

## DEPARTMENT PROFILE

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### ABOUT THE SCHOOL

Established in 1972 and working with the motto “*SHAPING SPACES TO SHAPE FUTURES*”, the School is one of the premier institutions in North-West India to impart education and training in the field of Urban, Regional and Infrastructure Planning. The prime objectives of Guru Ramdas School of Planning are:

1. To create human resources for the region and the country for planning and managing human settlements.
2. To carry out research and consultancy in various aspects of spatial planning.

More than 1200 graduates of School are serving and practicing in different positions in India and abroad. More than ten Chief Town Planners served in various States of India, are alumni of the School. The programme(s) of the School recognized by AICTE, UGC and ITPI are as follows:

**Master of Technology (Urban & Regional Planning) Five Year Integrated Programme:** The general objective of programme is to produce qualified professionals specializing in urban and regional planning and development to support the efforts of the regional and municipal governments and private sector in undertaking planning and development programs. The Program aims at producing graduates equipped with skills and practices in urban planning at entry levels.

**Master of Technology (Urban Planning):** The general objective of the programme is to produce highly qualified professionals specializing in urban planning and development to support the efforts of the regional and municipal governments and private sector in undertaking urban planning and development programs. The programme aims at producing post graduates equipped with theories and practices in urban planning at different urban levels.

**Master of Technology (Infrastructure Planning):** The general objective of the programme is to produce highly qualified professionals specializing in physical and social infrastructure planning to support the efforts of the regional and municipal governments and private sector in undertaking infrastructure planning and development programs. The programme aims at producing post graduates equipped with theories and practices in infrastructure planning at various levels.

**Master of Technology (Transport Planning):** The general objective of the programme is to produce highly qualified professionals specializing in transportation planning to support the efforts of the regional and municipal governments and private sector in undertaking transportation

planning and development programs. The programme aims at producing post graduates equipped with theories and practices in transportation planning at various levels.

### **Ph.D.**

The Department also offers facilities for research in planning areas leading to Ph.D. degrees.

### **COURSE CURRICULUM**

The above programme(s) have market-oriented curriculums which are comparable with other Planning Schools in the country. The course curriculums include:

1. Theory Subjects; Basic, core and advanced/specialized subjects/ Pre-Ph.D. courses/ Interdisciplinary courses at U.G. level & P.G. level.
2. Studio Exercises; site plans, perspective/development plans of urban centers and regional plans.
3. Field Visits; for data collection and area assimilation.
4. City Exposure; to understand the structure and projects undertaken by the public and private planning organizations in a city.
5. Internship; Exposure to work practices in the offices and undertaking/review of current projects.
6. Dissertation/Thesis; Detailed studies and the analytical findings leading to recommendations/development strategies based on the selected field.

### **FACILITIES**

The School is well equipped with the required laboratories having latest instruments.

- ICT Enabled Class Rooms and Studios
- ICT Enabled Computer Lab
- Documentation Centre
- Surveying Lab
- Map & Model Making Lab
- Transportation Lab
- Photography Lab

### **STRENGTHS OF THE SCHOOL**

1. Market oriented curriculum
2. Professional & well-trained faculty.
3. Faculty interactions with national/international institutes.
4. Institutional collaborations membership of the School with National and International Institute.
5. Liaison with government as well as number of private sector planning organizations.

### **SCHOOL ALUMNI AND PLACEMENT INFORMATION**

The School boasts of Illustrious Alumni who are carving a niche for themselves in public and private sector organizations both in India and abroad. The graduates of the School practices as registered planners as well.

## **CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

### **Sports**

**Cultural: JASHAN, NOSPLAN**

### **Alumni Meet**

The School organizes its alumni meet each year. For activities of the alumni visit [www.gnduaa.org](http://www.gnduaa.org).

### **NOSPLAN**

The Students have been participating in NOSPLAN (National Organization of Students of Planning) since its inception in 1993. The NOSPLAN 2006 was hosted by the School.

### **Co-Curricular Activities at University Level**

The students of the School are active participants in extra-curricular events at the University, regional and national levels. It is the platform for the interaction of students from all Schools of Planning in India.

## **RESEARCH AND CONSULTANCY**

The School imparts consultancy services in Urban and Regional Planning projects on spatial, housing, transportation, environmental, infrastructure and transportation, regional and rural planning concerns to the State Governments, Urban Local Bodies and Private Enterprises. To name a few, following are the areas of concern:

- City Development Plans
- Zonal Development Plans
- Regional and Block Development Plans
- Environment Improvement Programme(s)
- Transportation Studies and Solutions
- Infrastructure Planning and Management
- Planning and Design of Residential, Commercial and Other Areas
- Redevelopment, Conservation of Heritage and Urban Rehabilitations Studies
- Advise to State and Local Governments on Different Development Policies and Strategies.
- Town Planning Capacity building Programme(s).