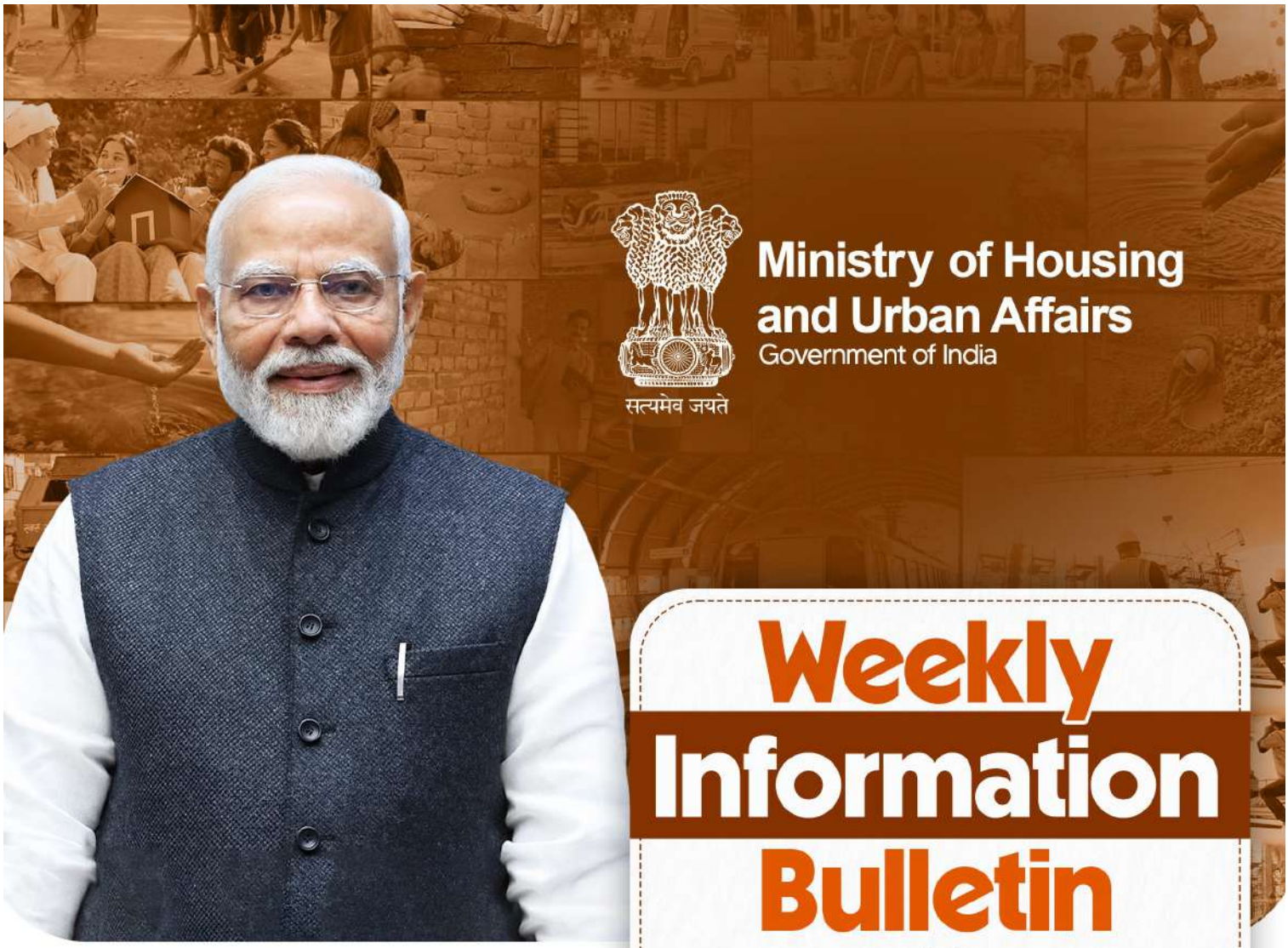


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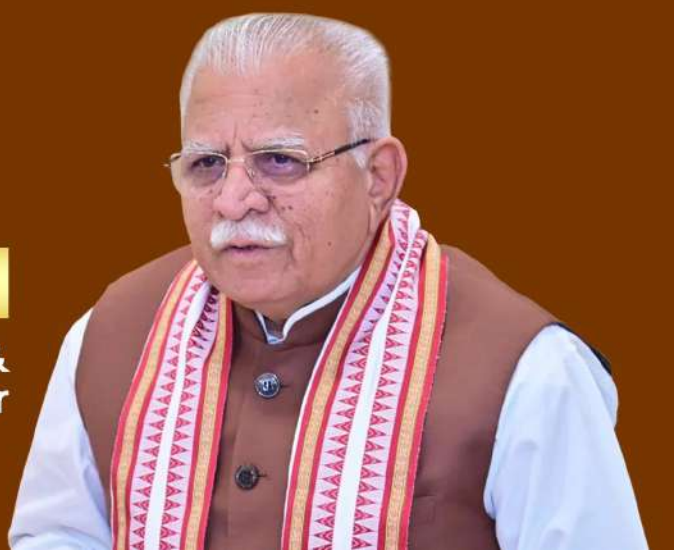
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PM Modi Flags Off Pune Metro Line 3; India's Urban Transit Network Hits 1,208 km







India's urban mobility journey has achieved another major milestone with the inauguration of Pune Metro Line 3 by Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi.

Built at an investment of over ₹8,300 crore, the 23-km corridor will connect Hinjewadi, Pune's prominent IT hub, with Shivajinagar. The new line is expected to significantly improve connectivity for IT professionals and daily commuters by reducing travel time, easing road congestion and making everyday journeys more convenient. The expansion marks another step towards developing efficient, accessible and sustainable urban transport infrastructure. By strengthening connectivity, the project is also expected to support Pune's economic growth and enhance the quality of life of its citizens.

Adding to this achievement, India's combined Metro and Regional Rapid Transit System (RRTS) network has now expanded to 1,208 km, reflecting the country's growing commitment to modernising urban transportation and bringing cities closer through faster, smoother and more efficient connectivity.

MoHUA Conducts Participatory Workshop to Chart a Shared Roadmap for a Cleaner Delhi

The Department of Capital Development (DoCD), MoHUA, in collaboration with Swachh Bharat Mission-Urban (SBM-U), organised a participatory workshop titled 'Planning a Shared Roadmap for Clean Delhi' to bring together sanitation inspectors, supervisors, Urban Local Body (ULB) officials and key stakeholders to deliberate on practical solutions for a cleaner, healthier and more liveable capital. Ms. D. Thara, Secretary, DoCD, MoHUA, along with senior officials from NDMC, MCD, DDA and MoHUA, participated in the workshop.



