



CENTRE FOR DEVELOPMENT STUDIES AND ACTIVITIES



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CENTRE FOR DEVELOPMENT STUDIES AND ACTIVITIES (CDSA)

INTRODUCTION

CDSA is an autonomous research and teaching institution permanently recognised by and affiliated to the University of Pune.

At the national level it is a recognised research institute of the Indian Council for Social Science Research (ICSSR) and the University Grants Commission (UGC).

CDSA was founded in 1976

Rational planning constitutes an essential tool for reconciling any conflict between the needs of development and the need to protect and improve the environment. To ensure objectivity in decision making it is essential to design generic methodologies. The goal of CDSA is to address the goals of poverty alleviation, equity, participatory decision making and sustainable development, and to integrate these issues into development strategies.



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INSTITUTE FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT (ISD)

ISD. was established in 1976 and conducts commissioned and sponsored research projects in rural and urban development.

OVER 150 PROJECTS

SHORT-TERM TRAINING PROGRAMMES ON DEMAND BASIS

SEMINARS, WORKSHOPS & DIALOGUES FOR NGOs AND GOVERNMENT AGENCIES.

CLIMATE CHANGE MITIGATION

DECENTRALISED PLANNING

CORE COMPETENCIES

RURAL PLANNING

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

CAPACITY BUILDING

IMPACT ASSESSMENT

CREATING GENERIC METHODOLOGIES

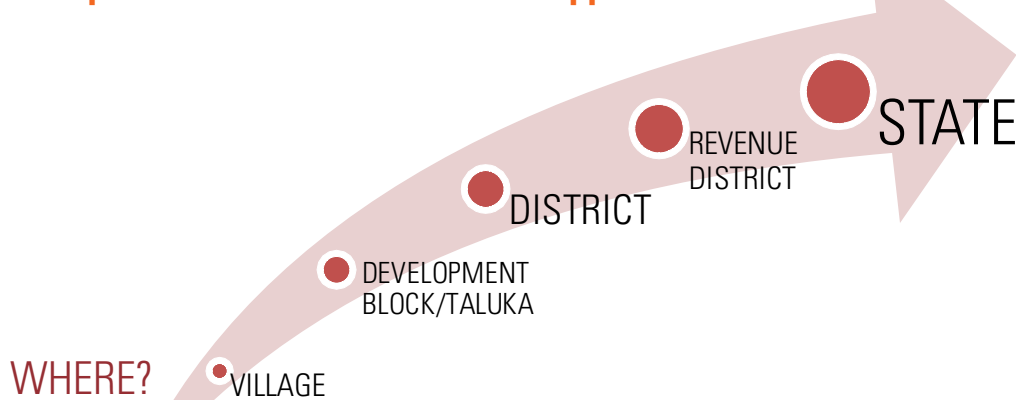
EVALUATION

URBAN PLANNING

DISTRICT DEPRIVATION PROFILE

Poverty reduction, equity , empowerment & sustainable development

A powerful decision making tool that indicates categorically the level of development at the district level & is applicable for the entire state



DATA IS COLLECTED FOR EVERY LEVEL OF GOVERNANCE Information on every pre defined development indicator is available for every scale.

HOW? It is formulated through the convergence of four variables by assessing the level of deprivation/poverty in terms of:

1. INCOME/LIVELIHOOD
2. ACCESS TO AMENITIES, FACILITIES & SERVICES
3. SOCIAL STATUS
4. NATURAL RESOURCES

WHY?

