स्वागत सदस्य देशों ने किया। मंच के समापन के साथ ही शहरी विकास के क्षेत्र में ब्रिक्स देशों के बीच सहयोग को नई दिशा देने और साझा समाधान विकसित करने की प्रतिबद्धता दोहराई गई।

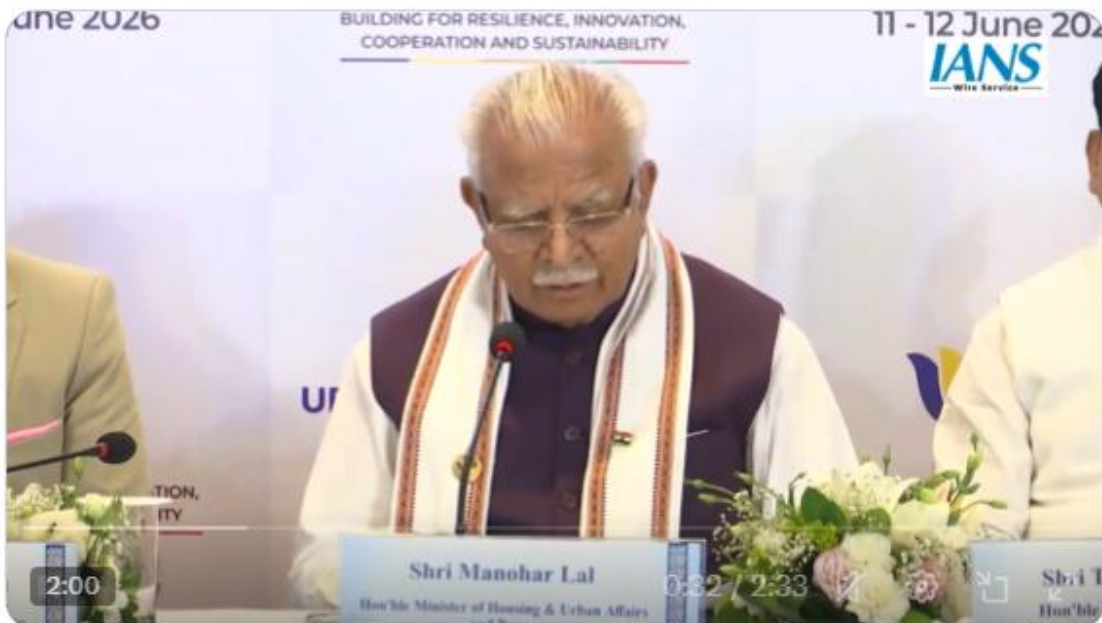
आवास एवं शहरी कार्य मंत्रालय के सचिव श्रीनिवास काटिकिथला ने बताया कि पिछले वर्षों में इस फोरम ने सदस्य देशों को एक-दूसरे के अनुभवों और सर्वोत्तम प्रथाओं को साझा करने तथा दीर्घकालिक सहयोग के लिए आवश्यक विश्वास विकसित करने का अवसर दिया है। समापन सत्र में ब्रिक्स देशों ने मंत्रीस्तरीय घोषणा-पत्र को अपनाया, जिसमें समावेशी, टिकाऊ, लचीले और रहने योग्य शहरों के निर्माण की प्रतिबद्धता दोहराई गई। घोषणा-पत्र में विशेष रूप से वंचित और कमजोर वर्गों के लिए शहरी सेवाओं तक समान पहुंच सुनिश्चित करने पर बल दिया गया।

<https://www.punjabkesari.com/delhi-ncr-news/successful-conclusion-of-the-brics-urbanization-forum/>

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Delhi: Union Minister Manohar Lal Khattar says, "As we know, today in New Delhi, the 13th BRICS Urbanisation Forum concluded. Over the past two days, all 10 BRICS member countries participated in the forum. The 10 member countries are India, Brazil, China, Egypt, Ethiopia, Indonesia, Iran, Russia, South Africa, and the United Arab Emirates (UAE)..."



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The 13th BRICS Urbanisation Forum concluded on Friday at Sushma Swaraj Bhavan here with the adoption of the ministerial declaration on inclusive, resilient and people-centred urban development.

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BRICS adopts Delhi Declaration on cities, backs India-led urban knowledge network

The declaration is adopted at the conclusion of the 2-day 13th BRICS Urbanisation Forum in New Delhi, held under India's BRICS Chair ship

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## Khattar Delivers Address at BRICS Urbanisation Forum 2026

Union Minister Manohar Lal Khattar delivered the Valedictory Address at the 13th BRICS Urbanisation Forum 2026 in New Delhi, following adoption of the first-ever BRICS Urban Ministerial Declarati...

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The BRICS member nations have accepted a proposal by India to establish a knowledge-sharing forum on urbanization, said Union housing and urban affairs minister Manohar Lal in New Delhi on Friday.



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# BRICS Urbanisation Forum

## DAY 1

**Date: 11.06.2026**



## India Hosts 13th BRICS Urbanisation Forum, Focuses On Resilient Cities



The 13th BRICS Urbanisation Forum commenced in New Delhi on Thursday under India's BRICS Chairship, bringing together ministers, senior government officials and urban development experts from BRICS member countries to discuss strategies for building inclusive, sustainable and resilient cities.

The two-day forum, hosted by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs at Sushma Swaraj Bhavan, is being attended by representatives from Brazil, Russia, India, China, South Africa, Egypt, Ethiopia, Iran, the United Arab Emirates and Indonesia.

Inaugurating the forum, Union Housing and Urban Affairs Minister Manohar Lal said the platform offers an opportunity to place urban development more firmly within the global development agenda. The forum is being held under the theme "Cities for People: BRICS Cooperation for Inclusive and Resilient Urban Futures."

Highlighting India's urban development priorities, the minister said inclusive urbanisation, climate- and disaster-resilient infrastructure, stronger institutions and digital innovation remain key pillars of the country's development journey.

India is hosting the BRICS Urbanisation Forum for the fourth time, following previous editions in New Delhi in 2013, Visakhapatnam in 2016 and a virtual edition in 2021.

Welcoming the participating delegations, Housing and Urban Affairs Secretary Srinivas Katikithala said the forum has emerged as an important platform for member countries to exchange best practices, deepen mutual understanding and strengthen long-term cooperation in urban development.