For the first time, functionaries across all levels came together on a common platform to discuss operational gaps, citizen behaviour, service delivery challenges and opportunities for improvement, while co-creating a collective roadmap for a cleaner Delhi.

Sanitation staff, being at the forefront of service delivery, shared first-hand insights into everyday operational challenges, enabling stakeholders to brainstorm and develop practical, on-ground solutions alongside policy interventions. An online digital poll was conducted among participants to identify key challenges affecting cleanliness in Delhi and gather insights from grassroots-level stakeholders. The exercise provided valuable feedback on operational gaps, citizen behaviour, service delivery challenges and opportunities for improvement.





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PM-eBus Sewa Workshop Advances Environment, Gender and Safety in Electric Bus Operations





A National Workshop under the PM-eBus Sewa Scheme on 'Mainstreaming Environment, Gender and Safety' was held with Shri Satendra Singh, Secretary (UD), MoHUA, as the Chief Guest. The workshop focused on strengthening Environmental, Social, Health and Safety (ESHS), gender inclusion and fire safety in electric bus operations, bringing together over 80 stakeholders, including participating cities, bilateral agencies, civil society organisations, bus operators and sector experts.

Two key guidance documents were released during the workshop: the Guiding Framework for Gender Action Plan and the Guiding Framework for Inclusive and Accessible Bus Shelter Design, advancing safer, inclusive and accessible public transport.

