

## POST-GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN URBAN ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT AND LAW (PGDUEML)



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### PROSPECTUS FOR DISTANCE AND ONLINE PROGRAMME

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Application form is enclosed towards the end of the prospectus.

## Introduction

### World Wide Fund for Nature - India (WWF-India)

WWF-India is one of the largest conservation organisations engaged in wildlife and nature conservation in the country. Established as a Charitable Trust on November 27, 1969, it has an experience of over four decades in the field. From a modest beginning, the organisation has been propelled forward by the efforts of its founders and associates who volunteered their time and energy to lend momentum to the conservation movement.

Today, it is recognized as a premier international conservation non-governmental organisation in the country dealing with nature conservation, environmental protection and development-related issues. At a time when the Web of Life has come under increasing threats, WWF-India's attempts have been to find and implement solutions so that human beings can live in harmony with nature, and leave for future generations a world rich in natural resources and natural wonders.

To suit India's specific ecological and socio-cultural situation, WWF-India articulated its mission in 1987 as follows:

***"The promotion of nature conservation and environmental protection as the foundation for sustainable and equitable development."***

### Centre for Environmental Law (CEL)

The Centre for Environmental Law (CEL) was established in 1993 as an integral part of WWF-India. Apart from handling and furthering WWF-India's conservation work involving policy analysis, campaigning and legal interventions on environmental issues, CEL serves as a resource centre for teaching environmental law and research in national, regional and international contexts. To implement its programmes CEL is building functional and professional linkages with government agencies and non-governmental organizations at national and global levels.

One of the principle educational activities of CEL since 1993 has been the Diploma Programme in Environmental Law that has been running for over two decades now. More than fifteen hundred participants have benefited from the Diploma in Environmental Law Certificate issued by WWF India.

To widen the scope and reach of the Course, since September 2013, WWF has partnered with National Law University, Delhi to offer one year Post Graduate Diploma in Environmental Law and Policy.

## National Law University, Delhi (NLUD)

National Law University, Delhi is a premier Law University established in 2008 by the Delhi Government at the initiative of Delhi High Court. It has state of the art infrastructure and facilities for learning and research. The vision of NLUD is to make legal education an instrument of social, political and economic change. It is committed to transform students into lawyers who are professionally competent, technically sound and socially aware.

NLUD has been offering a five year Integrated B.A. LL. B (Hon.) Programme since 2008 and LL.M and Ph. D programmes since 2011. It offered its first Diploma programme on Judging and Court Management in 2010 with the objective of training and skill building of the young legal professionals in the art and craft of judging and court management.

The University also offers several other innovative and specialized diploma programmes both in distance and online modes. These include Patent Law, Competition Law and Policy, Real Estate Law, Labour Rights, Women Studies and Vocational Diploma for Paralegals.

### Post Graduate Diploma in Urban Environment Management and Law (PGDUEML)

#### Programme Description

The Post Graduate Diploma in Urban Environment Management and Law (**PGDUEML**) is a specialized course that focuses on strengthening the delivery capacity of urban administrators and environment professionals. PGDUEML is designed to provide in-depth knowledge and understanding of existing urban laws, by-laws and policies. The course seeks to equip its participants to tackle the loopholes in the present institutional mechanisms for managing urban matters, to propose innovative changes as are necessary in existing laws to find convergence with urban environmental management practices; as well as to effectively implement existing urban laws/policies by blending them with fast changing needs and expectations of a dynamic urban society. Moving forward, it is going to be increasingly tougher to look at urban planning and the environment in isolation; local legislations like building bye-laws are already moving towards incorporating environmental clearances and conditions within them and it is likely that these lines will be further blurred in the future.

Keeping these developments in mind, the course is intended towards the training and capacity building of all those persons concerned with and involved in improving living conditions and quality of life for urban citizens in various capacities by providing them with policy

prescriptions, innovations for better urban governance, information and training inputs. It aims to strengthen the human resource pool by creating efficient urban managers.

## **Programme Objectives**

The objective of the programme is to:

- Provide background knowledge as well as practical tools for addressing crucial urban problems at both policy and implementation level.
- Enable the participants to propose changes as are necessary in laws to find convergence with urban environmental management practices.
- Present and discuss urban management in the broader perspective of environmental governance and sustainable development issues.
- Train the urban professionals to optimally utilize financial and technical resources or materials ensuring good governance locally, regionally and nationally.

## **Target Group**

The programme would be useful for personnel of local/state level urban development authorities, urban planners/managers, local level policymakers, professionals from ministries, private sector employees, the academia and civil society organisations. The PG Diploma program provides the participants a platform to explore the key aspects of urban management and would provide them with exposure to the best practices in urban governance, particularly in light of environmental conservation.

## **Eligibility**

Graduates from any stream of study. Work experience, although not necessary, preference would be given to working professionals with a minimum of two years' experience in the relevant field. Admission will be granted on the basis of merit.

