Building New Cities

A Case Study---- Greater Noida

Lessons from NCR
National Capital Region

• Conceived to disperse Delhi immigration
• Ghaziabad, Faridabad----city extensions
• Gurgaon/Manesar
• Noida
• Greater Noida ---- 1991
• The main states---- Haryana, Uttar Pradesh
Two Models

• Haryana Model---- Broad Land Use Plan by State: Private Developers develop land ----- Segmented Approach

• Uttar Pradesh Model----- State Agency acquires land. Prepares a development Master Plan---- Integrated View
UP Cities

• Ghaziabad------ extension of old city

• Noida------ to relocate Delhi industries

• Greater Noida ------ founded in 1991-92
Greater Noida

• Handful of new integrated cities

• Greater Noida Industrial Development Authority:- Responsible for
  ▪ Planning, Development, O&M
  ▪ Regulation
  ▪ Investment Promotion

• A One Stop Shop for the City

• Industrial Area Development Act 1976
Proposed Urban Area

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• Phase-3 (up to 2021)
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Challenges…
Planning and Infrastructure Design

• How do we develop the City Infrastructure
• How do we decide the quality and standard of facilities
  ➢ Planning for Abundance : Change of Mind Set
• Providing Housing and Water for all
• How to make the city a pleasant place to live in
  ➢ Providing Clean, Healthy, and Green Environment
  ➢ Harmony of Urban Form and Landscaping
  ➢ Life Style compatible lay-outs
Challenges...

Infrastructure development and its O&M

- How do we ensure development and maintenance after city is populated?
- Management of Urban Services on commercial principles
- Providing for the controlled growth of Informal sector
- Employment opportunities And Population Explosion : counter magnets, satellite towns...
- Security of citizens
Challenges…

• Decentralisation and delegation of power
• Inclusion of stakeholders
• Shared Vision and Codified Systems
• Simplified Regulations and **Uniform Enforcement**
• **Manage Change: Acceptance of new vision**
• Champions--- within and without
• Delegate, communicate, public ownership
• Political cohesion and accountability
Challenges …

Persistent Cash-flow deficit as cities mature . . .

• Funding the Infrastructure Development and maintenance of cities
  ➢ Revenue from tax collection goes to center or states kitty
  ➢ Discretionary allocation of budget, at the mercy of center or state who does not control the problems that city is facing
  ➢ Nil or abysmally low revenue collection for real municipal functions
URBAN SCENARIO

DELHI
230 LACKS

GHAZIABAD
30 LACKS

NOIDA
15 LACKS

GREATER NOIDA
12 LACKS

FARIDABAD
25 LACKS

GURGAON
16.5 LACKS
Positioning of Greater Noida

• High Quality of infrastructure

• Land of Plenty: “Supply to Precede Demand”

• A Green Lung of the region, marked difference in greenery and openness—a relief from the urban sprawl of the rest of the NCR

• Landscaped/ Urban Design--Pleasant place to be and live in

• Innovative Planning
VISION FOR THE CITY

• A MODERN, EFFICIENT CITY OF INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS

• AN ECO-FRIENDLY RELAXED ENVIRONMENT:
  • GREEN, LANDSCAPED, FLOWERS, FOUNTAINS, AESTHETICS.

• LAND OF PLENTY: SUPPLY TO PRECEDE DEMAND
VISION FOR THE CITY

• HOLISTIC PLANNING TO COVER ALL URBANISATION ISSUES.

• PARTICIPATION OF THE RURAL POPULATION IN URBANISATION.