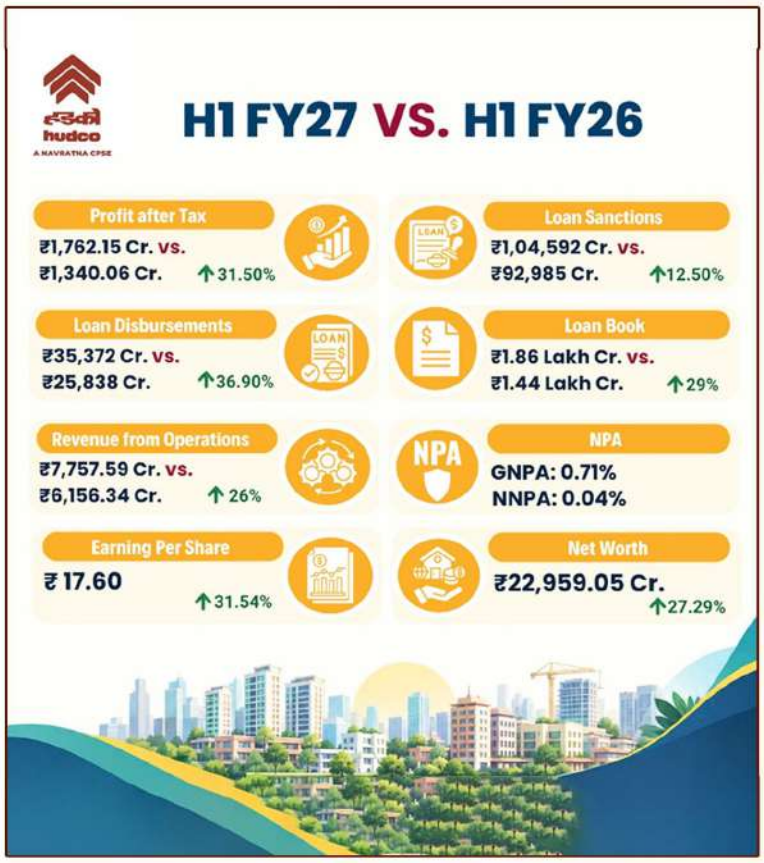






HUDCO Delivers Strong H1 FY 2026–27 Performance, Records 31.50% PAT Growth and Industry-Leading Asset Quality

Housing and Urban Development Corporation Limited (HUDCO), a Navratna CPSE and an NBFC-IFC under MoHUA, delivered strong financial and operational performance in H1 FY 2026-27. The Board of Directors approved the half-yearly results on 4 November 2026, reflecting robust growth and improved asset quality.



Profit After Tax (PAT) rose 31.50% year-on-year (YoY) to ₹1,762.15 crore, while revenue from operations increased approximately 26% to ₹7,757.59 crore. Loan sanctions grew 12.50% to ₹1,04,592 crore, and disbursements surged 36.90% to ₹35,372 crore, expanding the loan portfolio by 29% to ₹1.86 lakh crore.

Asset quality strengthened significantly, with Gross NPAs declining to 0.71% from 1.21% and Net NPAs reaching an industry-leading 0.04% from 0.07%. Annualised EPS increased 31.54% to ₹17.60, while net worth grew 27.29% to ₹22,959.05 crore.

Shri Sanjay Kulshrestha, Chairman and Managing Director, HUDCO, attributed the performance to strong business growth, prudent financial management and focused risk mitigation. He reaffirmed HUDCO's commitment to financing India's urban infrastructure development and supporting the vision of Viksit Bharat, expressing confidence in sustaining growth in H2 FY 2026-27.

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Delhi Metro Extends Real-Time Coach Occupancy Display to Pink Line

Building on the successful implementation of real-time coach occupancy information on the Magenta Line, Delhi Metro Rail Corporation (DMRC) has extended the display of coach-wise occupancy status of arriving trains to stations on the Pink Line (Line-7), covering Majlis Park-Shiv Vihar and Maujpur-Babarpur.

The Passenger Information Display System (PIDS) on Magenta Line platforms has been displaying real-time occupancy levels of individual coaches since 2022. The system has helped passengers make informed boarding decisions and contributed to a more balanced distribution of passenger load across coaches.

