

**Delhi Development Authority**  
**PRESS NOTE**  
**ONLINE PUBLIC CONSULTATION on**  
**“PERSPECTIVE OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES FOR MPD-2041”**

Delhi Development Authority (DDA) in association with the National Institute of Urban Affairs (NIUA) is preparing the next Master Plan of Delhi-2041. As part of the planning process, a series of discussions and consultations are being carried out with various stakeholders and civil society groups to seek their inputs towards driving the agenda of the Master Plan. So far, a series of meetings have been held with residents and RWAs from various housing typologies of Delhi such as plotted, group housing, unauthorized colonies and urban/ rural villages, Special Area (including walled city), Youth of Delhi, Markets and Traders Associations of Delhi etc.

**As a part of these public engagement series, the next consultation meeting is scheduled to be held on Wednesday, 21<sup>st</sup> October 2020, 3:00 pm onwards with the Persons with Disabilities living in Delhi.** CSOs working in the field of uplifting lives for Persons with disabilities like Ayushkama Foundation, Chronic Pain India, Astha Foundation, Svayam, Main Bhi Dilli campaign and others are supporting the facilitation of this engagement initiative.

A disability-inclusive development is one, which seeks to ensure full participation of the people with disabilities as empowered self-advocates in development processes and emergency responses. A system that works to address the barriers hinder their access and participation. With the underlying principles of inherent dignity, non-discrimination, effective inclusion, respect for differences, equal opportunity, accessibility, gender equality, respect for evolving capacities of children with disabilities, the Master Plan for Delhi 2041 envisions development of a disability-inclusive city.

The MPD-2041 is looking to move beyond the creation of ramps and accessible washrooms/ toilets and understand the diverse necessities of Persons with different disabilities and identifying the existing gaps that impede their experience of the city for shaping an enabling urban environment for all. The major objectives of the meeting are to:

- Listen to and understand the needs of the PwD under the larger gamut of universal accessibility while providing infrastructure catering to educational facilities, Livelihood enhancing vocational and skill development avenues, public space for recreation as well as play, economic participation and upliftment in all walks of life.
- Understand the diverse needs of different forms of disabilities including invisible disabilities such as mental health conditions and the changes therein w.r.t. age, gender and socio-economic background.
- Gain insights on the individuals as well as the specific needs of the families of persons with disabilities from organizations working with them.

**Be a part of online consultation by registering through- <https://forms.gle/MeSSAVrCiGADGqWR8>**

**Registrations for the consultation will be open till 11:59 pm IST on Tuesday, 20<sup>th</sup> October 2020.** Subsequently a link to the consultation with the time slot of the consultation and reference material will be shared through registered email.

We look forward to active participation by all the Persons with Disabilities, support groups, Family member / Friend of a Person with Disability and others who are living in Delhi. We also urge you to use this forum to provide constructive feedback and discuss critical issues.

It is requested you to visit our interactive public engagement online portal where suggestions can be given for formulation of vision of Delhi-2041, link to the online portal is:  
[http://119.226.139.196/mpd2041/layouts/Public\\_Suggestion\\_2041/MPDHomeNew.aspx](http://119.226.139.196/mpd2041/layouts/Public_Suggestion_2041/MPDHomeNew.aspx)