During the inaugural session, Manohar Lal released a publication titled "India's Urban Transformation: Stories of Change," showcasing urban development initiatives and best practices undertaken by states and Union Territories across the country.

The opening session was followed by a high-level plenary chaired by the Union Minister, where member nations shared their perspectives on urban challenges, opportunities and future aspirations through country statements.

On the sidelines of the forum, India and the Russian Federation held a bilateral meeting co-chaired by Minister of State for Housing and Urban Affairs Tokhan Sahu and Russian Deputy Minister of Construction, Housing and Utilities Yury Mutsenek. The discussions focused on strengthening cooperation in sustainable urban development.

Both sides reviewed progress on a proposed Memorandum of Understanding on Sustainable Urban Development and expressed their commitment to finalising the agreement at the earliest. The talks covered areas such as urban planning, affordable housing, municipal infrastructure, sustainable construction technologies, capacity building and urban governance.

Several other bilateral engagements also took place during the event, including meetings between Iran and Russia, Iran and China, and Russia and the United Arab Emirates.

As part of the programme, delegates visited key urban development projects in and around the national capital, including the New Parliament Complex and the India Gate-Kartavya Path precinct, providing participants with first-hand insights into India's ongoing urban transformation initiatives.

<https://ddnews.gov.in/en/india-hosts-13th-brics-urbanisation-forum-focuses-on-resilient-cities/>



*13th BRICS Urbanisation Forum begins in New Delhi, inauguration by Union Minister for Housing and Urban Affairs Manohar Lal Khattar (Photo/PIB)*

## **13th BRICS Urbanisation Forum begins in New Delhi, ministers discuss inclusive and resilient urban futures**

New Delhi [India], June 11 (ANI): The 13th BRICS Urbanisation Forum commenced on Thursday in New Delhi under India's BRICS Chairship, bringing together ministers, senior government officials and urban experts from BRICS member countries to deliberate on key urban development priorities and strengthen cooperation on sustainable urbanisation, according to the official press release by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs.

As per the official release, the two-day forum was formally inaugurated by Union Minister for Housing and Urban Affairs Manohar Lal Khattar at Sushma Swaraj Bhavan. Delegations from Brazil, Russia, Indonesia, India, China, South Africa, Egypt, Ethiopia, Iran and the United Arab Emirates are participating in the event.

India is hosting the BRICS Urbanisation Forum for the fourth time, following earlier editions in New Delhi in 2013, Visakhapatnam in 2016 and a virtual edition in 2021.

The forum is being held under the theme, "Cities for People: BRICS Cooperation for Inclusive and Resilient Urban Futures."

Addressing the inaugural session, Khattar said, "Under India's BRICS Chairship, this Forum is an opportunity to bring the urban agenda more firmly into the global development conversation."

He highlighted inclusive urban development, climate- and disaster-resilient infrastructure, institutional strengthening and digital innovation as key pillars of India's development journey.

Welcoming the participating delegations, Housing and Urban Affairs Secretary Srinivas Katikithala underlined the significance of the forum in fostering collaboration among member nations.

"Over the years, this Forum has enabled member countries to exchange good practices, deepen mutual understanding's systems, and build the trust required for sustained cooperation," Katikithala said.

During the inaugural session, the Union Minister released "India's Urban Transformation: Stories of Change," a publication showcasing urban development initiatives and experiences from states and Union Territories across the four priority areas of the forum.

The inauguration was followed by a high-level plenary session chaired by Khattar, where member countries presented country statements and discussed common urban challenges, opportunities and future aspirations.

On the sidelines of the forum, India and the Russian Federation held a bilateral meeting co-chaired by Minister of State for Housing and Urban Affairs Tokhan Sahu and Russia's Deputy Minister of Construction, Housing and Utilities Yury Mutsenek.

The two sides reviewed progress on a proposed Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on Sustainable Urban Development and reaffirmed their commitment to expediting its finalisation. Discussions covered urban planning, affordable housing, municipal infrastructure, sustainable construction technologies, capacity building and the exchange of best practices in urban governance.

Additional bilateral discussions were also held between Iran and Russia, Iran and China, and Russia and the United Arab Emirates.

Delegates later visited selected urban development projects in and around New Delhi, including the New Parliament Complex and the India Gate-Kartavya Path precinct, to gain first-hand exposure to India's urban transformation initiatives.

The first day of the forum concluded with a cultural programme and networking dinner, setting the stage for further discussions on urban cooperation and sustainable development among BRICS nations. (ANI)

<https://www.aninews.in/news/world/asia/13th-brics-urbanisation-forum-begins-in-new-delhi-ministers-discuss-inclusive-and-resilient-urban-futures20260611221313/>

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### **Urban agenda takes centre stage as BRICS Forum opens in Delhi**

NEW DELHI: (Jun 11) A two-day BRICS Urbanisation Forum commenced here on Thursday, with Union Housing and Urban Affairs Minister Manohar Lal describing it as a key platform to place urban development more prominently within the global development discourse.

Hosted by the Union Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA) under India's BRICS Chairship, the forum is being attended by ministers, senior government officials and urban practitioners from Brazil, Russia, Indonesia, India, China, South Africa, Egypt, Ethiopia, Iran and the United Arab Emirates.

The forum focuses on the theme -- 'Cities for People: BRICS Cooperation for Inclusive and Resilient Urban Futures'.

<https://www.ptinews.com/story/national/urban-agenda-takes-centre-stage-as-brics-forum-opens-in-delhi/3757465>



## **BRICS Urbanisation Forum Brings Urban Agenda Into Global Conversation: Union Minister Manohar Lal**



The 13th BRICS Urbanisation Forum began in New Delhi today. The two day forum, under India's Chairship, brings together Ministers, senior government officials and urban practitioners from Brazil, Russia, Indonesia, India, China, South Africa, Egypt, Ethiopia, Iran, and the United Arab Emirates, to deliberate on critical urban development priorities.

Inaugurating the forum, Union Minister of Housing and Urban Affairs Manohar Lal said, this Forum is an opportunity to bring the urban agenda more firmly into the global development conversation. He highlighted that inclusive urban development, climate- and disaster-resilient infrastructure, strengthening institutions, and digital innovation are the anchors of India's development story.