The real-time coach occupancy display offers several advantages to passengers:

* **Informed Boarding Decisions:** Passengers can identify less crowded coaches in advance and move towards them on the platform, reducing the need to board densely packed coaches.
* **Better Distribution of Passenger Load**: Encourages more balanced occupancy across coaches, enhancing passenger comfort and reducing localised overcrowding.
* **Enhanced Peak-Hour Travel Experience**: Particularly useful during morning and evening rush hours, when certain coaches tend to fill up faster than others.
* **Improved Safety and Efficiency**: More balanced passenger distribution across coaches contributes to smoother operations and better utilisation of available capacity.
* **Time-Saving and Reduced Stress**: Commuters no longer need to guess or walk the entire length of the platform after the train arrives to find a less crowded coach.



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MoHUA Trains 43 Master Trainers to Advance Inclusive Sanitation Capacity Building Across Eight States

Under Swachh Bharat Mission-Urban 2.0 (SBM-U 2.0), the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA), through its Knowledge Management Unit (KMU), organised a full-day Training of Trainers (ToT) programme on 30 October 2026 at Sankalp Bhawan, New Delhi. The programme brought together 43 Master Trainers from Assam, Bihar, Jharkhand, Karnataka, Maharashtra, Odisha, Tamil Nadu and Uttar Pradesh.

The programme aimed to strengthen the capacity of States to deliver training on Gender Equality and Social Inclusion (GESI) to sanitation workers across Urban Local Bodies (ULBs). Sessions covered Occupational Health and Safety, GESI, and the Waste Value Chain. The trained Master Trainers will subsequently conduct state-level training in regional languages, promoting the safety, dignity and inclusion of sanitation workers.





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HUDCO and NBCC Observe Vigilance Awareness Week 2026, Reinforcing Commitment to Ethical Governance

Housing and Urban Development Corporation Limited (HUDCO) and NBCC (India) Limited observed Vigilance Awareness Week 2026, from 26 October to 1 November, under the theme 'Probity for Prosperity', reaffirming their commitment to integrity, transparency and accountability in governance.

HUDCO commenced the observance with an Integrity Pledge administered by its CMD, Shri Sanjay Kulshrestha, in the presence of senior officials and employees. The organisation also conducted essay-writing, slogan-writing and quiz competitions to promote ethical values and vigilance awareness. Winners were felicitated by the CMD. Similarly, NBCC organised a pledge-taking ceremony on 31 October 2026 at its Redevelopment Works, Type VII & VIII (Package-VI), Netaji Nagar, New Delhi, where site employees reaffirmed their commitment to honest and accountable practices.

Extending the initiative, SBG-NER observed the week in Sikkim through student competitions promoting integrity and ethical conduct. Dr. Abhishek Singh, Zonal In-charge, Sikkim, highlighted the significance of the theme and encouraged students to uphold honesty and accountability.

Through these initiatives, HUDCO and NBCC emphasised that integrity and ethical conduct are collective responsibilities and essential pillars of transparent, corruption-free and accountable governance.





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NBCC Drives Urban Transformation and Heritage Tourism with ₹2,168 Crore Projects in Bihar and Rajasthan

NBCC (India) Limited is undertaking major development initiatives across Bihar and Rajasthan, combining urban infrastructure development with heritage tourism promotion through projects worth over ₹2,168 crore.
In Bihar, NBCC signed MoUs with various departments of the State Government for four redevelopment projects in Patna under Phase-I, involving an estimated investment of ₹2,000 crore (excluding GST). The MoUs were signed in the presence of Shri Samrat Choudhary, Chief Minister of Bihar, and Dr. K.P. Mahadevaswamy, CMD, NBCC.

The projects include two residential redevelopment initiatives comprising 3,331 flats across EWS, LIG, MIG and HIG categories, an IT Tech Park at Gardanibagh, and hotels and commercial spaces along Bailey Road. These projects will be implemented on a self-financing basis without budgetary assistance from the State Government.
In Rajasthan, NBCC is developing the Maharana Pratap Tourist Circuit at Haldighati under an MoU with the Department of Tourism, Government of Rajasthan, and Rajasthan Heritage Authority, at a sanctioned cost of ₹168.39 crore (excluding GST).

