# TOWARDS ALTERNATIVE URBAN FUTURES FOR INDIA



# Small and New Cities can be World Class with Great Quality of Living

Beyond the Megacities: Shaping the next generation of cities in India

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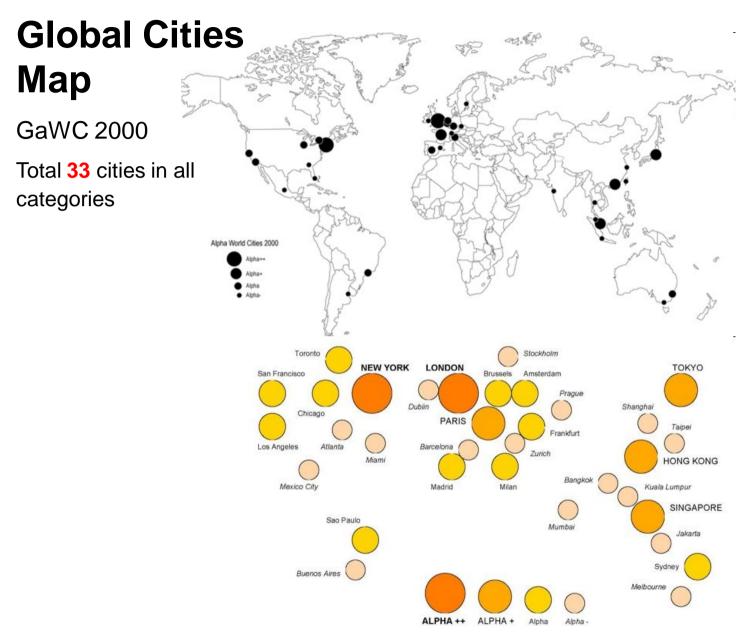














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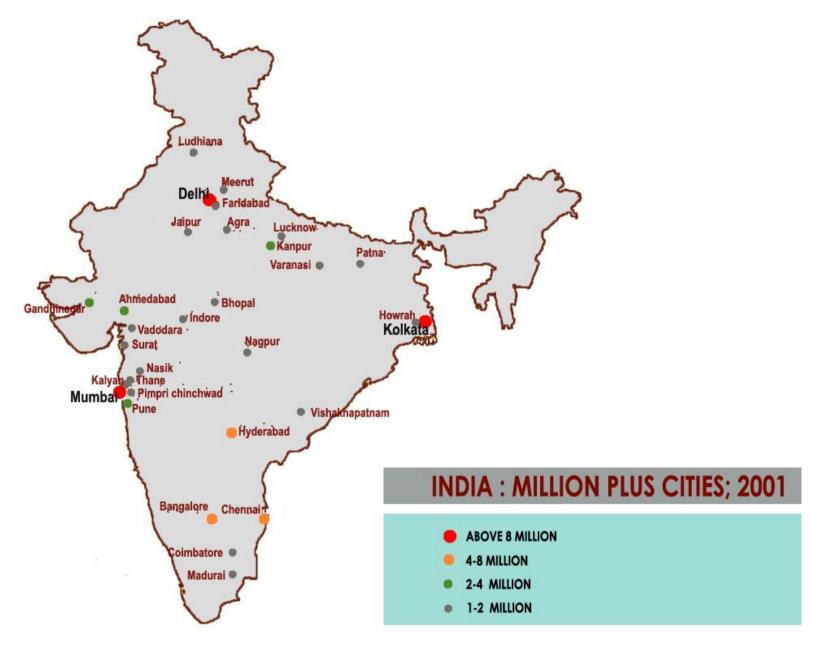
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In 2005, the world had 336 cities with 1 million or more residents

By 2015 the world will have over 500 cities with 1 million or more residents.





4000 cities and towns in India

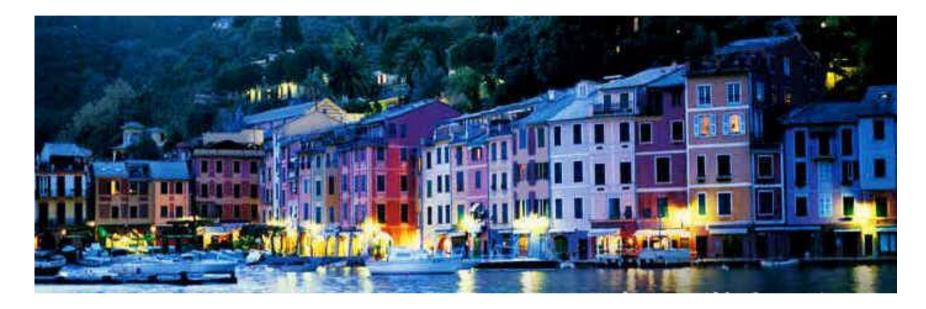
49% of the population live in cities and towns with a population of 1 million or less