On the sidelines of the BRICS Urbanisation Forum, a bilateral meeting was also held between India and Russia. The Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs informed that the meeting was co-chaired by Minister of State for Housing and Urban Affairs Tokhan Sahu and Deputy Minister of Construction, Housing and Utilities of Russia Yury Mutsenek. The meeting provided an opportunity for substantive and forward-looking discussions on enhancing bilateral cooperation in the field of sustainable urban development. During the meeting, both sides reviewed the progress of discussions on the proposed Memorandum of Understanding on Sustainable Urban Development and expressed their commitment to expediting its finalization and conclusion at the earliest. The ministry said that bilateral discussions were also conducted between Iran and Russia, Iran and China, Russia and the United Arab Emirates.

<https://newsonair.gov.in/brics-urbanisation-forum-brings-urban-agenda-into-global-conversation-union-minister-manohar-lal/>

## Inclusive & resilient cities in focus at 13th BRICS Urbanisation Forum



NEW DELHI: India on Thursday inaugurated the 13th BRICS Urbanisation Forum in New Delhi, bringing together ministers, senior government officials and urban development experts from member nations to deliberate on strategies for building inclusive, sustainable and resilient cities in the face of rapid urbanisation.

Organised under India's BRICS 2026 Presidency, the two-day forum is being hosted by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA). Delegations from Brazil, Russia, India, China, South Africa, Egypt, Ethiopia, Iran, Indonesia and the United Arab Emirates are participating in the event. This is the fourth time India is hosting the forum, following editions held in New Delhi in 2013, Visakhapatnam in 2016 and a virtual edition in 2021. The forum is centred on the theme, "Cities for People: BRICS Cooperation for Inclusive and Resilient Urban Futures." The inaugural session was held at Sushma Swaraj Bhavan and was addressed by Union Housing and Urban Affairs Minister Manohar Lal.

In his opening remarks, the minister underscored the critical role of cities in driving economic growth and improving quality of life. He emphasised the need to ensure equitable access to urban services, strengthen infrastructure resilience, improve governance systems and harness technology to create sustainable urban ecosystems.

During the inaugural session, Manohar Lal also launched a report titled “India’s Urban Transformation: Stories of Change.” The publication showcases successful urban initiatives undertaken by states and Union Territories across key focus areas and highlights best practices in urban governance and development.

The forum featured extensive discussions on common urban challenges faced by BRICS nations and explored opportunities for enhanced cooperation.

Delegates exchanged views on sustainable urban planning, affordable housing, municipal infrastructure development, resilient city-building and innovative governance models.

<https://www.millenniumpost.in/nation/will-i-perform-same-again-neet-re-exam-fear-haunts-aspirants-663925>

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The central theme of the Forum is 'Cities for People: BRICS Cooperation for Inclusive and Resilient Urban Futures'.

Addressing the gathering, Manohar Lal emphasised that the event provides a platform to integrate the urban agenda more strongly into global development discussions. He identified inclusive urban development, climate- and disaster-resilient infrastructure, institutional strengthening and digital innovation as key pillars of India's growth narrative.

Secretary, Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs, Srinivas Katikithala welcomed the delegates and noted that the Forum has consistently facilitated the exchange of best practices, fostered mutual understanding of governance systems and built trust for long-term collaboration among member countries.

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A high-level plenary session followed, chaired by Manohar Lal. It offered member nations an opportunity to share country statements on common urban challenges, future prospects and collective aspirations.

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The discussions reviewed progress on a proposed memorandum of understanding on sustainable urban development and expressed a commitment to finalise it soon. Topics discussed included urban planning, affordable housing, municipal infrastructure, sustainable construction technologies, capacity building and governance best practices.

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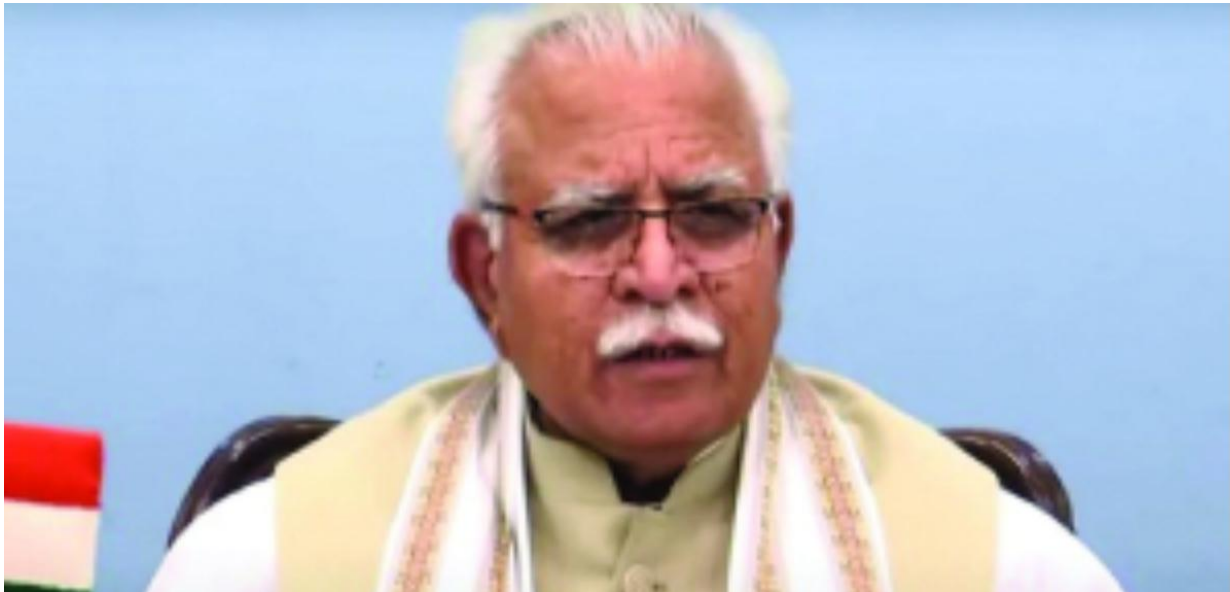
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According to the government, India is hosting the BRICS Urbanisation Forum for the fourth time, following the editions held in New Delhi in 2013, Visakhapatnam in 2016 and virtually in 2021.