The project will feature the world's tallest statue of Maharana Pratap, a world-class historical museum, a topographical projection show at Haldighati Memorial and the upgradation of heritage sites, aimed at preserving cultural heritage and strengthening tourism.

Through these initiatives, NBCC is contributing to planned urban development, modern infrastructure creation and heritage conservation, while supporting economic growth and tourism potential in both states.





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Key News of the Week

The Times of India
(5 Nov, 2026)

DDA sells 9,332 flats, Narela leads demand

NEW DELHI: The Delhi Development Authority (DDA) sold 9,332 flats between April and October 2026, a nearly 80% increase from 5,198 sold during the corresponding period last year, officials said on Wednesday.

Narela accounted for more than 90% of the bookings in the first seven months of the current financial year, said the DDA.

Sales in the low-income group (LIG), middle-income group (MIG) and high-income group (HIG) categories have already exceeded their respective totals for the entire 2025-26 financial year, the DDA said in a statement. The DDA sold 5,171 LIG flats between April and October, compared with 3,547 during all of 2025-26. MIG sales stood at 1,704, up from 1,580, while 820 HIG flats were sold more than double the 404 sold in the previous year, added officials.

The authority attributed the increase to infrastructure development and improved connectivity in Narela, which it described as an emerging residential destination. Key projects include the Urban Extension Road-II (UER-II) and the upcoming Rithala-Narela-Kundli metro corridor, officials said. HTC

The Times of India
(5 Nov, 2026)

DDA housing sales up 80% in 7 mths of FY27

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New Delhi: Delhi Development Authority (DDA) has reported an almost 80% jump in housing sales during the first seven months of FY 2026-27, aided by a series of housing schemes, discounts and measures aimed at improving access to its inventory.

In a statement issued Wednesday, DDA said it sold 9,332 flats across categories between April and Oct 2026, compared with 5,198 flats during the corresponding period of the previous financial year, an increase of 4,134 units.

"The significant growth in housing sales reflects the impact of sustained efforts by DDA, backed by the continuous monitoring by LG TS Sandhu, towards accelerating the development of Delhi's sub-cities," the authority said.

Officials attributed the increase to improved sales across segments. Last month, DDA launched Awaas Nivesh Yojana 2026, offering 1-BHK and LIG flats at a 25% discount, with prices starting at around Rs 15 lakh. According to officials, all LIG flats were booked within two hours, prompting DDA to release additional units.

"Not just LIG, we are seeing an increase in sales in all categories—LIG, MIG and HIG—during the first seven months of the current financial year. The sales have already surpassed the figures achieved, or targets set, for the entire FY 2025-26," an official said.

Narela, where more than 40,000 flats were lying unsold until early last year, has emerged as the biggest contributor to DDA's housing sales, accounting for over 90% of total sales so far this financial year, officials said.

"The area is steadily developing into a preferred residential destination, supported by major infrastructure projects such as the Urban Extension Road-II (UER-II), education hub and the upcoming Rithala-Narela-Kundli Metro corridor," an official said.

Officials also credited the fully online booking process through DDA Awaas Portal and the introduction of sample flats and detailed flat-wise information for helping buyers make informed decisions.

To provide additional opportunities to homebuyers, DDA has extended the booking period under the first-come, first-served (FCFS) system till Dec 31, 2026, for its ongoing housing schemes, including DDA Karmayogi Awaas Yojana 2025, DDA Karmajeevi Awaas Yojana 2026 and DDA Nagrik Awaas Yojana 2026.

The Times of India
(4 Nov, 2026)

DMRC sees rise of 8.3 lakh passenger boardings after curbs on vehicles

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New Delhi: After a ban on non-Delhi vehicles below BS-VI came into force Sunday, Delhi Metro recorded a significant rise in passenger boardings of around 8.3 lakh on Nov 2 as compared with the previous Monday.

"Delhi Metro recorded a significant increase in passenger boardings on Nov 2, with total boardings reaching 80,54,968 compared to 72,24,094 on the previous Monday, reflecting an increase of over 8.3 lakh boardings," said a Delhi Metro Rail Corporation (DMRC) official. DMRC defines passenger boarding as the number of metro lines used by a passenger to complete the journey.