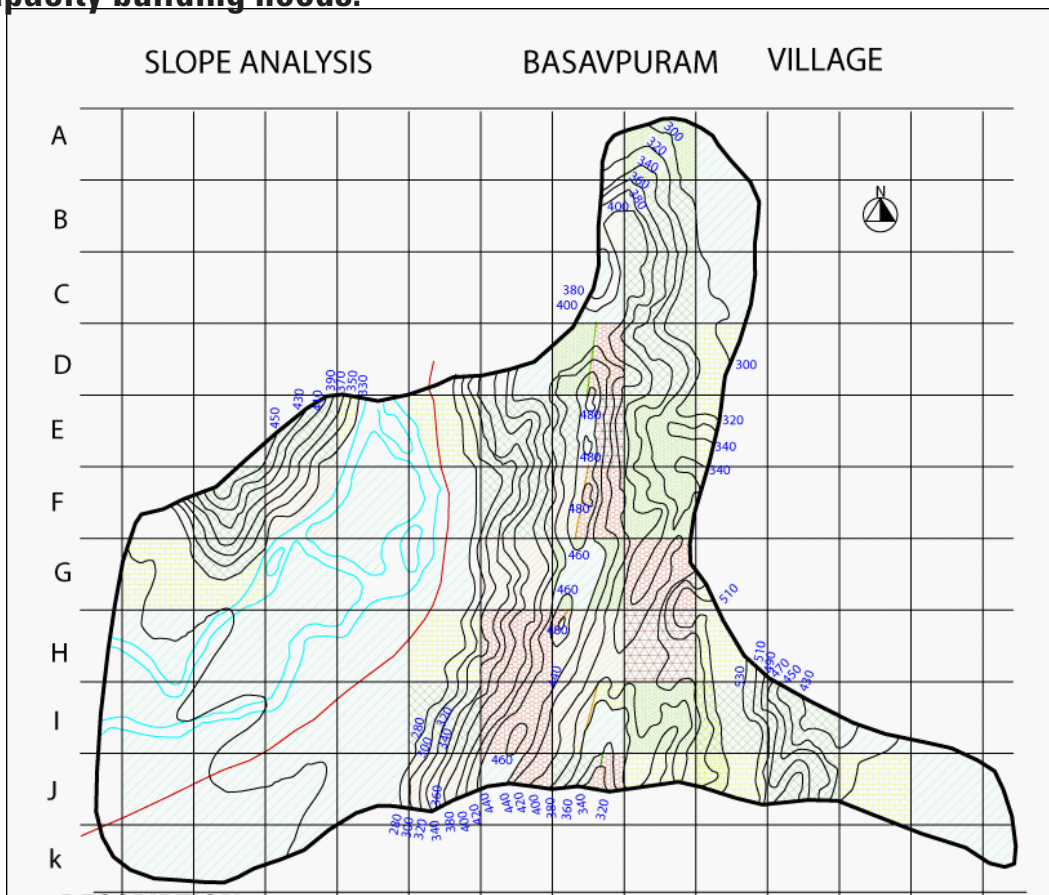
ENABLES & EMPOWERS DECISION MAKERS

- A systematic analytical profile of each village by its various levels of Deprivations.
- Efficiently effectively prioritizes distribution of scarce resources on the basis of needs.
- Provides a Toolkit to "Objectivise" the decision making process.

METHODOLOGY CREATED BY CDSA & USED IN ANDHRA PRADESH (1998), ORISSA (1998)

Climate change mitigation through economic & ecological development at micro level. Where micro watersheds are units of planning.

- Eco-Development at village level.
- Programmatic approach which allows for process monitoring and impact accountability.
- Basic criteria for the planning framework – natural resource typologies.
- Plan includes action dimensions, participants & their roles & responsibilities, institutional dimensions, temporal dimensions, financial dimensions and capacity building needs.



DESCRIPTION

Generic methodology for creating micro land typologies to design appropriate land regeneration and utilisation strategies/ plans.

BIO-DIVERSITY PARK

Climate change mitigation through protection and preservation of urban forests by citizens empowerment and participation.

- Citizens of Pune have fought for protecting the hills since 2003.
- This was to stop construction of buildings on the hills
- Over 100,000 citizens participated in the campaign to save the hills.
- The hills in the 23 new villages were finally protected by the Bio-diversity park reservation in 2005.

CDSA IS IN THE PROCESS OF DESIGNING A PLAN FOR A PORTION OF THE BDP WHERE THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITIES CAN BE CARRIED OUT

- **Aforestation/Reforestation**
- **Devrais (heritage conservation)**
- **Yoga and Meditation areas**
- **Auditoria in quarries**
- **Study tours/ Bio-diversity research**
- **Camping Grounds/ picnic locations**
- **Nature trails**
- **Walking trails, cycle paths**
- **Rock climbing**
- **Water harvesting**

EXECUTIVE TRAINING CENTRE AND HOSTEL

The Executive Training Centre and Hostel (ETCH) provides high quality infrastructure for workshops, seminars, short courses, conferences and training programmes on the CDSA campus.

