

# **Town Planning**

## **About Directorate of Town Planning**

**Town Planning Organisation was created in the year, 1954 with a view to bring in urban planning and plan implementation in the State. It was replaced by Directorate of Town Planning constituted under the provisions of Odisha Town Planning & Improvement Trust Act, 1956 in the year, 1975. The Directorate of Town Planning, Odisha is engaged in preparation, revision & implementation of Master Plans/ Development Plans and Developmental schemes for the urban centres of the State.**

**It is the nodal agency for the Town planning related activities, Master Plan preparation for Towns/ Rural areas (RURBAN) and regulatory functions (Building Plan Approvals in the Rural Areas for specific buildings) in the Odisha State.**

**Through its subordinate Unit Offices/Special Planning Authorities/Regional Improvement Trusts, the Directorate of Town Planning monitors the drafting of Master Plans/Comprehensive Development Plans. It provides professional advice to the government on the formulation of urban development policies as needed. Furthermore, the Directorate gives technical guidance to the Panchayati Raj Department in order to regulate the construction of larger buildings in rural regions. It has also previously established the Odisha Special Planning Authority and Regional Improvement Trust Common Planning and Building Standard Regulations, 2017.**

**All decisions in the Directorate are made in accordance with several Acts, Regulations, and Administrative Directions of the Government. Section Officers, Establishment Officers, Assistant Town Planners, Town Planners, and Deputy Executive Engineers**

**support the Chief Town Planner and Director, who makes final decisions.**

**The state government has initiated the preparation of Master Plans/ Comprehensive Development Plans for the various development areas in Urban Odisha. Currently Comprehensive Development Plans (CDP)/ Master Plans are being prepared using GIS/RS technologies for all the Urban Local bodies of Odisha state.**

### **Vision**

**The Directorate Town Planning is dedicated to serve the state and is responsible for urban planning, regional planning, transport planning and housing. Directorate Town Planning endeavour to achieve a sustainable urban and regional development of towns through conducting assessment, surveys and studies by preparing comprehensive development plans and Master Plans.**

### **Function**

**Directorate of Town Planning has been entrusted with the responsibility of advising the government in the matter of urban development in the state for preparation of different Master Plans/ Comprehensive Development Plans, Development schemes & Formulation of Planning & Building Standard Regulations etc. Directorate of Town Planning, Odisha through its unit offices located in the district headquarters prepares master plans for the Towns falling under the administrative jurisdiction of the district on behalf of the Planning Authorities. i.e., Regional Improvement Trust & Special Planning Authorities. Throughout this procedure, 70 master plans and comprehensive development plans for various urban areas were produced and authorised. Currently, initiatives are being conducted to prepare master plans on G.I.S. platforms. Furthermore, master plans for all new towns are being developed using GIS and RS technologies.**

**DTP activities include:**

- a. Preparation of master plans and approval of the same on behalf of special planning authorities.**
- b. Preparation of project reports for the IDSMT and monitoring of the schemes.**
- c. Technical guidance to Government as well as planning authorities with respect to regulation of plan proposals.**
- d. Registration of Technical Persons under ODA (CAF) Rules-2016.**
- e. Approval of Building Plan in Panchayat Areas.**
- f. Formulation of Parameters on Fire Safety Measures for Clinical establishments.**
- g. Creation of Data Dissemination Cell.**
- h. Preparation of master plan for Rurban clusters.**
- i. Technical advisors are given to Government on various activities such as.**
  - Fire safety norms.**
  - Preparation of Building Regulations for the Planning Authorities.**
  - Tourism Projects.**
  - Climate change, Pollution Control, Disaster Managements.**
  - Steering Committee/Authority meeting.**
  - Selection of agency for preparation of Master Plan.**
  - Giving suggestion on constitution of SPA Committee, Trust Board etc.**
  - Submission of Proposal for enforcement of OTP & IT Act, 1956.**