The official added that the rise in passenger boardings may be attributed to the implementation of the Graded Response Action Plan (GRAP) stage-I restrictions on the operation of certain non-BS VI vehicles in Delhi, which encouraged more commuters to shift towards public transport.

However, the highest passenger boardings on a single day stood at 82,44,903, recorded on Sept 17. The record was created against the backdrop of DTC bus strike. The previous record of 81,88,115 passenger journeys was witnessed on Aug 8, 2025, on the eve of Raksha Bandhan.

After GRAP stage I was imposed, DMRC added 20 additional trips daily during weekdays. After GRAP stage II was invoked in NCR Monday, 20 more trips were added, taking the total number of extra trips to 40. "Delhi Metro is running 40 extra trips daily to facilitate passenger movement besides making additional facilitation arrangements as and when required at its stations," said the official.

He added that Delhi Metro continues to play a vital role in providing an efficient, reliable and environment-friendly mobility option for the residents of the NCR.

In the DMRC network, Yellow and Blue lines are the busiest, followed by the Pink line.

The rise in pollution levels has been impacting Delhi Metro's ridership. On Nov 18, 2024, Delhi Metro created a then record by registering the highest passenger boardings at 78.7 lakh performed on the network. This was the second most polluted day ever, with an Air Quality Index (AQI) of 494. Additionally, BS-III petrol and BS-IV diesel vehicles were banned as part of GRAP's emergency measures.

RRTS to add extra trips

After Graded Response Action Plan's stage II was imposed, 20 extra trips will be added on the Delhi-Ghaziabad-Meerut Namo Bharat corridor from Wednesday to encourage people to switch to public transport. These additional trips will operate across the entire corridor between Sarai Kale Khan in Delhi and Modipuram in Meerut. "This initiative is in line with the ongoing efforts to promote public transport as a more sustainable mobility option and reduce dependence on private vehicles amid worsening air quality across the region," said an official of NCRTC. TNN

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The Hindustan Times
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{ HERITAGE TOURS } NEXT ON NOV 14

DDA set to organise walks in Sanjay Van

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NEW DELHI: The Delhi Development Authority (DDA) will organise heritage walks with guided tours in Sanjay Van to connect people with Delhi's rich heritage, the authority said on Sunday.

The walk on November 14 will be held in association with the Indian National Trust for Art and Cultural Heritage (INTACH).

"This will be the second walk in the series, and the guided tour will provide visitors with an opportunity to explore the area's extensive history and understand the significance of its historic structures. The walk will cover five locations: the historic well, the large fortification, the small fortification, the bastion near the small fortification and the Lal Kot wall. The historic well, located near the large fortification, is understood to date to the Delhi Sultanate period and represents Delhi's traditional water infrastructure," read a statement.

Forest's significance

The large fortification in Sanjay Van comprises some of the best-preserved remains of Lal Kot-Qila Rai Pithora, Delhi's first fortified city, built by the Tomars in the 11th century CE and expanded by the Chauhans in the 12th century CE. The historic walls reflect early Rajput military architecture and mark the beginning of Delhi's medieval history.

The DDA said interested candidates must pay a ₹500 fee per person and fill out the registration form on the heritage walk website.

The Pioneer
(3 Nov, 2026)

NBCC expands global presence with Australia office

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New Delhi



NBCC (India) Limited, a Navratna Central Public Sector Enterprise under the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA), Government of India, has achieved a significant milestone in its international expansion with the formal inauguration of its branch office, "NBCC Australia" (ARBN 701 405 218) , in Melbourne, Australia, on 28 October 2026.

The opening ceremony was graced by the esteemed presence of the Hon'ble High Commissioner of India to Australia, Joint Secretary & Financial Advisor, Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA), Dr KP Mahadevaswamy, CMD, NBCC, along with other senior officials and distinguished dignitaries.

The establishment of NBCC Australia marks a significant step towards strengthening the company's international presence and expanding its operations into developed markets.