The minister said, "Under India's BRICS Chairship, this Forum is an opportunity to bring the urban agenda more firmly into the global development conversation."

He highlighted the anchors of India's development story as inclusive urban development, climate and disaster-resilient infrastructure, strengthening institutions, and digital innovation.

Welcoming the delegations, ministry secretary Srinivas Katikithala set the context for the Forum, saying, "Over the years, this Forum has enabled member countries to exchange good practices, deepen mutual understanding of each other's systems, and build the trust required for sustained cooperation."

The ministry said that on the sidelines of the BRICS Urbanisation Forum, a bilateral meeting was held between India and the Russian Federation, co-chaired by Tokhan Sahu, Minister of State for Housing and Urban Affairs, Government of India, and Yury Mutsenek, Deputy Minister of Construction, Housing and Utilities of the Russian Federation.

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Both sides reviewed the progress of discussions on the proposed Memorandum of Understanding on Sustainable Urban Development and expressed their commitment to expediting its finalization and conclusion at the earliest.

The deliberations encompassed a broad range of areas of mutual interest, including urban planning, affordable housing, municipal infrastructure, sustainable construction technologies, capacity building, and the exchange of best practices in urban governance.

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The delegations subsequently undertook a curated field to select urban interventions in and around New Delhi, offering first-hand exposure to India's urban transformation, including the New Parliament Complex and the India Gate–Kartavya Path precinct, the HUA ministry also said.

<https://dailypioneer.com/news/slug-lite/urban-agenda-takes-centre-stage-as-brics-forum-opens-in-delhi?year=2026>

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## 13th BRICS Urbanisation Forum begins in New Delhi under India's chair



### SYNOPSIS

The 13th BRICS Urbanisation Forum commenced in New Delhi under India's chairship. Inaugurated by Union Minister Manohar Lal Khattar, the two-day event brings together delegations from 10 nations to discuss sustainable urban development.

The 13th BRICS Urbanisation Forum commenced on Thursday in New Delhi under India's BRICS Chairship, bringing together ministers, senior government officials and urban experts from BRICS member countries to deliberate on key urban development priorities and strengthen cooperation on sustainable urbanisation, according to the official press release by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs.

As per the official release, the two-day forum was formally inaugurated by Union Minister for Housing and Urban Affairs Manohar Lal Khattar at Sushma Swaraj Bhavan. Delegations from Brazil, Russia, Indonesia, India, China, South Africa, Egypt, Ethiopia, Iran and the United Arab Emirates are participating in the event.

India is hosting the BRICS Urbanisation Forum for the fourth time, following earlier editions in New Delhi in 2013, Visakhapatnam in 2016 and a virtual edition in 2021. The forum is being held under the theme, "Cities for People: BRICS Cooperation for Inclusive and Resilient Urban Futures."

### **Inaugural Session and Key Priorities**

Addressing the inaugural session, Khattar said, "Under India's BRICS Chairship, this Forum is an opportunity to bring the urban agenda more firmly into the global development conversation." He highlighted inclusive urban development, climate- and disaster-resilient infrastructure, institutional strengthening and digital innovation as key pillars of India's development journey.

Welcoming the participating delegations, Housing and Urban Affairs Secretary Srinivas Katikithala underlined the significance of the forum in fostering collaboration among member nations. "Over the years, this Forum has enabled member countries to exchange good practices, deepen mutual understanding's systems, and build the trust required for sustained cooperation," Katikithala said.

During the inaugural session, the Union Minister released "India's Urban Transformation: Stories of Change," a publication showcasing urban development initiatives and experiences from states and Union Territories across the four priority areas of the forum.

The inauguration was followed by a high-level plenary session chaired by Khattar, where member countries presented country statements and discussed common urban challenges, opportunities and future aspirations.

## **Bilateral Discussions on Sidelines**

### **India, Russia Reaffirm Commitment to Sustainable Urban Development**

On the sidelines of the forum, India and the Russian Federation held a bilateral meeting co-chaired by Minister of State for Housing and Urban Affairs Tokhan Sahu and Russia's Deputy Minister of Construction, Housing and Utilities Yury Mutsenek. The two sides reviewed progress on a proposed Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on Sustainable Urban Development and reaffirmed their commitment to expediting its finalisation. Discussions covered urban planning, affordable housing, municipal infrastructure, sustainable construction technologies, capacity building and the exchange of best practices in urban governance.

Additional bilateral discussions were also held between Iran and Russia, Iran and China, and Russia and the United Arab Emirates.

### **Experiencing India's Urban Initiatives**

Delegates later visited selected urban development projects in and around New Delhi, including the New Parliament Complex and the India Gate-Kartavya Path precinct, to gain first-hand exposure to India's urban transformation initiatives.

The first day of the forum concluded with a cultural programme and networking dinner, setting the stage for further discussions on urban cooperation and sustainable development among BRICS nations.

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## KEY TAKEAWAYS

AI SUMMARY

- The 13th BRICS Urbanisation Forum has begun in New Delhi, focusing on sustainable and inclusive urban growth.
- Ministers and urban development experts from BRICS nations, including Brazil, Russia, India, China, and South Africa, are participating in the discussions.
- The forum is themed 'Cities for People: BRICS Cooperation for Inclusive and Resilient Urban Futures' and emphasizes people-centric urban development.
- This marks India's fourth time hosting the BRICS Urbanisation Forum, highlighting its commitment to global urban development conversations.

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Hosted by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs under India's BRICS Chairship 2026, the two-day forum is centered on the theme "**Cities for People: BRICS Cooperation for Inclusive and Resilient Urban Futures.**" Representatives from Brazil, Russia, India, China, South Africa, Egypt, Ethiopia, Indonesia, Iran and the United Arab Emirates are participating in the discussions.

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### Focus on People-Centric Urban Development

Inaugurating the forum, Union Housing and Urban Affairs Minister Manohar Lal said the gathering offers an important opportunity to place urban development at the center of global conversations on growth and sustainability.

He highlighted India's urban development priorities, including inclusive city planning, climate-resilient infrastructure, stronger urban institutions and the use of digital technologies to improve governance and public services.