• A PRO-ACTIVE INVESTOR-FRIENDLY FRAMEWORK.
The Development Model

Provide Quality Infrastructure (Physical and Social)

Attract Industries

Education Hub

Leisure Destination

City Development

Generate Employment

How did we approach...
Our Approach to Counter Challenges

... 3 Node Approach

1. Meticulous Planning / Development
   - Concept Structure Plan
   - Land use Master Plan
   - Transportation Plan
   - Services Master Plan
   - Phasing Plan
   - Landscaping Plan
   - Development as per Plan

2. Innovative Governance Strategy
   - Simple Regulations
   - Transparency
   - Uniform Enforcement

3. Fund Management
   - Funds for Development
   - Funds for O&M

Fund Flow:
- 1 → 2
- 2 → 3
- 3 → 1
Challenges…

Drawbacks in Planning Process

- LACK OF CLARITY OF VISION: CONFLICTING CLAIMS
- VERY LITTLE EMPHASIS ON IMPLEMENTATION OF PLAN
- DIVORCE OF PHYSICAL PLAN FROM FISCAL PLAN
- ABSENCE OF TRANSPORTATION MASTER PLAN
- NO ATTENTION TO
  - LANDSCAPING
  - URBAN DESIGN
  - URBAN FORM
- TENDENCY TO LOSE SIGHT OF THE INDIVIDUAL
Challenges …

Drawbacks in Existing Indian Cities

• DIRTY AND UNKEMPT

• INADEQUATE AND SUBSTANDARD SERVICES AND FACILITIES

• POOR MAINTENANCE

• WEAK ENFORCEMENT OF LAWS

• INADEQUATE PROVISION OF HOUSING FOR WEAKER SECTIONS

• AD HOC FIXES RATHER THAN LONG TERM SOLUTIONS

• SHORTAGE OF FUNDS
Therefore, learning from our existing cities...........

In Greater Noida, focus and emphasis was given on controlled planning, development, regulating unplanned development and on efficient maintenance of the city infrastructure, all this from day one.
EVOLUTION OF THE
CONCEPT STRUCTURE PLAN
Land Suitability Analysis

- Proximity to linkages
- Proximity to existing settlements
- Ground water availability
- Soil type and soil bearing capacity
- Drainage pattern
- Proximity to ecologically sensitive areas.
Superimposition by weightage method to identify

- Areas most suitable and moderately suitable for urbanisation.
- Ecologically sensitive areas not suitable for urban development.
- Ground water re-charge areas not suitable for urban development.
- Areas away from main approaches and should be taken up as last priority for urbanisation.
EXISTING AND PROPOSED LAND USES FOR 2011 & 2021

LEGEND
- RESIDENTIAL ZONE
- COMMERCIAL ZONE
- INSTITUTIONAL ZONE
- UTILITIES
- GREEN AREAS
- WATER BODIES
- TRANSPORTATION
- REAL AND RELATED USE

SCALE:

1000 M 500 M 1000 M 2000 M 3000 M

DRAFT MASTER PLAN
GREATER NOIDA - 2021

THE REVISED DRAFT MASTER PLAN WAS PRESENTED IN THE 51ST BOARD MEETING HELD ON 08.11.04. THE REVISION DONE WERE:
- THE REVISED ALIGNMENT OF TAJ EXPRESSWAY;
- CANTONMENT ALONG G.T. ROAD CONVERTED INTO AGRICULTURAL USE;
- INSTITUTIONAL AREA REVISED ALONG TAJ EXPRESSWAY.

THE REVISED DRAFT MASTER PLAN WAS PRESENTED IN THE 46TH BOARD MEETING HELD ON 25.03.03. THE REVISION DONE WERE:
- THE ALIGNMENT OF BY PASS ROAD FROM NH-24 TO DCS ROAD;
- CHANGE IN SHAPE OF OMEGA-I&II, PHI-I&II, CHI-I&II

THE DRAFT MASTER PLAN WAS PRESENTED IN THE 40TH BOARD MEETING HELD ON 17.7.01. THE FOLLOWING CHANGES WERE DONE:
- SHIFTING OF AIRPORT, PROVISION OF METRO RAIL AND THE PROPOSAL WAS APPROVED.

PLANNED AND RELATED CHANGES APPROVED WERE:
- REALIGNMENT OF 130.0M WIDE ROAD, SHIFTING OF AIRPORT AS PER FEASIBILITY REPORT, PROVISION OF INSTITUTIONAL GREEN, SHIFTING OF REGIONAL LEVEL INSTITUTIONAL, PROVISION OF CANTONMENT.