By 2040, another 350-400 million people will be added to cities

# Where will they live?



## The new urban landscape of India





# **Integrated Townships**





### **SEZs**







### **JNNURM**







## **New Cities**



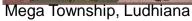
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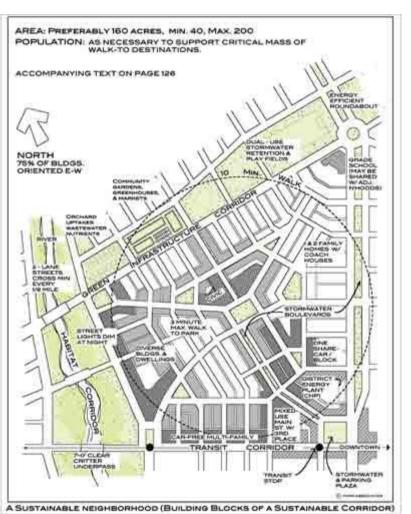


# Opportunity to attain sustainable urbanism in smaller cities











# **Smaller cities with Quality of Living as USP**

Mercer's Quality of Living Survey 2009 &					
	City	Country	Rating		
1	Vienna	Austria	108.6		
2	Zürich	Switzerland	108		
3	Geneva	Switzerland	107.9		
4	Vancouver	Canada	107.4		
	Auckland	New Zealand	107.4		
6	Düsseldorf	Germany	107.2		
7	Munich	Germany	107		
8	Frankfurt	Germany	106.8		
9	Bern	Switzerland	106.5		
10	Sydney	Australia	106.3		

	The Economist's World's Most Livable Cities 2009 &					
	City	Country	Rating			
1	Vancouver	Canada	98.0			
2	Vienna	Austria	97.9			
3	Melbourne	Australia	97.5			
4	Toronto	Canada	97.2			
_	Perth	Australia	96.6			
5	Calgary	Canada	96.6			
7	Helsinki	Finland	96.2			
	Geneva	Switzerland	96.1			
8	Sydney	Australia	96.1			
	Zürich	Switzerland	96.1			

M	Monocle's Most Livable Cities Index 2009					
	City	Country	2008			
1	Zürich	Switzerland	(04)			
2	Copenhagen	Denmark	(01)			
3	Tokyo	Japan	(03)			
4	Munich	Germany	(02)			
5	Helsinki	Finland	(05)			
6	Stockholm	Sweden	(07)			
7	Vienna	Austria	(06)			
8	Paris	France	(10)			
9	Melbourne	Australia	(09)			
10	Berlin	Germany	(14)			



# Qualities people look for in a place

Mercer's quality of living factors							
Political & Social Environment	Medical & Health Considerations	Public Services & Transport	Consumer Goods				
Relationship with other Countries Internal Stability Crime Law Enforcement Ease of Entry and Exit  Economic Environment  Currency Exchange Regulations Banking Services  Socio-Cultural Environment  Limitation on Personal Freedom Media & Censorship	<ul> <li>Hospital         Services</li> <li>Medical         Services</li> <li>Infectious         Diseases</li> <li>Water</li> </ul>	■ Electricity ■ Water	<ul> <li>Meat &amp; Fish</li> <li>Fresh Fruits &amp; Vegetables</li> <li>Daily Consumption Items</li> <li>Alcoholic Beverages</li> <li>Automobiles</li> <li>Housing</li> <li>Household Appliances &amp; Furniture</li> <li>Household Maintenance &amp; Repair</li> </ul>				



# **Promoting Sustainable Urban Design**





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#### Box 1: Sustainable Design for Naya Raipur

#### IL ENMRONMENTAL PROTECTION.

Any development that has, or is in the vicinity of, an environmental feature such as natural termin, drainage channels, and vegetation, needs to refer to this section of the code to preserve and highlight the importance of natural features, and sensitive areas.

#### 9 NATURAL RESOURCES.

All development should be guided by the ideas in this section to promote construction, and living in the city within natural resource limits and small ecological footprints by managing water, land, energy, materials and waste.

