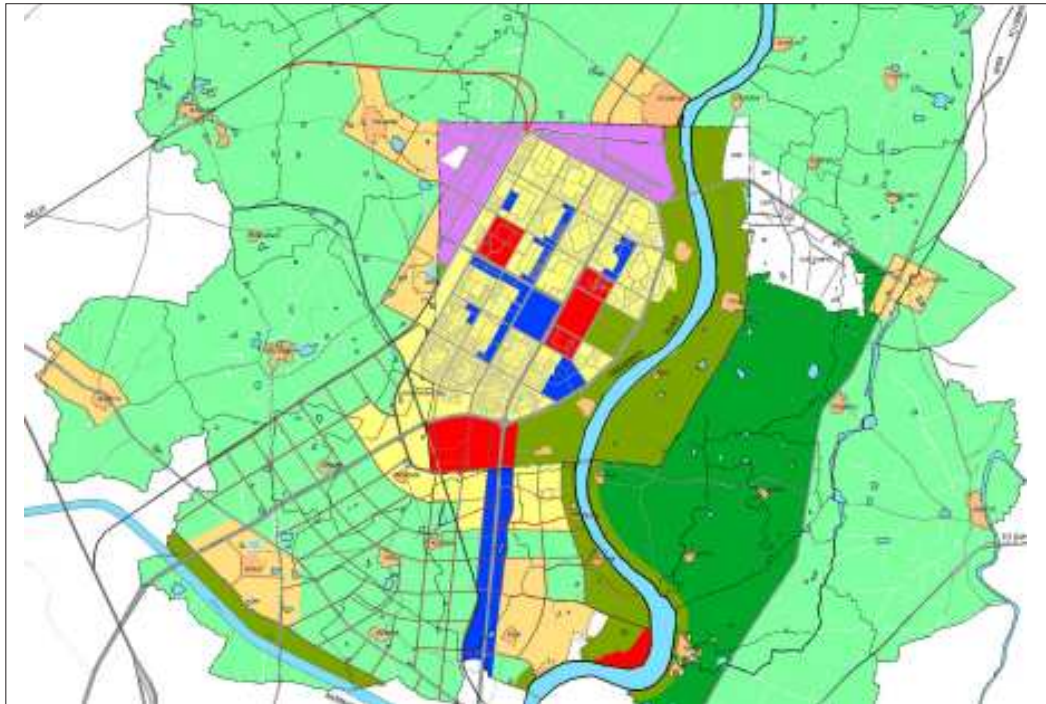


Draft Development Plan

Gandhinagar



PROJECT PROFILE

Client

Gandhinagar Urban Development Authority (GUDA)

Area

387 sq km

Duration

Mar 1999 - May 2002

Associated Consultants

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Salient Features

Computerized Base Map
Stakeholder Consultations
Planning - Road Network, Landuse and GDCRs
Implementation Strategy

Gandhinagar, the capital of Gujarat State, was planned as a new town in the 1960s. It has developed into an administrative center with little economic and cultural activities. While the strictly controlled Gandhinagar Notified Area (GNA) has seen slow development, the area between Gandhinagar and Ahmedabad has seen rapid development. To manage the future growth and liven up the present city, in March 1996, the Government notified GUDA, covering an area of 387 sq km, comprising of the GNA and 39 adjoining villages under the GTPUDA, 1976. GUDA commissioned EPC to prepare its Draft Development Plan (DP) as per the provisions prescribed in Sections 9 to 16 of the GTPUDA.

Planning concerns included: restricted supply of residential land, no scope for commercial development, lack of city life, underutilization of land, undeveloped open spaces, no space for informal sector, lack of public/entertainment facilities and dead street edges. The Draft DP proposed: planned and systematic expansion of new urbanizable area through "sector development", land development through TPS with provision for private sector involvement, no reservations/land acquisitions, innovative development control regulations with emphasis on "place-based" regulations, regulations for heritage conservation and detailed implementation strategy.

