

Vacancy Announcement

Job Description for Program Manager- CITIIS 2.0

ORGANIZATION	National Institute of Urban Affairs (NIUA)
FUNCTIONAL TITLE	Program Manager- CITIIS 2.0
PROJECT NAME	City Investments To Innovate, Integrate & Sustain (CITIIS)
DUTY STATION:	New Delhi, India
DURATION	One Year (Renewable)
TYPE OF CONTRACT	Individual Consultant Contract (Full-time)
NUMBER OF POSITIONS	01

About the National Institute of Urban Affairs (NIUA)

Established in 1976, the National Institute of Urban Affairs (NIUA), is a premier Institute of Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs, Government of India for research and capacity building for urban sector in India. NIUA's broad objective is to bridge the gap between research and practice on issues related to urbanization. For more than 40 years now, NIUA has been the vanguard for contributing to and building the urban narrative for a fast-evolving Urban India.

The Institution has been actively working on bringing forth key areas of concern for urban India in order to build the urban discourse at various urban scales. It has utilized its competencies in research, knowledge management, policy advocacy and capacity building to address urban challenges and continuously striving to develop sustainable, inclusive, and productive urban ecosystems in the country. It has emerged as a thought leader and knowledge hub for urban development in India and is sought out by both Indian and International organizations for collaborations and partnerships in India's urban transforming journey. NIUA is committed towards aligning its efforts towards achieving Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) through all its initiatives and programs.

About CITIIS 2.0

CITIIS 2.0 is a program conceived by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA) in partnership with the French Development Agency (AFD), Kreditanstalt für Wiederaufbau (KfW), the European Union (EU), and National Institute of Urban Affairs (NIUA). The program approved by the Union Cabinet on 31 May 2023 and it envisages to support eighteen competitively selected projects promoting circular economy with focus on integrated waste management at the city level, climate-oriented reform actions across twenty-one States, and institutional strengthening and knowledge dissemination at the National level.

The funding for CITIIS 2.0 would include a loan of Rs.1760 crore (EUR 200 million) from AFD and KfW (EUR 100 million each) and a technical assistance grant of Rs.106 cr. (EUR 12 million) from the EU.

Following the CITIIS 1.0 model, CITIIS 2.0 has three major components:

Component 1

Financial and technical support for developing projects focused on building climate resilience, adaptation and mitigation in 18 cities through selection of competitively selected projects promoting circular economy with focus on integrated waste management.

Component 2

The States will be provided support to (a) set-up/strengthen their existing State climate centres/ Climate cells/ equivalents (b) create State and city level Climate Data Observatories (c) facilitate climate-data driven planning, develop climate action plans and (d) build capacities of municipal functionaries.

Component 3

Interventions at all three levels; Centre, State and City to further climate governance in urban India through institutional strengthening, knowledge dissemination, partnerships, building capacity, research and development to support scale up across all States and Cities.

The CITIIS 2.0 program is strategically aligned with the second phase of Swachh Bharat Mission-Urban. The SBM-U 2.0 was launched on 1st October 2021, for a period of 5 years (till October 2026). The vision for SBM-U 2.0 is to achieve “Garbage Free” status for all cities by 2026 and institutionalizing ‘Swachh’ behaviour amongst the citizens. The Government of India in partnership with States/ UTs and ULBs is committed to make all cities ‘Garbage Free’ under SBM-Urban 2.0 to contribute to the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) 2030, which will ultimately improve the quality of life and ease of living of urban populations, thus leading to urban transformation.

Responsibilities

The Program Manager will assist the Program Director in planning, implementation, and monitoring of the CITIIS 2.0 program, with a focus on integrated waste management. This role involves managing multiple projects aimed at, achieving saturation across the waste value chain in the eighteen cities under the CITIIS 2.0 program.

The responsibilities of the Program Manager will include, but will not be limited to:

- **Program Management:** Facilitate the Urban Local Bodies and State Urban Development Departments in development, execution, and monitoring of projects on integrated waste management, with a strong emphasis on Environmental Safeguards, as per the World Bank norms.
- **Stakeholder Engagement:** Ensure collaboration of all the stakeholders including MoHUA, AFD, KfW, EU, State Governments, ULBs, SPVs, Domestic Experts, International Mentors and Transversal Experts under the CITIIS 2.0 program. Facilitate stakeholder meetings, workshops, and consultations to gather input and foster collaboration and co-creation to achieve program goals as defined in the Program Logical Framework (PLF).
- **Partnership Development:** Maintain existing relations and develop new partnerships with academic institutions, administrative training institute, research agencies, scientific laboratories and industry bodies for facilitating the effective implementation of the program, and exchange of knowledge. The Program Manager will also be responsible for organizing industry workshops and climate investment summits.
- **Knowledge Capitalisation & Reporting:** Work closely with the Knowledge officer/ specialist to capture, organize, and disseminate the knowledge on integrated waste management and urban climate action, respectively. It shall also include drafting interim/ biannual/ annual reports, and other documentation, as needed.
- **Technology Integration:** There are three key technology components under the CITIIS 2.0 program (i) CITIIS Website (ii) CITIIS Management Platform (iii) Proposed- National Climate Data Observatory (NCDO). The Program Manager will support the technology integration into the program activities.

Reporting

The Program Manager shall report to Program Coordinator & TL, CITIIS at NIUA,

Skills and Qualifications

- Master's degree or higher in Public Policy, Urban Planning, Environmental Management, Economics, Engineering, or a related discipline.
- Minimum 10 years of progressively responsible experience, including at least 5 years in program management roles, preferably in urban development / circular economy related sectors.

- Demonstrated experience in supporting large-scale, multi-stakeholder, donor-funded projects or government programs in India.
- Familiarity with bilateral/multilateral cooperation and prior experience of dealing with agencies such as AFD, KfW, EU, World Bank, UN bodies, etc.
- Understanding of Indian urban governance and national flagship schemes such as the Swachh Bharat Mission-Urban, AMRUT, Smart Cities Mission, and climate action frameworks.
- Excellent written and oral communication skills.

References

Please provide name and contact information of three references.

Remuneration

As par with the industry standards, depending on experience and skills and fitment with NIUA remuneration structures. Proof of past remuneration (last received salary/monthly contract payment) would be required.

Application process

Submit CV and cover letter through the NIUA portal.

Last Date of Application: 10th December, 2025