



## **Stakeholder Dialogue**

# Mainstreaming Sustainable Social Housing in India

# Discussion with social housing stakeholders

**Development Alternatives Headquarters, New Delhi** 

Date: 8<sup>th</sup> February, 2017

Time: 2 p.m.- 5 p.m.

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### Mainstreaming Sustainable Social Housing In India Project (MaS-SHIP) Stakeholder Dialogue 1

Venue: Conference Hall (First Floor), Development Alternatives Qutub Institutional Area, New Delhi Date: 8<sup>th</sup> February 2017

13:00-14:00	Registration and lunch
Introduction to the project	
14:00- 14:10	Welcome note Sanjay Seth, Senior Director- Sustainable Habitat Division, TERI
14:10-14:20	Project background Prof. Rajat Gupta, <i>Director of Oxford Institute for Sustainable Development,</i> <i>Oxford Brookes University, UK</i> (Skype session)
14:20- 14:40	Status of social housing in India and relevant policy drivers for integrating sustainability into social housing projects Gregor Herda, <i>Housing consultant with the housing unit of UN-Habitat</i> (Skype session)
14:40-15:30 15:30- 15:45	Discussion on social housing versus affordable housing Moderated by Zeenat Niazi, <i>Vice President, Development Alternatives</i> Tea Break
15.30- 15.45	
Sustainability assessment tools and social housing case studies	
15:45- 16:00	Sustainability assessment tools and need for a new DST Megha Behal, <i>TERI</i>
16:00- 16:15	Selection of social housing case studies and data collection for building DST Srijani Hazra, <i>Development Alternatives</i>
16:15-16:50	Discussion on case study selection and sustainability assessment tools for social housing projectsModerated by Zeenat Niazi, Vice President, Development Alternative
16:50-16:55	Vote of Thanks Pratibha Caleb, <i>Development Alternatives</i>
16:55- 17:00	Photo session













### Main-Streaming Sustainable Social Housing in India Project (MaS-SHIP)

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#### MAINSTREAMING SUSTAINABLE SOCIAL HOUSING

A consortium has been formed between four partners i.e. Oxford Brookes University (Oxford, UK), Development Alternatives (DA), The Energy and Resource Institute (TERI) and UN-HABITAT (UN-H) with support from United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) as part of their 10 Year Framework of Programmes on Sustainable Consumption and Production (10YFP) to promote sustainability in terms of environment performance, affordability and social inclusion as an integral part of social housing in India.

#### AGENDA OF STAKEHOLDER DIALOGUE 1

The aim of this project is to assist in enhancing sustainability in social housing through the adoption of sustainable building materials and construction technologies, as well as operations & management practices. Alongside it also aims at developing and testing a user-friendly and informative web-based tool that provides support in terms of decisions related to the adoption of sustainable practices in social housing projects.

The purpose of the stakeholder dialogue is to bring together the core team of the project, comprising of the research team, advisory board members, technical reviewers and representatives of selected social housing projects. At this dialogue the discussions will revolve around defining social housing in India, existing housing frameworks and best practices to develop influencing factors for various environmental parameters (Climate change mitigation, Climate change adaptation / resilience, Resource efficiency), economic parameters (Affordability, Job creation and job access, Maintenance), Cultural and Social parameters (Wellbeing and comfort, Respect of cultural heritage / local building culture, Safety, Conducive to community cohesion, inclusion and diversity). In addition, existing green building rating systems will be reviewed to assess their applicability and alignment to the parameters identified of social housing.

In the Indian context, the term 'affordable housing' is more commonly used than 'social housing' by both government and external housing sector analysts. This project thus attempts to define a social housing in alignment to the lessons learned from government housing schemes and the experiences of the private market. It is important to define social housing as the challenge is not only to build homes, but also to ensure that basic amenities are provided for, ease of transport access, affordability and eco-friendly and well-being of the household.

In this context, the dialogue aims to seek insightful comments and suggestions on defining 'social housing' in the purview of this project and the next steps in the project, i.e. housing project case studies for identification and assessment of sustainable building material and construction technologies in relation to the chosen parameters and for development of the web-based tool.