The newly established branch office will focus on undertaking Project Management Consultancy (PMC) services and Engineering, Procurement and Construction (EPC) contracts across Australia, leveraging NBCC's extensive expertise in delivering large-scale infrastructure and construction projects.

As part of its strategic engagement in Australia, a high-level meeting was also held in Brisbane on 27 October 2026 with Hon'ble Ros Bates MP, Minister of Finance, Trade, Employment and Training, Queensland, along with his Advisor Ms. Molly Wagner.

The discussions highlighted substantial opportunities for infrastructure development in Queensland, particularly in sectors such as social housing, hospitality, tourism, institutional infrastructure and transport facilities , especially in view of the upcoming Brisbane 2032 Olympic Games .

The establishment of NBCC Australia represents a major strategic initiative by NBCC's management to position the company as a competitive player in developed international markets.

With its proven track record in executing complex infrastructure projects, NBCC aims to bring its expertise in cost-effective, high-quality and timely delivery of construction and infrastructure solutions to the Australian market.

This landmark development is expected to open new avenues for international business, strengthen India–Australia economic cooperation in the infrastructure sector and further reinforce NBCC's vision of emerging as a globally recognized engineering and construction company.

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HUDCO takes green initiatives under special campaign

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New Delhi



Housing and Urban Development Corporation Limited (HUDCO), under Special Campaign 6.0, undertook a series of activities across its corporate office and regional offices to promote cleanliness, environmental sustainability, community welfare and efficient workplace management, reaffirming its commitment to the vision of a cleaner, greener and more inclusive India.

A key highlight of the campaign was HUDCO's initiative at the Institution for the Blind, Lajpat Nagar, New Delhi,through CSR, aimed at improving the campus environment and creating cleaner, safer and more accessible spaces for students and staff. As part of the initiative, over 100 saplings were planted and flower pots were placed across the campus to enhance its green cover.

The classrooms and boundary walls were painted with creative wall artwork adding vibrancy to the premises. Infrastructure improvement measures included replacement of the wired mesh in ground-floor windows, installation of a new gate and creation of a shaded vehicle parking area. The playground and other campus areas were cleared of waste and debris, while the temple terrace and adjoining walls were cleaned and painted.

These interventions reflect HUDCO's commitment to inclusive community development, environmental conservation and the creation of dignified, hygienic and aesthetically improved surroundings for institutions serving persons with visual disabilities. In addition, HUDCO's Pan Indian offices undertook various activities focused on cleanliness, workplace improvement and responsible resource management. The initiatives included cleanliness drives, administration of the Swachhta Pledge, collection of plastic waste, awareness activities, systematic cleaning and organisation of office premises, and weeding out of old files and records. Scrap, obsolete IT equipment and other redundant materials were disposed of through authorised procedures.

These measures contributed to improved space utilisation, efficient asset management and the development of cleaner, clutter-free and better-organised workplaces. The campaign also encouraged employee participation and reinforced the importance of responsible waste disposal and sustainable workplace practices.

Recognising the significant contribution of personnel engaged in maintaining cleanliness and hygiene, HUDCO also organised an Eye Check-up Camp in collaboration with Centres for Sight Hospital for Swachhta Mitras, housekeeping personnel, multi-tasking staff and security personnel. The initiative underscored HUDCO's commitment to occupational health, employee welfare and the well-being of its support workforce.