## **Duration and Pedagogy**

- 'PG Diploma in Urban Environmental Management and Law' is a one-year programme which is divided into six courses.
- The diploma is offered with English as the only medium of instruction.
- All other aspects such as course content, timelines, syllabus, examinations and discussion forum will remain the same for both the modes.

## Mode of study

- There are two modes of instruction- '**Distance**' mode and '**Online**' mode. Participants can opt for any one of the two instructional modes for pursuing the programme at the time of admission.
- Participants who opt for the '**Distance**' Mode will receive **hard copies of study material**, while students who opt for '**Online**' mode will have access to **only soft copies of study material**.
- Distance mode students will have to incur printing and postal charges of Rs. 1,500 in addition to the course fee.

**We at WWF encourage participants to apply for 'Online Mode' and contribute to saving Paper!**

**The focal points of the Diploma programme are as follows:**

- Programme shall focus on legal and policy matters pertaining to urban environmental management for sustainability.
- Both global and local level practices/perspectives will be covered through case studies.

Extensive study material will be provided.

## Syllabus and Detailed Structure:

PGDU EML comprises of 36 Credits or 600 Marks. It consists of 6 courses - 5 theory courses and 1 project work. Courses I, II, III, IV, V and VI will be of 6 credits each. All courses are compulsory.

## Course Curriculum:

Course I: Introduction to Urban Governance-Concepts and Practices 6 Credits/100 Marks
<b>BLOCK 1: Understanding the Urban Society</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– What is Urbanization?</li> <li>– Challenges of Urban Societies</li> <li>– Urbanization in globalizing 21<sup>st</sup> Century: Recent trends</li> </ul>
<b>BLOCK 2: Trends in Urbanization</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Multi-faceted Ramifications of Urbanization</li> <li>– Multiculturalism in Urban Society</li> <li>– Urban Infrastructure: Basic services</li> </ul>

### **BLOCK 3: Sustainable Urban Development**

- Sustainable Urban Development: Theory and Practice
- Sustainable Development and Environmental Governance
- Project and Process Management for Sustainable Urban Development

### **Course II: Laws and Policies pertaining to Environment 6 Credits/100 Marks**

### **BLOCK 1: Environmental Laws and Policies**

- Concept of Law & Policy
- Environmental Law and the Indian Constitution
- Major Laws and Environment

### **BLOCK 2 – National Environmental laws**

- Air and water legislations
- Environment Protection Act
- Ecology conservation and environmental governance in urban areas

### **BLOCK 3 – Environmental Liabilities**

- Criminal wrongs and the environment
- Law of Torts, Civil wrongs and the environment
- Strict and Absolute liability

### **Course III: Laws and Policies pertaining to Environment 6 Credits/100 Marks**

### **BLOCK 1 – Urban Laws and Policies**

- Urban Law and the Indian Constitution
- Government Plans and Schemes for Urbanisation
- Urban Development Policies in India

### **BLOCK 2 - Urban Property and Land Use Management**

- Country and Town Planning
- Land Use Policy
- Land Consumption and Community Development

### **BLOCK 3 – Other Urban Regulatory Frameworks**

- Urban Population Management
- Urban Health & Sanitation
- Urban Poverty Management

### **Course IV: Urban Legal and Policy Frameworks 6 Credits/100 Marks**

### **BLOCK 1: Infrastructure and Resource Management**

- Green zones, Landscaping and Green Buildings
- Urban Transportation system
- Conservation of Heritage buildings

### **BLOCK 2: Public Services Management**

- Urban Natural Resources
- Managing city waste: Municipal Solid Waste
- Managing city waste: Biomedical waste & E-Waste

### **BLOCK 3: Disaster Management**

- Introduction to Managing Disasters
- Environmental and Human Rights issues
- Disaster Management Practices & Response Mechanisms

### **Course V: Urban Development and Environment Protection Mechanisms** **6 Credits/100 Marks**

### **BLOCK 1: Urban Developmental Projects and Environment**

- Introduction to Urban Developmental Projects
- Infrastructure Projects & Environment
- Good Governance: Best Practices

### **BLOCK 2: Community Development**

- Decentralization: Empowerment of Local People
- Challenges & Initiatives in Community development
- Community Initiatives and Best Practices

### **BLOCK 3: Innovative Urban Infrastructure**

- International Great Building – setting examples
- National Great Building – setting examples

### **Course VI: Project Work** **6 Credits/ 100 Marks**

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| - Synopsis             | (20 Marks) |
| - Final Project Report | (80 Marks) |

## **Evaluation System**

Participants shall be evaluated through a continuous evaluation process. Every participant must submit a total of five assignments, one for each theory Course. Course VI will have two components – Synopsis and the final project report.

Assignments – The main purpose of assignments is to test participant's comprehension of the study material provided and general interpretation of concepts keeping in view the current scenarios. Participants shall be given one assignment each for all the theory courses (Course I to V). The assignments will be assessed on 50% scale. **Submission of all five assignments is compulsory.**

Project Work – The Project Work component includes submission of both the Synopsis and a Final Project Report. The Project Work (Course VI) carries 6 credits or 100 marks; out of which synopsis would carry 20% weightage and project report will carry 80% weightage.