A CAPACITY FOR 50 PEOPLE WITH 4 DORMETORIES, 12 SINGLE/DOUBLE ROOMS AND 2 SUITS

2 SEMINAR HALLS WITH A CAPACITY FOR MORE THAN 100 PEOPLE



CITIZENS EMPOWERMENT WORKSHOPS

The theme of the workshop was to create a Sustainable City where the inhabitants, through awareness of the consequences of their life style choices are required to make changes to mitigate the ecological impact of their consumption.

THE PROCESS CITIZENS LEARNED WHILE AT THE WORKSHOP

IDENTIFYING THE ELEMENTS & COMPONENTS OF A SUSTAINABLE CITY

FORMING A VISION FOR A SUSTAINABLE CITY

IDENTIFYING INDICATORS & NORMS TO DEFINE A SUSTAINABLE CITY

A STUDY OF EXISTING LANDUSE IN SAMPLE AREAS

ESTIMATING THE CARBON FOOTPRINT

SUGGESTIONS FOR MITIGATING ILL EFFECTS THROUGH A LANDUSE PLAN

A CITIZENS' PLAN FOR A SUSTAINABLE CITY

SCHOOL OF DEVELOPMENT PLANNING

A unique two year multi-disciplinary postgraduate programme (Masters Degree) is the focus of the School of Development Planning (SDP) with an emphasis on creating a cadre of development professionals. The masters degree is awarded by the University of Pune.



CDSA HAS BEEN TEACHING THE MASTERS DEGREE COURSE IN URBAN & RURAL DEVELOPMENT PLANNING FOR 32 YEARS WITH OVER 320 GRADUATES.

SDP PLACES A SPECIAL EMPHASIS ON EMPIRICAL RESEARCH WHERE STUDENTS PERFORM FIELD WORK FOR A MONTH EVERY SEMESTER

ENVIRONMENTAL STATUS REPORT (ESR)

An evaluation of the status of the built and natural environment in a city.

FIELD VISITS



STUDY OF EXISTING SCENARIO



COMPARED EXISTING SCENARIO WITH NORMS



PRIORITIZE EXISTING STRESSES



SUGGEST INTERVENTIONS



PREPARED ENVIRONMENTAL STATUS REPORT

- > The ESR is carried out at the electoral ward level
- > Direct interaction between the elected representative & citizens
- > Citizen participation as per the 74th CAA to identify ward level projects for environmental improvement
- > Takes cognizance of both natural & built environment
- > Leads to an actionable & bankable plans
- > Leads to an annual city plan with a justified budget

RESULTS

- ▮ INADEQUACIES IN CIVIC AMENITIES & FACILITIES.
- ▮ DISCREPANCIES IN LANDUSE.
- ▮ IMPROPER MANAGEMENT OF SOLID WASTE.
- ▮ POLLUTION OF WATERBODIES.
- ▮ HEALTH RISKS IN SLUM AREAS.

BARBARA WARD LIBRARY AND DOCUMENTATION CENTRE

With the focus on giving service to other entities within CDSA, the Barbara Ward Library and Documentation Centre (BWLDC) is the central repository of information with a collection of over 13,000 books and more than a hundred journals and periodicals.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDIES IN ARCHITECTURE

In 2005, CDSA with the Council of Architecture founded the National Institute for Advanced Studies in Architecture (NIASA). NIASA is a national level institute of excellence that facilitates advanced research in the various fields of architecture, to educate teachers students and professionals.



