19th September 2023 – Webinar **Parvat Manthan Form: Manifestation of Clean and Sustainable Hill States, National Institute of Urban** <u>Affairs (NIUA) along with Borda South Asia and Integrated Mountain Initiative</u> (IMI)

How to Plan Resilient Himalayan Cities?

Talking Points: Macro perspective on sustainable development and urbanisation in hill cities in the Himalayas (online)

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Talking Points: Take a macro perspective on sustainable development and urbanisation in hill cities in the Himalayas

- Sustainable Development Goals (11, 8-12-14, 13-15, 17)
- Economic and Security Agenda vs Landscape Compromises
- Monitoring on Indicators
- Resilience Markers
- Performance-based Incentivization



Link livelihood-tourism-economy-ecology

• Significance as Economic Avenue

• Significance at the cost of Socio-Ecological Impact

 Responsible Tourism with Carrying Capacity Plan, Monitoring System, Performance Index (Policy, Good Governance, Management), Green Financing



Talk about necessity of taking a wholistic view

Integrated Landscape Management

• Stakeholdership

• Transdisciplinary Aspects/Convergence



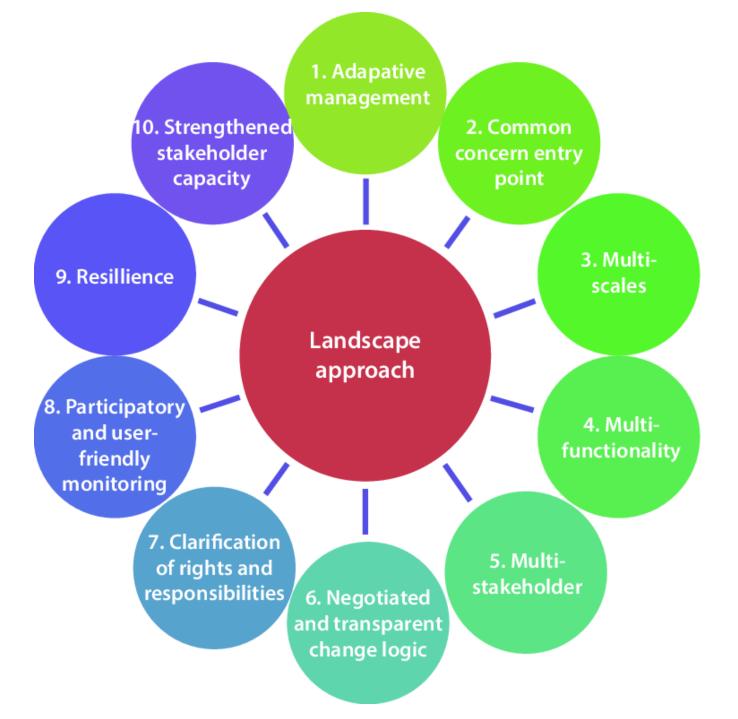




What are integrated landscape approaches and how effectively have they been implemented in the tropics: a systematic map James Reed, Liz Deakin, Josh van Vlanen, Terry Sunderland (CIFOR) ATBC, Honolulu, July 13° 2015

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- Why are the current planning exercises not adequate?
- Stakeholder dialogues
- Data/Info Use
- Implementation and Management
- Capacities/Awareness/Willingness on Good Governance (Four-Tier Interface)
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Build a story on what needs to be changed at the national thought/planning level

- **Responsible Tourism** \bullet
- **Carrying Capacity**
- Business Plan with Applied Research Component ullet
- M&E Learning \bullet
- Use of Data/Info/Knowledge for the next level of change/innovation \bullet

Few /Research Queries

- Are public schemes/investments toward urbanization or rural development are affecting social collectivism so that lowest tier of planning and development is rights oriented and not responsibility conscious?
- Make a comparative analysis of learning from donor driven (with Holistic Development as outcome) vs Nature Conservation).
- Given the spate of unprecedent disasters, how is the performance of Resilience Investments.
- Comparative analysis between Resilient communities focused on socio-cultural traits with those that are mainstreamed Resilience.
- Is landscape approach, if done in full spirit a panacea for Green Mountain Towns?
- Incentive based mechanisms as economic instrument, how effective so far, and what is learning?





