

COUNCIL OF ARCHITECTURE TRAINING & RESEARCH CENTRE, BHOPAL PATH Planning & Architecture Towards Holistic Development. - Auroville





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# **City is a Living Curriculum**

# **About Workshop**

Design, integration & facilitation of learning activities with City & its diverse activities as extended live campus & engagement field, aiming local Integral sustainability, Climate Change Solution Eco-system & developing Campus as City Resource & Transformation Hub.

Suitable for those progressive ones who are willing to help enable the culture of *'Future of Integral Living & Learning'*.

# Wokshop Focus

This Workshop would attempt to explore following dimensions – How could holistic transformational learning is enabled towards 'conscious collective environments & what role cities & learning institutes (your campus & City-Region collaborators) could play as converging & facilitative platforms' for the same & become lab of Knowledge Society Culture. What frameworks, small steps via cirucilum interventions are needed to manifest this?

# SITE VISITS | INTERACTIVE SESSIONS | WORKING SESSIONS

# Workshop Output

Taking small steps towards enabling envisioned transformation by co-creating pilot/sample curriculum interventions & activities planning to be applied by the participants in their own context.

# Background, Vision & Intent

This workshop envisions dwelling on the process of transformation & role of self and society as an instrument of the same & gets its core reference from the live case study of Auroville, a 50 years young universal cultural township in making & based on the spiritual vision of Sri Aurobindo and the Mother. Offering itself as an experimental playfield, Auroville could be seen as a city & society startup for integral collective living having a wide range of sustainable Habitat practices.

Key Takeaway :

**Open Spaces** 

Economy

Energy

Soil

Art & Craft

Water

Food

Productive

Landscape

Waste Management

Culture

Mobility

Healt

Societ

- Insights on Climate Change & Holistic Sustainability: Impact, Issues, causes.
- Range of diverse solutions; scale & nature of emerging solutions.

• Auroville's Case Study (City as a Living Curriculum) - Getting a firsthand idea and experience of small scale township & neighbourhoods in evolution, while working on processes & practices of soil & water conservation, afforestation, alternative construction technologies, waste management, local economy & mobility, community living, role of art, culture & sports, city & its bioregional outreach activities & engagements.

• Figuring out 'why, what and how' of Climate Change related interdisciplinary learning intervention would be required to creatively incorporate in educational activities.

• Mapping the subjects and learning activities which provide opportunities to enable deeper awareness of interconnected themes for Architecture / Design Studies.

• Role of Architects & designers as solution enablers.

• Need of early & effective awareness – bringing interdisciplinary solution insights early on in students learning & application cycle.

• Integration of Enabling Climate Change Solutions in existing curriculum

Progressive Educational Campuses are working with vision & frameworks to enable Knowledge Society Culture. How other cities and societies could create their own living pilots of 'small & leading role model areas / holistic neighborhoods' which could trigger wider movement of 'Engaging Cities Initiatives' – this would be one of the focus areas to explore in this workshop.

## **Resource Persons and Session Titles:**



Lalit Kishor Bhati, Architect-Urban Planner, Co-Founder – PATH Architects & Planners CITY IS A LIVING CURRICULAM

Lalit has had the privilege of having firsthand experience of 24 years while being part of this evolving city & society & being engaged in planning, development & diverse range of learning activities.

#### Manoj Pavitran

Co-Founder, Purnam Center for Integrality & Telos EMERGING DIMENSIONS FOR INTEGRAL EDUCATION & DESIGN THINKING

He is an engineer and post graduate in Product Design from National Institute of Design (NID), Ahmedabad in 1993. He quit the profession and joined Auroville in 1995 to explore Integral Yoga and collective evolution. In Auroville, he is actively involved in higher education, software development and film making.

#### Krishna Makenzie

Founder, Solitude Farm - Auroville OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH SOIL & FOOD: DESIGN YOUR LIFE FOR HOLISTIC HEALTH

Society that doesn't know where its food comes from is a society without culture and humanity without culture will perish. -Masanobu Fukuoka

#### Marie Demont

Landscape Architect, Botanical Garden - Auroville RESTORING ENVIRONMENT - AN INTEGRAL DESIGN APPROACH & CASE STUDY

We will show you the landscaping and afforestation work which we have been doing since 5 years in Pandalgudi (TN) for the cement company Ramco.Located in old limestone quarries where the extraction is finished, the team of Auroville Botanical Gardens have designed, planted and implemented with the local Horticulture team of Ramco, 2 sites covering about 200 acres.