REVISIONS MADE IN THE PLANS NO. DATE

1. 17.07.01
2. 25.03.03
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4. 25.03.03
5. 17.11.04

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Assessed and addressed the Transportation Linkages as city perceived to be far from Delhi…Distance reduced to 20 min

- **Regional Connectivity**
  - 6 lane Express way
  - Link road to NH-24
  - Rail Link to Delhi
  - Taj Expressway from Greater Noida to Agra
  - Delhi Metro project on anvil
CONCEPT PLAN, GREATER NOIDA - 2021
Salient features of the Plan

- Adequate road and rail linkages for movement of commuters and freight.
- Grid iron pattern of road network with economic activities located on the major routes to support an efficient Mass Transportation System.
- A 130.0 m. wide road has been planned as the backbone of the linear city for connecting the northern end to the southern part of the city and also to Noida and Delhi.
- Regional level landuses located at the periphery of the city
Salient features of the Plan

- Major work centers are well distributed throughout the city.
- Industrial, Institutional areas planned on the periphery to cater to the region.
- Industrial, Institutional areas are planned with all common facilities required within the area.
- Residential areas planned with a hierarchy of community facilities and open spaces.
Road Network

HEIRARCHY OF ROAD NETWORK

- 130m. wide main arterial road (Central Spine from North-west to South-East)
- 105 m. wide the Meridian road.
- 80 m. wide Promenade (S.K. Road) and road along kot escape.
- 75 m. wide Noida-Greater Noida Expressway.
- 60 m. wide sector peripheral roads.
- 45 m. wide DSC Road (existing) road along railway line.
- Typical cross section for roads designed for provision for NMVs, bus lanes, pedestrian facilities, space for all services
TYPICAL CROSS SECTION FOR ARTERIAL & SECTORAL ROADS

TYPICAL CROSS SECTION FOR 80m ROW ROAD

TYPICAL CROSS SECTION FOR 130m ROW ROAD WITH HCBS
PLANNING FOR ALL

APPROACH TO PLANNING

INFORMAL SECTOR → NEIGHBOURHOOD

BLOCK → SECTOR

COMMUNITY → CITY → REGION
Elements of City Planning

• Sector layouts critical in defining a city’s lifestyle.

• Parks and playgrounds---- Flowing Greens --- 45% area under roads and open spaces.

• Daily Needs at Walking Distances

• Equitable norms for social infrastructure defined for each sector; provided from the beginning
Thought-through plan addressing the likely problems of today's cities

• Informal Sector planned as an integral part of the city
• Provision of Kiosks at Strategic Locations
• Convenient earmarked places for hawkers
• Weekly markets
• Sites for housing for informal sector: 5% of residential area
• Urbanisation and Integration of Villages with the city
Roads built for almost full traffic from the start
- No direct access on arterial roads
- Design and maintenance norms specified
- Pedestrian/Cycle Movement Plan
- Liberal Parking Norms
- No parking in Road Right of Way
- Parking areas identified/developed
- Bus bays as part of road design
- Bus shelters
The distinguishing characteristic of Greater Noida

... Urban Design Plan

• Emphasis on City Aesthetics
  ➢ *Manicured Landscapes.*
  ➢ *Solid Waste Management System.*
  ➢ Well planned Street Furniture.
  ➢ Harmony of form and colour of buildings.
  ➢ Development of Focal Points.
The Landscaping Plan

- **Key Features**
  - About 25% area reserved for Greenery
  - Interlinked green spaces – continuous lung space
  - Green belts along arterial roads to control development, improve aesthetics and environment
  - Introduced innovative concept of institutional green areas
  - Detailed tree plantation plan to ensure shade & flowers round the year
• Ensuring Streetscape
  - Detailed Signage Plan
  - No hoardings permitted in the city
  - Controlled Signages and Display Boards
  - No-Bills / No Painting on walls - Heavy penalties
  - Large Plot owners to install illuminated boards
  - Provisioning for Public Conveniences
  - Well laid out avenues
• **Harmony of Urban Form**
  - Norms defined for ramps, design / height of boundary walls, plantation, plinth height
  - Predefined Colour Scheme for buildings on main roads
  - All services provided inside individual premises at the time of initial development
  - Building Lines Specified through detailed Zonal Plan
Elements of City Planning

