

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

Reference #	002/01/2026/URDA/GRC/New Delhi
Project	Gender in Smart Cities / Resilient Urban Development: gender and digital approaches as drivers for sustainable growth and recovery in Cities (GRC)
Position	Urban and Regional Development Advisor
Band	Band 4
Location	New Delhi
<p>To apply click on the link: https://www.giz-jobs.com/india/</p> <p>Documents to be submitted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CV and a statement of suitability for this position • A maximum of 2 pages note on any one of the topics given below: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Can you please elaborate on the role of technical cooperation in the climate-resilient, gender-responsive urban development in Assam and Guwahati? <p>Or</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Can you please elaborate on how solid waste management with circular economy approach can contribute to Viksit Bharat 2047 especially to the two pillars cities as hubs of sustainable growth and more women in the workforce? <p>Last Date of Application: 28th January 2026</p>	

A. About GIZ India

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B. Project Background

The project “Gender in Smart Cities / Resilient Urban Development: gender and digital approaches as drivers for sustainable growth and recovery in Cities” (GRC) is being implemented by GIZ in India on behalf of the German Federal Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ), along with the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA).

The project will be implemented in three partner cities. Currently the planned partner cities are Guwahati in Assam, Kochi in Kerala and Faridabad in Haryana. The final decision about the three partner cities is still pending.

The project focus on two urban public services:

1. Solid waste management with a circular economy approach.
2. Development and maintenance of public green spaces.

The goal is to improve these public services while supporting women and girls as users and providers, contributing to climate-resilient and inclusive urban development.

C. Responsibilities

- Project State Coordinator for Assam.
- Oversea the international consulting team and implementation of the respective contract in Assam and Guwahati.
- Technical management responsibility of 3 experts from the international consulting team in Assam and Guwahati.
- Contributing toward expansion of the GIZ urban portfolio in North-East India following the request of MoHUA.
- Provide technical expertise and advisory services to the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA) and its missions and programs.
- Supporting MoHUA, BMZ and the Project Director in the steering of the project via the Project Implementation Committee (PIC).
- Support MoHUA and the Project Director in completion of implementation agreement, supplementary agreements and other relevant official documents.
- Increase outreach of the project with other ministries and institutions of the Government of India and multilateral agencies, e.g. National Housing Bank (NHB) for bankable projects, CDRI, UN-Habitat, UN Women, etc.

Project State Coordinator for Assam:

- Be the representative of the project to partners at state level as well as city level (Guwahati).
- Coordinate project synergies with KfW for its planned gender project on green public spaces.
- Coordinate project alignment and implementation with (a) ADB's project on urban infrastructure and b) JICA's project on water and sanitation.
- Oversea the international consulting team and implementation of the respective contract in Assam and Guwahati.
- Technical management responsibility of 3 experts from the international consulting team in Assam and Guwahati.
- Contributing toward expansion of the GIZ urban portfolio in North-East India following the request of MoHUA.
- Coordinating project activities and creating connections with other regional projects.
- Identified business opportunities with the private sector in Guwahati and collaborated with potential partner institutions, focusing on project goals.
- Facilitate key activities, coordinate visit from BMZ, etc.
- Ensure participation of officials from the state of Assam in various project activities for knowledge exchange with other partner states for knowledge exchange and peer-to-peer learning i.e. Communities of Practice, trainings and capacity development, workshops among others.
- Coordinate with local institutions and stakeholders like state government, urban local bodies, and academia.
- Communicate local interests and encourage sharing ideas for the project's benefit.

Application of Specialist Expertise:

- Provide technical expertise and advisory services to the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA) and its missions and programs.
- Supporting the project team in meeting project objectives, providing professional guidance.
- Supporting MoHUA, BMZ and the Project Director in the steering of the project via the Project Implementation Committee (PIC).
- Support MoHUA and the Project Director in completion of implementation agreement, supplementary agreements and other relevant official documents.
- Increase outreach of the project with other ministries and institutions of the Government of India and multilateral agencies, e.g. National Housing Bank (NHB) for bankable projects, CDRI, UN-Habitat, UN Women, etc.

- Steering of different consultants for implementation of demonstration projects and developing the manuals and transfer packages for upscaling.
- Advise project partners on identifying needs, developing concepts and strategies, and provide technical inputs in risk-informed, integrated, resilient and sustainable urban development, monitor the development and implementation of project activities in close consultation with project team
- Design, preparation and implementation of workshops, seminars and other events on issues related to the project's areas of activity, responsible for seeing that the services provided by the component are aligned with the partner's needs and project's objectives.
- Supporting project planning, design, implementation, management, monitoring, evaluation, communication, and documentation, as well as providing inputs in the Operational Plan, consulting with component managers, identifying stakeholder needs, formulating action plans, and coordinating training events and meetings.

Other duties/additional tasks

- The position is based in Delhi at the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA).

D. Required Qualifications, Experience and Competencies

- Master's in urban and Regional Planning with a focus on environmental planning and economics.
- Masters/MSc in Geography, Economics Geography and Geography of Economic Activity.
- 10 years' professional experience in Urban Development.
- At least 7 years' professional experience in direct advisory services to the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA).
- 7 years' professional experience working for private sector companies.
- At least 1 year professional experience in EU projects.
- 5 years' professional experience in the fields of climate-resilient cities and infrastructure, public services improvement.
- 7 years' professional experience in international cooperation.
- Very good working knowledge of ICT technologies.
- Strong organisational competence.
- Strong networking competence.
- Strong moderation skills in participatory processes, ideally experience with agile methods
- Willingness to travel to partner cities regularly.
- Fluent written and oral knowledge of the European language widely used in the country (English).
- Willingness to upskill as required by the tasks to be performed – corresponding measures are agreed with management.

E. Location: New Delhi

F. Duration of the contract: 30th June 2028

Application without GIZ application form will not be considered

- Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.
- GIZ supports Work-Life Balance.
- GIZ promotes Gender Diversity – Applications from women professionals are encouraged.

- Please note that those individuals who have completed a consultancy assignment with GIZ in less than 6 months prior to the intended start date for this position will not be shortlisted due to organisational policy.

Disclaimer: As per GIZ's data confidentiality policy, candidate's application is stored in our database for six months and is deleted thereafter.