Housing and Urban Affairs Secretary Srinivas Katikithala noted that the forum has evolved into a valuable platform for sharing experiences, exchanging best practices and building stronger cooperation among member countries facing similar urban challenges.

During the inaugural session, the Minister also launched a publication titled "**India's Urban Transformation: Stories of Change,**" showcasing successful urban development initiatives undertaken by states and Union Territories across the country.

### **Member Nations Share Urban Development Strategies**

A high-level plenary session followed the inauguration, providing participating countries with an opportunity to present their approaches to urbanization, infrastructure development and sustainable growth.

The discussions focused on common challenges such as rapid urban expansion, affordable housing, resilient infrastructure, climate adaptation and improving the quality of life for urban residents.

Through country statements and policy exchanges, delegates explored ways to strengthen cooperation and learn from each other's experiences in managing growing cities.

### **Bilateral Meetings Strengthen Cooperation**

On the sidelines of the forum, India and Russia held a bilateral meeting focused on expanding cooperation in sustainable urban development.

The discussions were co-chaired by Minister of State for Housing and Urban Affairs Tokhan Sahu and Russia's Deputy Minister of Construction, Housing and Utilities, Yury Mutsenek. Both sides reviewed progress on a proposed Memorandum of Understanding covering areas such as urban planning, affordable housing, municipal infrastructure, sustainable construction technologies, capacity building and urban governance.

Additional bilateral engagements took place between Iran and Russia, Iran and China, and Russia and the United Arab Emirates.

Delegates also visited several landmark urban projects in and around New Delhi, including the New Parliament Complex and the India Gate–Kartavya Path precinct, providing international participants with firsthand exposure to India's ongoing urban transformation efforts.

The day's proceedings concluded with a cultural programme and networking dinner, creating further opportunities for dialogue and collaboration among participating nations.

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# Special Greetings

**KICKING OFF** the two-day BRICS Urbanisation Forum 2026 in the Capital, Minister for Housing and Urban Affairs Manohar Lal made it a point to greet all the visiting dignitaries in their language. Welcoming the ministers and officials from BRICS nations, Lal read out the greetings in 10 languages, including Russian, Chinese and Persian, besides the regular “good morning, suprabhat” in English and Hindi.

# Inclusive & resilient cities in focus at 13th BRICS Urbanisation Forum

**NARESH BISWANI**

**NEW DELHI:** India on Thursday inaugurated the 13th BRICS Urbanisation Forum in New Delhi, bringing together ministers, senior government officials and urban development experts from member nations to deliberate on strategies for building inclusive, sustainable and resilient cities in the face of rapid urbanisation.

Organised under India's BRICS 2026 Presidency, the two-day forum is being hosted by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA). Delegations from Brazil, Russia, India, China, South Africa, Egypt, Ethiopia, Iran, Indonesia and the United Arab Emirates are participating in the event. This is the fourth time India is hosting the forum, following editions held in New Delhi in 2013, Visakhapatnam in 2016 and a virtual edition in 2021. The forum is centred on the theme, "Cities for Peo-



ple: BRICS Cooperation for Inclusive and Resilient Urban Futures." The inaugural session was held at Sushma Swaraj Bhavan and was addressed by Union Housing and Urban Affairs Minister Manohar Lal.

In his opening remarks, the minister underscored the critical role of cities in driving economic growth and improving quality of life. He emphasised the need to ensure equitable access to urban services, strengthen infrastructure resilience, improve governance systems and harness technology to create sustainable urban ecosystems.

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The forum featured extensive discussions on common urban challenges faced by BRICS nations and explored opportunities for enhanced cooperation.

Delegates exchanged views on sustainable urban planning, affordable housing, municipal infrastructure development, resilient city-building and innovative governance models.



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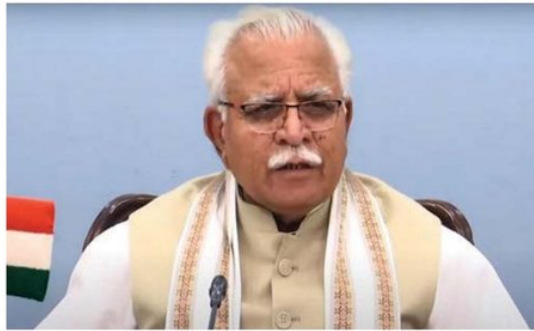
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*Member Nations Discuss Inclusive Growth, Urban Resilience and Sustainable Development*

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# Manohar Lal inaugurates Brics Forum

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Union minister of housing and urban affairs Manohar Lal on Thursday inaugurated the 13th 'Brics Urbanisation Forum' in the national capital. Mr Lal said, "Under India's Brics chairship, this Forum is an opportunity to bring the urban agenda more firmly into the global development conversation."

Mr Lal highlighted the anchors of India's development story as inclusive urban development, climate and disaster-resilient infrastructure, strengthening institutions, and digital innovation. Hosted by the ministry of housing and urban affairs under India's Brics chairship, the Forum brings together ministers, government officials and urban practitioners from Brazil, Russia, Indonesia, India, China, South Africa, Egypt, Ethiopia, Iran, and the UAE, to deliberate on critical urban development priorities.



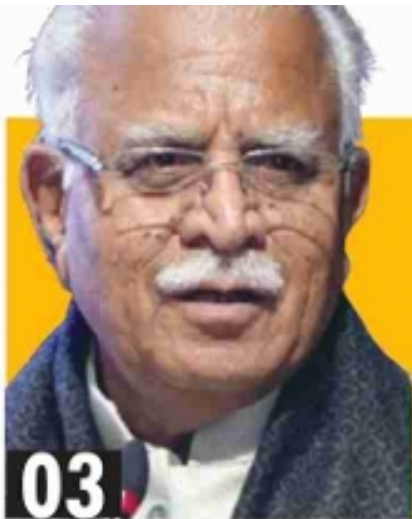
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**THE 13TH BRICS URBANISATION FORUM UNDER INDIA'S CHAIRSHIP BEGINS IN NEW**



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# ब्रिक्स शहरीकरण फोरम की शुरुआत

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## BRICS Deliberates on Urban Challenges and Solutions