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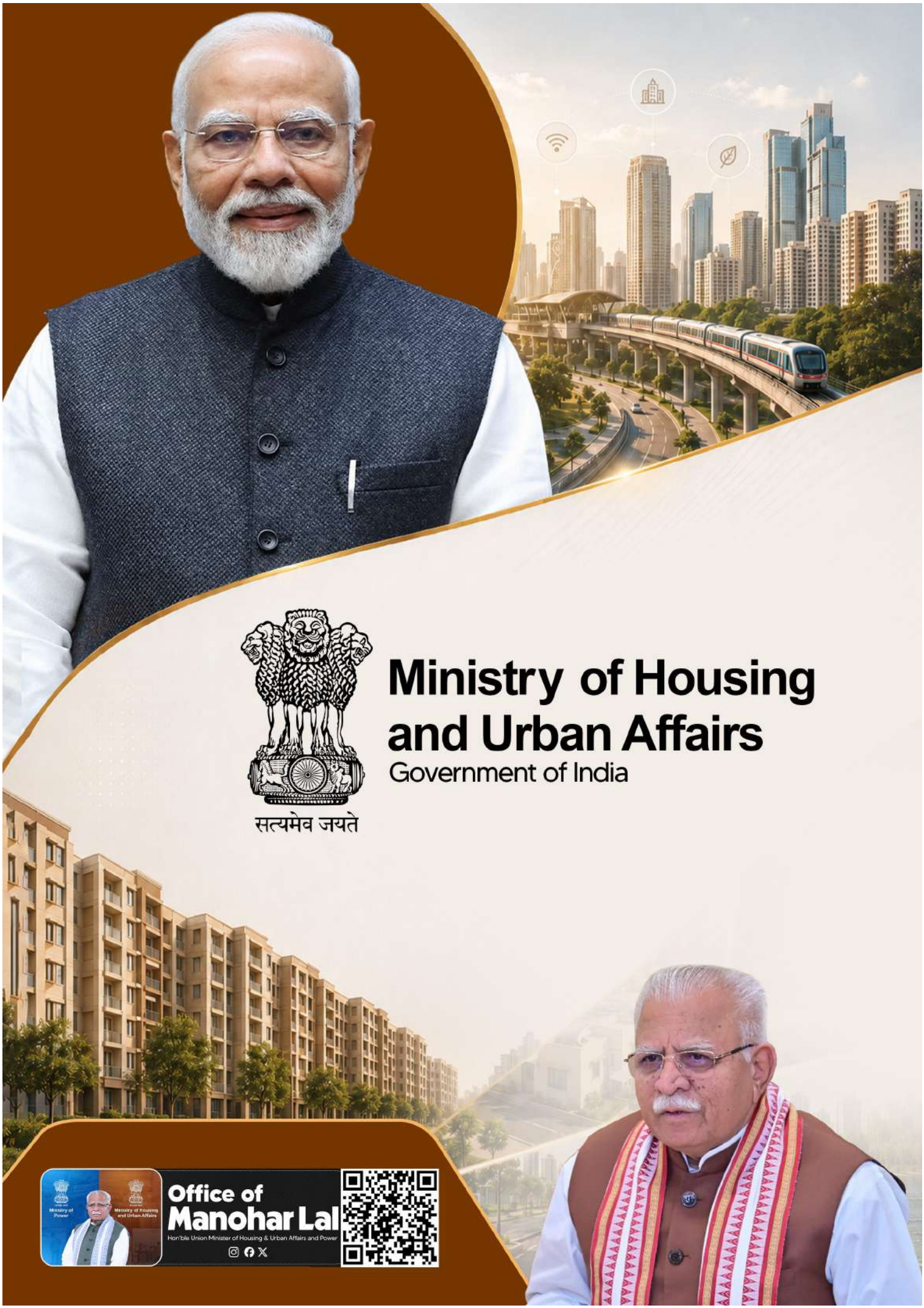
DDA invites Delhi to walk through history

SHIVANGI SHUKLA
New Delhi, November 1



The Delhi Development Authority (DDA) will organise a guided heritage walk at Sanjay Van on November 14, covering five historic structures associated with Delhi's early medieval history. The second walk in the series, organised in association with INTACH Delhi Chapter, will take participants to the Historic Well, Large Fortification, Small Fortification, the Bastion near the Small Fortification and the Lal Kot Wall. The registration fee is Rs. 500 plus GST per person, with online registration available through the DDA portal.

The structures form part of Lal Kot and Qila Rai Pithora, Delhi's earliest fortified capital. DDA has recently undertaken conservation and restoration work at these sites, including repairing the well, stabilising fortification walls and clearing debris. The initiative follows a six month MoU signed between DDA and INTACH to organise 12 guided walks across six heritage and green spaces. The first walk was held at Mehrauli Archaeological Park on October 24. The initiative is being undertaken under the directions of Lieutenant Governor Sardar Taranjit Singh Sandhu.


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