

National Concluding Workshop (NCLW)

One day National Concluding Workshop (NCW) was organised at TISS on *August 26, 2011*. Twenty three invitees attended the workshop, include select group of academics, urban CSO/NGO activists, administrators and representative from Project Partner and four State Academic Partners.

Objectives of the workshop:

1. Sharing of our insights acquired during the 2 year Project
2. Flag off issues in deepening the work at Town level by adopting a network model
3. Contributing to the debates on comparable themes

The issues being thrown up by the Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission (JNNURM), an ambitious urban renewal programme of Government of India presently under implementation provided immediate trigger for conceptualizing the Urban India Reforms Facility (UIRF) and it was decided large part of Project activities will focus on two aspects of urban renewal, viz., Urban Reforms and Small & Medium Towns. In view of the complexity and diversity of urban issues, it was also decided that the efforts to “*increase public control or citizens’ effective influence on urban reforms*” will have to be carried out in a decentralized manner. In this context, NCLW workshop was organized around three themes viz. Urban Reforms, Small and Medium Towns (SMTs) and Decentralized Model of Learning.