Surge - The Inquiry

Minutes of the Meeting: as discussed on *29th January 2022, Saturday*

1. **Recap of the earlier discussion on the '15-minute city' concept**
   1.1. Discussed the urban design model accommodating the daily essentials in the vicinity.
   1.2. Understood scope of the viability and the feasibility of the proposed model keeping in mind the dynamic changes in the environment and user behaviour and patterns.
   1.3. Discussed the proposed suggestions such as social interactions, vehicular movements, the futuristic possibilities(driverless cars, 3-D printed buildings) and the depth of the research project
   1.4. Underlined the concept of the '15-minute city' as discussed

1. **Introductory brainstorming of the concept**
   1.1. Discussed the **history of the concept and its relevance to space and time and how to establish a link between them through the research**, also discussed the different countries such as Paris, adapting the model and how they are going about the same.
   1.2. Establishing human interaction and hence **spaces of recreation** and interaction as the most important, as the **need for human interaction will sustain any test of time.**
   1.3. **Associating the scope of the concept to the Indian context** and assessing its viability pertaining to different tiers of cities, and the concerned users in the scope of this research study.
   1.4. Making sure that the essence and the body of the space remains intact and that there is **no loss of identity to the prevailing culture and heritage of the region and community in the process**, and to contribute utility and value to the existing surrounding and its prevailing culture than to create something entirely new and alien.
   1.5. Discussing the **futuristic possibilities in terms of technological advancements** and how we could integrate it in the scope of the current study
   1.6. While looking at the model of the '15-minute city', or of a 'city within a city', how do we account for **the interaction of an individual outside of this circle**, and how to **discourage formation of exclusive clusters.**

2. **Building the framework of the Research work**
   2.1. To understand what type of spaces are needed and desired and their aim, purpose and consequences
   2.2. To recognise how people's behaviour pattern would change with the introduction of the 15-Minute City concept

2.3. To develop an understanding of the post pandemic consequences and keeping in account the possibilities of future dynamic changes in the surrounding and the working of the proposed model and its adaptability to the changes

2.4. To focus on spaces pertaining to general public use while having an understanding of the commercial aspect as well

2.5. To suggest the necessary interventions such as 'using the existing structures like schools buildings for multiple purposes and how its cross programming would likely function.

3. Proposed Scope of the Study

3.1. To establish the **region of the study (Village, Town, City)** and to segregate and distinguish the facilities between necessities and luxurious and develop an understanding of the **behaviour of the usertype (depending on income group)** towards various amenities and facilities.

3.2. To account for the **technological advancements**. How do we account for innovations like driverless cars, drones used for deliveries, flying cars not hindering street life.

3.3. A huge downside of the 15-minute city model can be seen in the formation of exclusive clusters and lack of interaction between people across two neighbourhoods of this kind. While proposing a better framework, how do we account for **connectivity between nodes** across the 'cities'.

3.4. While keeping in mind not only the major income groups in India, we cannot forget to account for the diversity in culture. How can we have a more **inclusive** model?