### शहरी चुनौतियों और समाधान पर BRICS का मंथन

■ NBT रिपोर्ट, नई दिल्ली : 13वें BRICS 'अर्बनाइजेशन फोरम' की गुरुवार को नई दिल्ली स्थित सुषमा स्वराज भवन में केंद्रीय मंत्री मनोहर लाल ने शुरुआत की। दो दिन के इस फोरम में ब्राजील, रूस, भारत, चीन, साउथ अफ्रीका, इंडोनेशिया, इजिप्ट, इथियोपिया, ईरान और UAE सहित ब्रिक्स देशों के मंत्री, सीनियर अधिकारी और शहरी विकास के जाने-माने एक्सपर्ट हिस्सा ले रहे हैं।

'सिटीज फॉर पीपल: ब्रिक्स कोऑपरेशन फॉर इन्क्लूसिव ऐंड रेजिलिएंट अर्बन फ्यूचर्स' थीम पर आयोजित इस फोरम में तेजी से बढ़ते शहरीकरण, टिकाऊ विकास, जलवायु परिवर्तन और शहरी इन्फ्रा जैसी चुनौतियों पर चर्चा हुई। भारत चौथी बार इस फोरम की मेजबानी कर रहा है। इससे



13वें BRICS 'अर्बनाइजेशन फोरम' का दिल्ली में हुआ है आगाज

पहले 2013 में नई दिल्ली, 2016 में विशाखापत्तनम और 2021 में वर्चुअल आयोजन हुआ था। शुरुआती सत्र में केंद्रीय मंत्री मनोहर लाल ने कहा कि यह फोरम वैश्विक विकास अजेंडे में शहरी मुद्दों को प्रमुखता से रखने का महत्वपूर्ण अवसर है। अर्बन डिवेलपमेंट में सचिव श्रीनिवास काटिकथला ने कहा कि यह फोरम सदस्य देशों के बीच सहयोग को मजबूत करने का प्रभावी मंच रहा है।

BRICS Urbanization Forum Kicks Off in New Delhi, Member Countries Share Experiences

# ब्रिक्स शहरीकरण मंच का नई दिल्ली में आगाज, सदस्य देशों ने साझा किए अनुभव

नई दिल्ली, (पंजाब केसरी): केंद्रीय आवास और शहरी मामलों के मंत्री मनोहर लाल ने गुरुवार को भारत की अध्यक्षता में हो रहे 13वें ब्रिक्स शहरीकरण फोरम का उद्घाटन किया। आवास और शहरी मामलों के मंत्रालय द्वारा आयोजित इस दो दिवसीय फोरम में ब्राजील, रूस, इंडोनेशिया, भारत, चीन, दक्षिण अफ्रीका, मिस्र, इथियोपिया, ईरान और संयुक्त अरब अमीरात के मंत्री, वरिष्ठ सरकारी अधिकारियों और शहरी मामलों के विशेषज्ञ शामिल हो रहे हैं।

बता दें कि भारत चौथी बार ब्रिक्स शहरीकरण फोरम की मेजबानी कर रहा है। यह फोरम समावेशी और मजबूत शहरी भविष्य के लिए ब्रिक्स सहयोग विषय पर केंद्रित था। फोरम का उद्घाटन करते हुए केंद्रीय आवास



और शहरी मामलों के मंत्री मनोहर लाल ने कहा कि भारत की ब्रिक्स अध्यक्षता के तहत, यह फोरम शहरी एजेंडे को वैश्विक विकास की बातचीत में और मजबूती से शामिल करने का एक अवसर है। आवास और शहरी मामलों के मंत्रालय के सचिव श्रीनिवास कतिकिथला ने कहा कि पिछले कुछ वर्षों में, इस फोरम ने सदस्य देशों को अच्छे तौर-

तरीकों का आदान-प्रदान करने, एक-दूसरे की प्रणालियों के बारे में आपसी समझ को गहरा करने और निरंतर सहयोग के लिए जरूरी भरोसा कायम करने में मदद की है। इस दौरान मनोहर लाल ने 'इंडियाज अर्बन ट्रांसफॉर्मेशन: स्टोरीज ऑफ चेंज' (भारत का शहरी बदलाव: बदलाव की कहानियां) नाम का एक प्रकाशन जारी किया।



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# तेरहवें ब्रिक्स शहरीकरण मंच का शुभारंभ

नई दिल्ली, 11 जून (ब्यूरो)। भारत की ब्रिक्स अध्यक्षता 2026 के तहत आवासन एवं शहरी कार्य मंत्रालय की ओर से आयोजित 13वें ब्रिक्स शहरीकरण मंच का गुरुवार को केंद्रीय आवासन एवं शहरी कार्य मंत्री मनोहर लाल ने इसका उद्घाटन किया। दो दिवसीय कार्यक्रम में ब्राजील, रूस, इंडोनेशिया, भारत, चीन, दक्षिण अफ्रीका, मिस्र, इथियोपिया, ईरान तथा संयुक्त अरब अमीरात के मंत्रियों ने समावेशी एवं लचीले शहरी भविष्य पर ब्रिक्स मंत्रियों ने किया विचार-विमर्श शामिल हुए। 'जन-केंद्रित शहर, समावेशी एवं लचीले शहरी भविष्य के लिए ब्रिक्स सहयोग' विषय पर आयोजित कार्यक्रम के दौरान केंद्रीय मंत्री मनोहर लाल ने कहा, भारत की ब्रिक्स अध्यक्षता के तहत यह मंच, शहरी विकास के मुद्दे को वैश्विक विकास विमर्श में अधिक सशक्त रूप प्रदान करने का अवसर प्रदान करता है। इस मौके पर केंद्रीय मंत्री मनोहर लाल ने 'इंडियाज अर्बन ट्रांसफार्मेशन: स्टोरीज आफ चेंज' नामक प्रकाशन का विमोचन किया।

13th BRICS Urbanisation Forum inaugurated, to conclude today; Urban agenda must be strongly placed in global development: Manohar Lal

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# वैश्विक विकास में शहरी एजेंडा को मजबूती से रखना जरूरी: मनोहर लाल

