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Sub: Implementation of recommendations in "Reforms in Urban Planning Capacity in India"

Respected Madam/Sir,

NITI Aayog had constituted an Advisory Committee on Reforms in Urban Planning Education in India' in October 2020. The consultative process resulted in a comprehensive document called "Reforms in Urban Planning Capacity in India" September 2021. It presented a condensed outcome of the deliberations with the committee members, eminent experts, academia, and professionals.

The report lays down a set of 14 recommendations for reforms. Some of these are pertaining to higher education. The Advisory Committee recommends to **Develop India-Centric Solutions'**. It has been recommended that the history of human settlements in the Indian subcontinent be taught to all young planners in a manner that can help them draw learning about planning and management of ancient and medieval human settlements in India.

The Advisory Committee also recommends **'More Exposure in Curricula on Economics'** and a deeper focus on the subject matter of economics to be brought in by the educational institutions while educating the future planners. The report of Advisory Committee is available on <u>https://www.niti.gov.in/sites/default/files/2021-09/UrbanPlanningCapacity-</u> in-India-16092021.pdf.

All the universities and its affiliated/constituent colleges/institutions are requested to comply with the recommendations of the NITI Aayog Advisory Committee in letter and spirit.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

(Rainish Jain)

To The Vice-Chancellors of all Universities The Principals of all Colleges/Institutions