



Knowledge Exchange between Aarhus and the Development Alternatives Group

On 14th January 2019, a workshop on ‘Water challenges in Udaipur City: Knowledge exchange between Aarhus and the Development Alternatives (DA) Group’ was organised in DA Head Quarters, Delhi. The workshop aimed to build synergies between City of Aarhus – Denmark, Aarhus Vand – Denmark, The Royal Danish Embassy – India & the DA Group – India in the field of sustainable water management in the city of Udaipur (Rajasthan).

In the workshop DA Group & Aarhus shared their work in the field of sustainable water management in Udaipur. Aarhus team shared their experiences from an ongoing project ‘City to city cooperation on urban water management between Udaipur and Aarhus’ while DA Group shared its learnings from its completed projects in Udaipur district and an ongoing HBF funded project ‘Mapping water flows in Indian Cities’ in the city of Udaipur.

Aarhus team also shared about the management of water resources in the City of Aarhus. Various topics, namely, drinking water metering & tariffs, Supervisory control and data acquisition (SCADA) systems and data management, nonrevenue water and leakage detection, water supply planning, water resource modeling, citizen based water monitoring programmes, sources of water pollution, waste water treatment, Geographic Information System (GIS) enabled digital dashboard for cities etc. were discussed.

Both Aarhus team and the DA Group discussed about various challenges faced during the implementation of their projects in Udaipur and concluded with a possible collaborative work which can help to overcome the challenges and complement expertise, knowledge and skills of each other.