- City Level Infrastructure
- Land Use Plans/ Zoning regulations
- Sewerage and Solid Waste
- Environmental Impact— Water Harvesting
- Institutions/Industries
- Soft Infrastructure
- Shelter for the poor
- Life style requirements
The City

- A Human Enterprise
- A segment of land where people have chosen to live and work
- Mosaic of activities and buildings
- Woven together by a network of streets, transportation, utilities
- Held together by social bonds and economic conditions
Role of City Planning

• A City Plan has to arrange all these elements properly as the city develops

• Not simply about the construction of buildings and parking lots on isolated parcels, and the physical infrastructure

• In the aggregate it is about something much larger and significant to all citizens: community building.
Our Obsession was to make Greater Noida a Modern, Composite and Efficient City of International Standards
• Challenge is just not in the visioning and initial development of the city

• Maintenance **is a continuous process**

• To ensure sustainability of services, byelaws, maintaining streetscape, controlling informal sector

• Merely systems not sufficient:
THANK YOU
Land Use Plan
Not only developed but controlled
Its compliance

- Total Urbanisable Area up to 2021 is 20,000 Ha

- Residential: 25%
- Commercial: 13%
- Institutional: 19%
- Industrial: 12%
- Green: 6%
- Transportation: 25%

[Diagram showing the distribution of land use types]
.... Services Planned and ensured at the stage of Master Plan

- Separate Services Master Plans prepared
  - Water Supply Network
  - Transportation Planning
  - Sewerage System
  - Power Distribution Plan
  - Convergence Network Plan
  - Solid Waste Management Plan
  - Landscaping Plan

Provisioning as per these Plans
…. Well planned road network, Can cater to even DMRC’s requirement

• Key Features
  - 130 m ROW road as the backbone connecting the northern end to southern end
  - Hierarchy of Roads (sector roads 60-108m ROW)
  - Slow moving traffic only on service lane of arterial roads
…. Expansion plan to cater to increase in population

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**Phasing Criteria**
“Supply” always ahead of the “Demand”
Governance and Regulation Model
Greater Noida was set-up in January 1991 under the UP Industrial Area Development Act 1976.

The Act mandates planning, development, operations & maintenance as well as regulation functions.

GNIDA as the Investment Promotion Agency.
Lean Management Structure

- Lean Management & Operative Organisation Structure
  - Outsourcing of activities
  - Following the Management contract route to Operate and Maintain the services
  - Computer based operative and implementation systems
Evolved the Concept Structure Plan

- *Strong Regional Linkages*
- Linear City, with Central Spine
- Grid Iron Pattern
- National / Regional Activities on periphery
- Industrial Areas located on Periphery
- *Well distributed Commercial / Institutional*
- *Interlinked Greens*
- Ecologically Sensitive Areas
- *Ground Water Recharge Areas*
Guideline and Systems

• Minimal Regulation --- Strict Compliance
• Emphasis on ‘Envelope Concept’
  ➢ Periphery of building (Setback, Ground coverage, FAR, Building height)
  ➢ Internal details are prerogative of Owners
• Well defined Bye-laws, guidelines & directions for development
• Clear time frames for various clearances

• Certification of Plans by Architects
• Deemed Completion
Setting Performance Standards

• Quantitative standards defined for services (Downtime, complaint response time, periodicity & frequency of service, preventive maintenance)
  ➢ Power Supply
  ➢ Water Supply & Sewage Treatment
  ➢ Solid Waste Management
  ➢ Convergence Network
  ➢ Road Maintenance
  ➢ Security of public & private properties

• Strict penalties defined for violation of these standards by operators
Transparent Administration

• Simplified regulations

• Uniformity in enforcement

• Exceptions only in very rare cases

• System for land allotment and tendering well publicised.