Founder - Earth & Us - Auroville, Director at Agroecology Fund CAN WE BUILD OUR WAY OUT OF IMMINENT EXTINCTION? What design principles can make it possible?

Min is passionate about promoting sustainable living to address the several planetary issues we face today, particularly climate change and biodiversity loss. I feel we are intimately connected with all life and the ecosystem.

#### **Ar. Shailaja Sudhalkar Bhati** Co-founder PATH Studio - Auroville

DESIGNING INTEGRALLY: Tapping Climate, Skill & Landscape Resource Potential Of Local Context

Ar. Shailaja S. Bhati studied architecture in Baroda and moved to Chandigarh to practice. She feels fortunate to have started her career in Chandigarh, because the city's architecture helped form her mind. In 1999, she moved to Auroville and 2004 co-founded an architecture and planning studio called Planning and Architecture Towards Holistic Development (PATH)

Probir Banerjee President, PondyCAN - Puducherry ENABLING COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT FOR LOCAL TRANSFORMA-TION - PUDUCHERRY CASE STUDY

Probir Has Been Engaged In Wide Ranging Community Engagement Processes And Activities On Ground, E.g. Waste Management, Beach Restoration, Water Tank Rehabilitation Projects, One Pond - One School Project And Many More.

Giulio Di Anastasio

Water & Soil Resource person - Auroville DECODING & INTEGRATING ARCHITECTURE OF SOIL & WATER IS KEY TO CLIMATE CHANGE SOLUTIONS

Giulio has decades of experience working as a geo-archaeologist in Europe and Asia. He holds a Master degree in Geology and a Dip. In Soil Micromorphology. In Auroville, he has founded CSR Geomatics, is currently mapping the Auroville topography, and is taking part in the development of a strategy for an Integral Water Management plan for Auroville and its bio-region, with the Auroville Water Group.





#### Workshop Nature Clarification Note -

Please note that this Workshop is mainly focused on 'co-creation of curriculum intervention on given title theme' & hence not to be confused with any hands-on alternative construction kind of workshop in Auroville for the participants.

#### **Background Reference Resources -**

Check out these before enrolling - to get a better idea about the nature and intent of the workshop in Auroville during 5-9 Sept 2022

1 - Youtube Video link of Intro Session on City is a Living Curriculum (a webinar presentation) https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZkLOdrUOy1

2 - Vision & Proposal Document - City is a Living Curriculum - https://www.bit.ly/3AL7JLz

#### General Note -

• Kindly keep yourself updated about latest applicable Covid19 guidelines (esp for Tamil Nadu) & follow the same.

• Lodging, boarding and local travel will cost additional. For more details please contact local host organiser : Lalit Kishor Bhati on lalit@auroville.org.in

• It is suggested that finally admitted participants plan to reach Auroville on 4th September (Sunday) 12pm & be part of workshop introduction session & get some orientation of the place. Workshop would start at 9 am on 5th September, Monday.

• It is also proposed that part of the local visits are conducted using cycles and it is hoped and assumed that participants are comfortable using cycles, trying to test-practice cyclable local areas.

Convened by

#### Dr. Navneet Munoth

Honorary Director COA-TRC Bhopal

REGISTRATION LINK: https://forms.gle/9EnCx1pjHm6dfpzMA

REGISTRATION FEE: Rs. 3000/-

### PAYMENT LINK:

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Kindly mail the scanned images of proof of payment on **coatrc.bhopal@gmail.com** to confirm registration.

Local Host & Organiser

Lalit Kishor Bhati, Architect-Urban Planner Executive & Co-Founder – PATH Architects & Planners Coordinator – Auroville Integral Sustainability Institute (AISI) Co-Founder - Auroville Campus Initiative (ACI)

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