INITIATIVES

THE DEVELOPMENT NETWORK

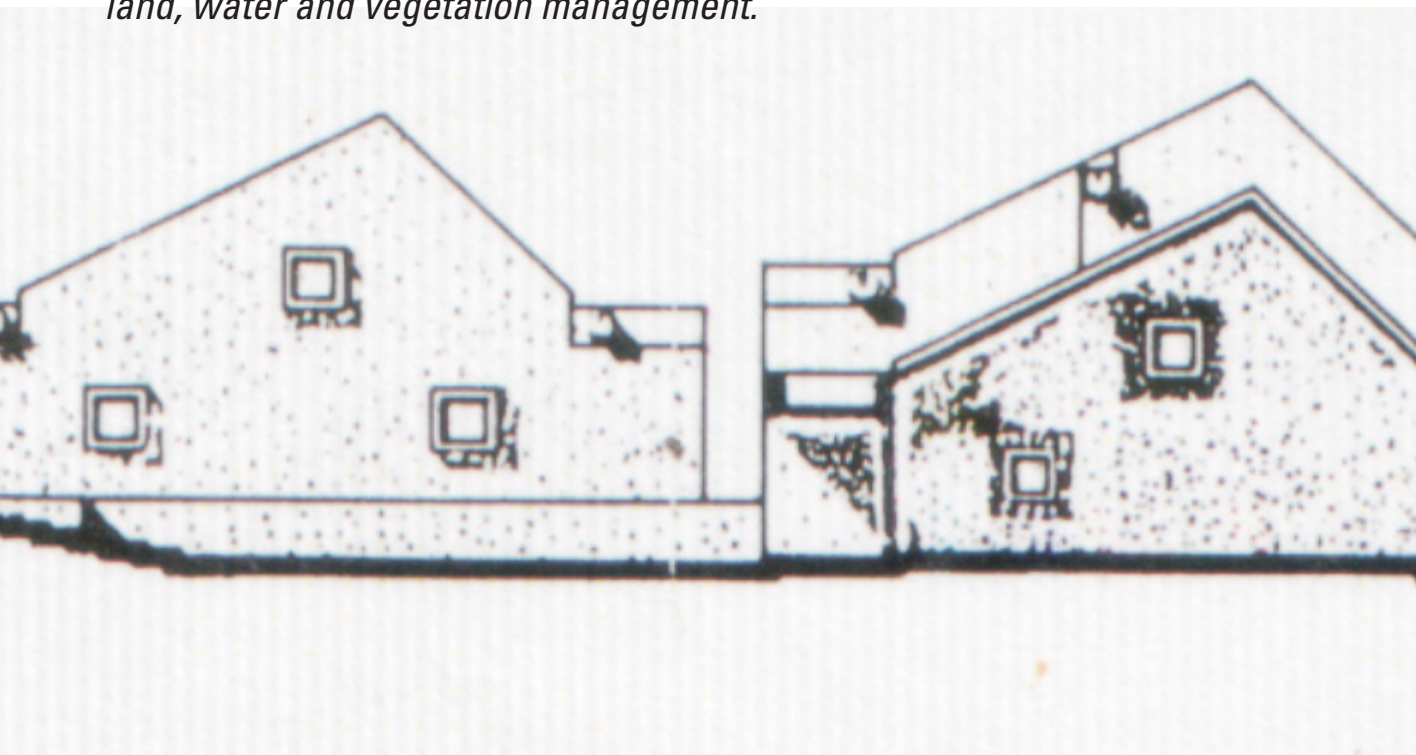
CDSA's QUARTERLY PUBLICATION WITH A MEMBERSHIP OF OVER 1200 NGOs

- *Dissemination of information.*
- *Establishment of linkages among development organisations and individuals in order to share their views, ideas and experiences.*
- *Promotion of mutual co-operation among development agencies.*
- *Facilitation of development partners' access to information source, institutional establishment, resource mobilization.*
- *Enhancement in the spread of development approaches and strategies.*

THE WASTELAND DEVELOPMENT DEMONSTRATION FARM

CDSA's FARM THAT WAS CREATED ON 11 ACRES OF ORIGINALLY BARREN LAND

- *Upgradation of Land through various conservation and regeneration practices.*
- *Water conservation and harvesting by using innovative and traditional methods.*
- *Tree plantation for improving land/water conservation to provide fodder, fuel and income.*
- *Developing and understanding of the terms-of-trade for marketing of vegetables and fruits through the regulated market at Pune as well as street-corner retailing.*
- *Preparation and testing of training modules on wasteland regeneration through land, water and vegetation management.*







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