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नई दिल्ली, दुनिया के विकास में शहरों के सुनियोजित विकास को प्राथमिकता से लिया जाना चाहिए। भारत की अध्यक्षता में आयोजित 13वां ब्रिक्स अर्बनाइजेशन फोरम में यह विचार प्रमुखता से उभरकर सामने आया। सुषमा स्वराज भवन में आयोजित इस फोरम का उद्घाटन गुरुवार को आवास एवं शहरी मामलों के मंत्री मनोहर लाल ने किया। दो दिवसीय इस फोरम में ब्राजील, रूस, इंडोनेशिया, भारत, चीन, दक्षिण अफ्रीका, मिस्र, इथियोपिया, ईरान और संयुक्त अरब अमीरात के मंत्री, वरिष्ठ अधिकारी और शहरी विकास विशेषज्ञ शामिल हुए।

**सिटीज फॉर पीपल:** ब्रिक्स कोऑपरेशन फॉर इन्क्लूसिव एंड रेजिलिएंट अर्बन फ्यूचर्स थीम पर हो रहे इस सम्मेलन के उद्घाटन सत्र को संबोधित करते हुए मनोहर लाल ने कहा कि समावेशी शहरी विकास, जलवायु एवं आपदा-रोधी



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इंफ्रास्ट्रक्चर, संस्थागत सुदृढीकरण और डिजिटल नवाचार भारत की विकास यात्रा के प्रमुख स्तंभ हैं। आवास एवं शहरी कार्य मंत्रालय के सचिव श्रीनिवास कटिकिथला ने कहा कि यह मंच वर्षों से सदस्य देशों को एक-दूसरे की अच्छी प्रथाओं को साझा करने और आपसी विश्वास को मजबूत करने का अवसर देता रहा है।

उद्घाटन सत्र में 'इंडियाज अर्बन ट्रांसफॉर्मेशन: स्टोरीज ऑफ चेंज' का

विमोचन हुआ, जिसमें राज्यों और केंद्र शासित प्रदेशों की शहरी पहलों को चार प्राथमिक क्षेत्रों में प्रस्तुत किया गया है। इसके बाद अलग-अलग चर्चा सत्रों में सदस्य देशों ने साझा चुनौतियों, उम्मीदों और लक्ष्यों पर विचार-विमर्श किया। इसी दौरान भारत और रूस के बीच द्विपक्षीय बैठक भी हुई, जिसमें सतत शहरी विकास पर सहयोग बढ़ाने पर चर्चा हुई। दोनों पक्षों ने प्रस्तावित समझौता ज्ञापन को शीघ्र

अंतिम रूप देने की प्रतिबद्धता जताई। बैठक में शहरी नियोजन, किफायती आवास, नगर अवसंरचना, सतत निर्माण तकनीक और शहरी शासन में श्रेष्ठ प्रथाओं के आदान-प्रदान जैसे विषय शामिल रहे। इसके अलावा ईरान-रूस, ईरान-चीन और रूस-यूएई के बीच भी द्विपक्षीय वार्ताएं हुईं। प्रतिनिधिमंडलों ने नई दिल्ली में संसद भवन परिसर और इंडिया गेट-कर्तव्य पथ का दौरा भी किया।



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Union Minister Tokhan to participate in 13th BRICS Urbanization Forum today

## 13वें ब्रिक्स शहरीकरण फोरम में केंद्रीय मंत्री तोखन आज होंगे शामिल

बिलासपुर/नवप्रदेश। केंद्रीय पर विचार-विमर्श का अवसर आवासन एवं शहरी कार्य राज्य प्रदान करेगा। प्रधानमंत्री नरेंद्र मंत्री तोखन साहू 12 जून को नई दिल्ली में आयोजित होने वाले 13वें ब्रिक्स शहरीकरण फोरम में भाग लेंगे। भारत की ब्रिक्स अध्यक्षता के अंतर्गत आयोजित यह



महत्वपूर्ण मंत्रीस्तरीय मंच ब्रिक्स देशों के मंत्रियों, वरिष्ठ अधिकारियों, शहरी विकास विशेषज्ञों, नीति निर्माताओं एवं विभिन्न हितधारकों को एक साथ लाकर समावेशी, सतत एवं लचीले शहरी विकास के विषय

मोदी के 'मानवता सर्वोपरि' दृष्टिकोण तथा भारत की ब्रिक्स अध्यक्षता की थीम 'लचीलापन, नवाचार, सहयोग और स्थिरता के लिए निर्माण' से प्रेरित यह फोरम 'लोगों के लिए शहर: समावेशी और लचीले शहरी भविष्य के लिए ब्रिक्स सहयोग' विषय पर केंद्रित होगा। फोरम के संबंध में तोखन साहू ने कहा कि ब्रिक्स देशों में तीव्र शहरीकरण के साथ आवास, शहरी गतिशीलता,

जलवायु जोखिम, नगर निकायों की क्षमता, शहरी वित्त एवं नागरिक सेवाओं जैसी समान चुनौतियां उभर रही हैं। ऐसे समय में यह मंच सदस्य देशों के बीच अनुभवों के आदान-प्रदान, नवाचारों को साझा करने तथा समावेशी, लचीले एवं सतत शहरों के निर्माण हेतु सहयोग को और सुदृढ़ बनाने का महत्वपूर्ण अवसर प्रदान करता है। फोरम के दौरान श्री साहू विभिन्न आधिकारिक कार्यक्रमों में भाग लेंगे। 11 जून को रूस तथा 12 जून को ईरान के प्रतिनिधिमंडलों के साथ उनकी द्विपक्षीय बैठकें प्रस्तावित हैं।

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## भारत की ब्रिक्स अध्यक्षता में दो दिवसीय फोरम शुरू; शहरी विकास के मुद्दों पर मंथन करने दिल्ली जुटे 10 देशों के दिग्गज

केंद्रीय मंत्री मनोहर लाल ने नई दिल्ली में 13वें ब्रिक्स शहरीकरण फोरम का उद्घाटन किया, जिसमें 10 देशों के प्रतिनिधि शहरी विकास पर मंथन कर रहे हैं। भारत की अध्यक्षता में आयोजित इस दो दिवसीय फोरम में 'लोगों के लिए शहर' थीम पर चर्चा और 'इंडियाज अर्बन ट्रांसफॉर्मेशन' पुस्तक का विमोचन हुआ।



