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**MANAGING PUBLIC OPEN SPACES
BEYOND PLANNING AND DESIGN-
LESSONS FROM STUDIO TO SITE.**

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Background

Perception of public open spaces has a repercussion in the way it is used and also the way they are planned, designed, provided, managed and maintained. This attributes to the state of public open spaces in the fast developing cities, where they are diminishing not only in quantity but they are deteriorating in quality. There is no single blueprint for a good public open space. It is dependent on every person's perception and expected 'role and characteristic' from the space. However, there are principles that are vital to define their roles and characteristics which favourably or unfavourably influence the use or non-use of the space. An important role of public open space is that it is a 'multifunctional space'.

The lecture highlights the public open space in the context of design, planning, provision, maintenance and management. It looks at the way public open spaces are dealt in theory and in practice through looking at their meanings, roles and characteristics and their provision. The aim is to

- Advocate for public open space as a necessary social infrastructure.
- Discuss the parameters for design of public open space.
- Work towards principles necessary for policy on public open space.
- Awareness on public open space provision, use and management.
- Course development on public open space management for professionals/ researchers.

Outline

The lecture period is divided into three sessions.

- Public Open Space Management: In Theory
- Public Open Space Management: In Practice (Research)
- Public Open Space Management: In Practice (Professional)

Beneficiaries- The lecture is useful for students, researchers & teachers, professionals as training.

Number of Participants- is open to School's discretion.

Time Duration- The lecture is for 2+ hours including a short break.

Schedule- The lecture timings shall be organised as per the availability of the Institution.

Fees and Payment Schedule- The fee for the lecture is 4000 INR. The fee shall be confirmed in advance. The payments shall be made in advance or on the day of the lecture by cash or cheque (plus taxes) directed to: Mansee Bal Bhargava (*bank details on request)

Disclaimer: The lecture also motivates students to start preparing their travelogues.

About the Coordinator-



Hi! I'm Dr. Mansee Bal Bhargava. I'm a transdisciplinary scholar interested in sustainability and liveability aspects of urban architecture-design-development-planning-management-governance. I'm involved in consultancy, research and academia in India and abroad. My consultancy focus is on large scale residential, recreational, institutional, and industrial developments with inclination towards ecological conservation. My research focus is on social-ecological systems, particularly like water bodies and public open spaces. My PhD from Erasmus University Rotterdam is on Urban Lake Governance in India. My teachings are in the form of workshops on unconventional subjects in multi-disciplines.

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