• Transparency
Powers have been decentralized and given to Neighbourhood Management Councils, ensuring compliance of laws relating to planning and maintenance of services.

Enhanced Role for Community
Powers, Duties and Responsibilities of NMCs

- Implementation of regulations, Bye-laws, guidelines, directions
- Supervising and organising maintenance of all services and amenities as arranged by Authority
- Educate and motivate the residents to follow ‘good practices’
- Ensure that the appointed operators perform their duties in the their neighbourhood, viz. Solid Waste Management, Security Personnel(s), etc.
- Change in land use subject to NMC concurrence
3 Fund(s) Management
Challenge of Managing Capex and Revenue Expenditure

- Capital expenditure plan synchronized with the Master Plan of the City
- Capital Budget and Profitability Analysis on long term basis to ensure financial sustainability of the city
- Fix on Revenue Expenditure through management contract policy to ensure better control
- Accounting Policy in place
  - Achieved double entry system
  - Policy on accrual basis, gives product-wise profitability
  - Separate reserve funds for expansion and maintenance of services provided for
ADEQUATE FINANCIAL PROVISIONING FOR:

--- CREATION OF ASSETS

--- SUBSEQUENT MAINTENANCE
Financial Provision for Creation

• Long term corporate plan prepared --- fund created for future development

• Special funds created for future development and city level projects and facilities

• All costs loaded in pricing of land
Provision for Maintenance

• Part provision made in the capital cost

• Specific items earmarked for each fund
  ---- For landscaping
  ---- For urban services
Funds Created for …

Urban services
1) Lease Rent
2) User Fees
3) Fees and Penalties
4) Interest from urban services fund

Greening and landscaping
1) Charges for special projects
2) Income from sale of green areas.
Enhancement of Revenue Base

- Differential pricing mechanism for commercial, residential, industrial and institutional
- Loading cost of special projects on the basic sale price, loaded upfront.
- User fee for maintenance of infrastructure and landscaping, pay as you use concept (for water)
- Have built in enough reserve funds to manage the major overhaul and rehabilitation of assets

Innovative ways to ensure sufficient fund flows
Private Sector
An Equal Partner in City’s Development
Private Sector to be a Major Player in Civic Services

• To avoid experience of other cities:-
  ➢ bloated staff
  ➢ poor services

• Mobilise Private Sector Finances

• More efficient services

• State of art technology
Substantial Private Sector Participation

- Private Power distribution since 1993 (NPCL)
- Convergence Network (Now Citi Cable)
- Solid Waste Management - waste collection, segregation at source, transportation, mechanical sweeping of main roads
- Residential Colonies and Group Housing
- Malls and Commercial Development

Participation within the framework of the City Plan

…. Facilitated The Development Process through private sector participation
Experience of the Privatisation Process

- Very Few Players for Civic Services
- Too risk averse: risk sharing vs. no risk
- Guarantees for 10-20 years required
- Emphasis on short-term benefits
  - Disregard for quality of services
  - Temptation to violate norms with disastrous long-term effects
- Need to develop private sector as a good brand
• Commitment needed of all the players, public and private
• Private Sector Participants to be equally conscious of maintaining norms
• Necessary to devise a system to act as a continuous watchdog
• Concerned & informed public opinion needs to bring its weight to ensure continued adherence to the vision drafted for the CITY
Greater Noida: the first city in the wake of Liberalization

Developed a Strategy different from the traditional

Limited Funds (seed capital only Rs. 5.0 crores)

Financially Viable, High Quality, Environmentally Sustainable Model

A Replicable Model

Successfully competes with other cities
Mind Set and Attitude of Paramount Importance
“Can Do” Approach
Plan and Provide Facilities
Build Structure and Systems
**Glance at the Financial Summary...... Last Decade**

- Started the operation with seed capital of only Rs 5 crores (revolving fund) from UP Govt

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