दिल्ली में शुरू हुआ 13वां ब्रिक्स शहरीकरण फोरम

## HIGHLIGHTS

1. मनोहर लाल ने 13वें ब्रिक्स शहरीकरण फोरम का उद्घाटन किया।
2. 10 देशों के प्रतिनिधि शहरी विकास मुद्दों पर चर्चा कर रहे हैं।
3. 'इंडियाज अर्बन ट्रांसफॉर्मेशन' पुस्तक का विमोचन भी हुआ।

**डिजिटल डेस्क, नई दिल्ली:** केंद्रीय आवास एवं शहरी कार्य मंत्री मनोहर लाल ने आज नई दिल्ली के सुषमा स्वराज भवन में 13वें ब्रिक्स (BRICS) शहरीकरण फोरम का औपचारिक रूप से उद्घाटन किया। वर्ष 2026 में भारत की ब्रिक्स अध्यक्षता के तहत आयोजित यह दो दिवसीय फोरम दुनिया भर के प्रमुख देशों को शहरी विकास के महत्वपूर्ण मुद्दों पर मंथन करने के लिए एक साझा मंच प्रदान कर रहा है।

### 10 देशों के प्रतिनिधि ले रहे हैं हिस्सा

आवास एवं शहरी कार्य मंत्रालय द्वारा आयोजित इस फोरम में ब्राजील, रूस, इंडोनेशिया, भारत, चीन, दक्षिण अफ्रीका, मिस्र, इथियोपिया, ईरान और संयुक्त अरब अमीरात (UAE) के मंत्री, वरिष्ठ सरकारी अधिकारी और शहरी विकास विशेषज्ञ हिस्सा ले रहे हैं। उल्लेखनीय है कि भारत चौथी बार इस प्रतिष्ठित फोरम की मेजबानी कर रहा है। इससे पहले 2013 में नई दिल्ली, 2016 में विशाखापत्तनम और 2021 में वर्चुअल माध्यम से इसका सफल आयोजन किया जा चुका है।

### 'लोगों के लिए शहर' है मुख्य थीम

इस वर्ष फोरम की थीम '*लोगों के लिए शहर: समावेशी और लचीले शहरी भविष्य के लिए ब्रिक्स सहयोग*' (Cities for People: BRICS Cooperation for Inclusive and Resilient Urban Futures) रखी गई है।

उद्घाटन सत्र को संबोधित करते हुए केंद्रीय मंत्री मनोहर लाल ने कहा, "भारत की ब्रिक्स अध्यक्षता के तहत, यह फोरम वैश्विक विकास वार्ता में शहरी एजेंडे को अधिक मजबूती से शामिल करने का एक बेहतरीन अवसर है।" उन्होंने भारत की विकास गाथा के प्रमुख स्तंभों पर प्रकाश डालते हुए समावेशी शहरी विकास, जलवायु और आपदा-रोधी बुनियादी ढांचे, मजबूत संस्थानों और डिजिटल नवाचार को भविष्य की चाबी बताया।

वहीं, आवास एवं शहरी कार्य मंत्रालय के सचिव निवास कटिकिथला ने विदेशी मेहमानों का स्वागत करते हुए कहा कि इन वर्षों में इस फोरम ने सदस्य देशों को अपनी बेहतरीन नीतियों का आदान-प्रदान करने, एक-दूसरे के सिस्टम को समझने और निरंतर सहयोग के लिए विश्वास कायम करने में सक्षम बनाया है।

### **'इंडियाज अर्बन ट्रांसफॉर्मेशन' पुस्तक का विमोचन**

इस अवसर पर केंद्रीय मंत्री ने 'इंडियाज अर्बन ट्रांसफॉर्मेशन: स्टोरीज ऑफ चेंज' (India's Urban Transformation: Stories of Change) नामक एक विशेष पुस्तक का भी विमोचन किया। यह प्रकाशन भारत के विभिन्न राज्यों और केंद्र शासित प्रदेशों द्वारा अपनाए गए सफल शहरी प्रयोगों और अनुभवों को दुनिया के सामने प्रस्तुत करता है। इसके बाद एक उच्च-स्तरीय पूर्ण सत्र (Plenary Session) भी आयोजित किया गया, जिसमें सदस्य देशों ने अपनी साझा शहरी चुनौतियों और भविष्य की संभावनाओं पर अपने-अपने देशों के बयान प्रस्तुत किए।

## **भारत और रूस के बीच द्विपक्षीय वार्ता**

ब्रिक्स फोरम के इतर, भारत और रूसी संघ के बीच एक महत्वपूर्ण द्विपक्षीय बैठक भी हुई। इस बैठक की सह-अध्यक्षता भारत के आवास एवं शहरी कार्य राज्य मंत्री तोखन साहू और रूस के निर्माण एवं आवास उप मंत्री यूरी मुत्सेनेक ने की। दोनों देशों ने 'सतत शहरी विकास' पर प्रस्तावित समझौता ज्ञापन (MoU) की प्रगति की समीक्षा की और इसे जल्द से जल्द अंतिम रूप देने पर सहमति जताई। इसके अलावा शहरी नियोजन, किफायती आवास, नगर निगम के बुनियादी ढांचे और टिकाऊ निर्माण तकनीक जैसे अहम विषयों पर भी व्यापक चर्चा हुई। इस दौरान ईरान-रूस, ईरान-चीन और रूस-यूएई के बीच भी द्विपक्षीय बैठकें आयोजित की गईं।

## **विदेशी मेहमानों ने देखा नया संसद भवन और कर्तव्य पथ**

कार्यक्रम के अंतिम चरण में, विभिन्न देशों के प्रतिनिधिमंडलों ने नई दिल्ली के प्रमुख शहरी विकास स्थलों का दौरा किया। विदेशी मेहमानों ने नए संसद भवन (New Parliament Complex) और इंडिया गेट-कर्तव्य पथ परिसर का भ्रमण किया और भारत में हो रहे अभूतपूर्व शहरी परिवर्तन का प्रत्यक्ष अनुभव प्राप्त किया।

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He said that while urban realities across [#BRICS](#) countries may differ, their aspirations remain closely connected.

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