**Submission of both Synopsis and Final Project Report is mandatory for completion of Diploma.**

Term End Examination – There will be an ‘online term end examination’ towards the end of academic year, the exams will be designed in the manner so as to enable the participants to take the same from their respective locations. Term End Examination will be assessed for 50%.

Discussion Forum – A discussion forum completely managed and moderated by Course organizers will be launched to discuss some of the course topics, current updates on urban management issues. Contribution in the forum is mandatory, and it is suggested that participants actively engage in the same, to enhance their knowledge on discussed topics.

### **Final Marking –**

**Course I to V - 50% for Term End Examination 50% for Assignments**

**Course VI - 80% for Project Report and 20% for Synopsis**

### **Admission Process and Fee details**

Interested applicants are requested to submit soft copies of the duly filled admission form (Annexure 1) along with their **curriculum vitae, copies of certificates of qualification (Graduation Degree or final semester marksheet)** and **statement of purpose**.

**The application will not be accepted without the documents** listed above. **Please submit before** the stipulated date to the following email address: [submissionscel@wwfindia.net](mailto:submissionscel@wwfindia.net).

**Hard copies of applications DO NOT need to be sent in.** However, if you cannot send your application by soft copy for any reason, you may then send it to us at the following address:

**The Course Coordinator  
Centre for Environmental Law  
WWF-INDIA  
172-B, Lodi Estate  
NEW DELHI – 110 003  
PH: 011-4150 4772**

- Last date for submission of application is **15 APRIL 2020**.
- Fees for PGDUML is Rs. 13,000 (Rupees Thirteen Thousand Only).
- Fees will only be accepted once admission has been confirmed.
- Please **DO NOT** send in fees along with the application form (though any mode).



- After the offer of admission is made to the participant (i.e., the participant is selected), the applicant may proceed to pay the fees via '**Online Transfer**' to confirm admission.
- If an applicant is unable to pay via 'Online Transfer', the applicant may issue a Demand Draft drawn in favor of '**World Wide Fund for Nature – India**' payable at New Delhi (Candidates name and phone number to be appended behind Demand Draft)
- **The fees once paid will not be refunded.**

**Special note for applicants residing outside India: at the time of transfer of fees, kindly verify the exchange rate as on the day of transfer, as well as any additional charges or levies that may be applicable on this transfer by your bank. Kindly ensure that the full fee amount is credited to WWF-INDIA after clearing all additional dues that such a transfer may attract.**

Please go through the FAQs provided on the website. For any additional clarifications on prospectus and filling of application form, please contact Mr. Sandeep Sharma, Course Data Manager, CEL at [submissionscel@wwfindia.net](mailto:submissionscel@wwfindia.net) or call on [09868185605](tel:09868185605) between 1100 hrs to 1700 hrs on weekdays.

## APPLICATION FOR PGD IN URBAN ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT AND LAW

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1. Name of the Applicant (In capital letters, kindly fill in your name exactly as you would like it to appear on your certificate.)

2. Parent/Guardian/Spouse's Name:

3. Complete Address with Pin Code:

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Id: \_\_\_\_\_

(Filling of all above fields is mandatory)

4. Fee details will be provided once admission has been confirmed. Do not pay the fees now in any form.

5. **Mode of Study:** Distance Mode<sup>1</sup>: \_\_\_\_\_ Online Mode: \_\_\_\_\_

(Once selected, participant cannot change mode of study).

6. Educational Qualification: (Attach scanned copies of Graduation Degree or recent mark sheet or provisional certificate)

7. Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ (DD/MM/YY) 8. Gender: \_\_\_\_\_ (Female/ Male/ Other)

9. Nationality: Indian \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_ if other, please specify: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby declare that I have read and understood the conditions of eligibility for the programme for which I seek admission. I fulfil the minimum eligibility criteria and I have provided necessary information in this regard. In the event of any information being found incorrect or misleading, my candidature will be cancelled by WWF-India at any time and I shall not be entitled to refund of any fee paid by me to WWF-India.

Date:

Signature of Applicant

<sup>1</sup> NOTE: Distance mode students will have to incur additional printing and postal charges, refer to prospectus Pg 3, Mode of Study.

DO NOT STAPLE

Affix your latest passport size photograph (4cm x 5 cm) duly attested by you

Checklist:

- i. Statement of Purpose explaining your motivation behind applying for this course.
- ii. Certificates in support of your recent Educational Qualification(s). Include copies of your recent academic accomplishments only i.e. Bachelor's Degree or any higher qualifications (Masters, M.Phil, Ph.D etc.)
- iii. Completed Application Form. Kindly note that it is compulsory to fill in your name EXACTLY as you would like it to appear on your certificate. Please double check your form before submission as spelling changes will not be entertained at a later date.
- iv. Curriculum Vitae.