#### B. ACCESS

All development concerning the public realm should refer to this section to integrate pedestrian and bike paths into the movement network of the city and provide universal access for people with different abilities to all civilo, outlural, recreational and commercial uses.

#### 4. PLACES OF HIGH QUALITY.

All development concerning creation of high quality public places such as parks, significant plazes and squares around public buildings should refer to this section of the code to integrate dimatological concerns with iivability and imageability concerns in landscape design, building design and public space design.

#### B. QUALITY AND DIVERSITY OF HOUSING.

All residential development should refer to this section of the code to create complete and integrated neighborhoods containing homes, shops, workplaces, schools, civic facilities, parks and diverse open spaces and a diverse range of housing types.

#### B. QUALITY WORK PLACES:

All development concerning creation of quality office spaces and other work environments including commercial, in centers such as the CBD, amenity spine, transport hub, industrial area and university area, should refer to this section of the code.



# Can a small city be world class in all respects?

Easier achieve higher quality in a smaller place

Easier to manage and govern the urban public realm

Easier to afford a higher quality of living

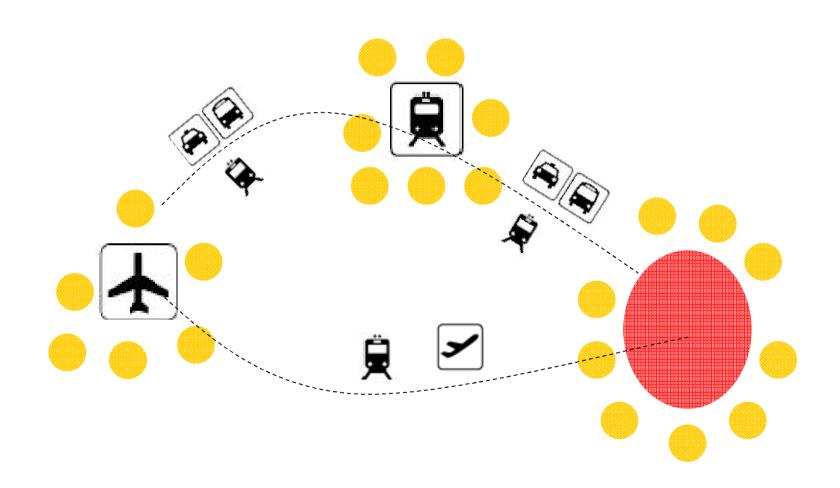
# Then why aren't people migrating more to smaller cities?

Lack of opportunity

Lack of connectivity

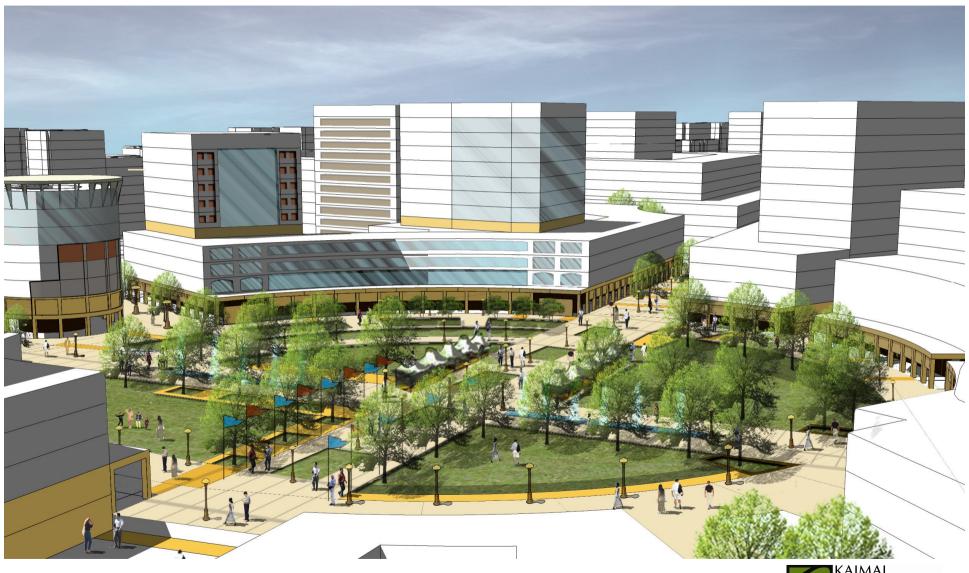


# Well networked city clusters across the country





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