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### **PREFACE**

Indian cities have sociocultural and religious parts that always been inextricably plain-woven within this urban waterbodies. It's evident in the history that human settlements typically evolved along the water edge. The connection between a town and its city district is exclusive and forever dynamic, counting on the functions administrated on adjacent land.

People owe their life and have learnt to live in society and developed completely different cultures and civilizations on the river front. However in trendy city riverfront are neglected. The result this neglect the city deprives of the good aesthetic potential of the river. These are typically screened with the backsides of industries, slums, marketing yards for all varieties of wastes and unplanned growth.

NOIDA, a satellite city of Delhi, don't have any mythological history and identity of its own. Riverfront along the Yamuna in Delhi is given more emphasis, therefore, developing a riverfront on the banks of Yamuna in Noida is an effort to create a face for the town and promote its identity besides rising IT industrial hub. Taking inspiration from the Ghats of Varanasi, it's an attempt to create new public realm facing towards the river that is strongly connected to the city's urban fabric.

The study will be limited to architectural and spacial aspects only. It will not develop policies and regulation. Ecological perspective will be partially taken into consideration.

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### **ABBREVIATION**

CIA Cultural Impact Assessment
CPCB Central Pollution Control Board
DUAC Delhi Urban Art Commission

ESIA Environment and Social Impact Assessment

ESMF Environment and Social Management Framework

ESMP Environment and Social Management Plan

GoI Government of India

ICOMOS International Council on Monuments and Sites
INTACH Indian National Trust for Art and Cultural Heritage

MoEF Ministry of Environment and Forests NIUA National Institute of Urban Affairs

NYRBA National Yamuna River Basin Authority

NGO Non- Government Organization NMCG National Mission for Clean Ganga

NPRR National Policy on Resettlement and Rehabilitation

NP National Park
OP Operational Policy

RFD River Front Development
SPCB State Pollution Control Board

URDPFI Urban and Regional Development and Plans Formulation and Implementation

WB World Bank

WLPA Wild Life Protection Act
WLS Wild Life Sanctuary

ZSI Zoological Survey of India

### **Project Background:**

The proposed thesis title, 'Noida Riverfront Development', is an attempt to bring back the lost existence of the river Yamuna in Noida. The lost connection of the city with the river is the driving factor to choose this topic to establish harmony between the flowing river, existing nature and the urban population and infrastructure. Due to its non-perennial nature and narrow width, it is neglected by the city and is considered a "Nala" drain by most of its residents, as a result it is merely a sink for solid waste and wastewater, what flows in the river throughout the year is untreated sewage poured into the river by the nallas and solid waste from the households. The connection between a city and its waterfront is exclusive and always changing, depending on the functions administered on adjoining land. People owe their lives, have learnt to measure in society, and have developed different cultures and civilizations on the riverfront. However, in modern towns, the riverfront is neglected. The result of this neglect is that the town is deprived of the nice aesthetic potential of the river. These are often screened by the backsides of industries, slums, and dumping yards for all forms of waste and unplanned growth. Encroachments also continue to threaten the health of this river.

Noida, a part of Delhi, does not have any mythological history or identity of its own. Therefore, developing a riverfront along the banks of Yamuna in Noida is a shot to make a face for the town and promote its identity besides being an emerging IT industrial hub.

In accordance with thesis competition guidelines, this project falls under Theme-4 Generating a river-related economy.

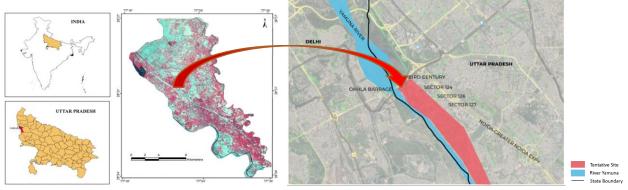


Figure 1 Site location

### **Introduction:**

Each new investment along the rivers encourages activity, unleashes vitality and increases land value, while providing places for people to enjoy. Most cities have their back to the urban waterfronts, severing the connection between its people and water. In Delhi-Noida, the flowing river Yamuna dries up for almost 9 months of the entire year. 80% of the total pollution in Yamuna is due to flow of sewage and waste from 22 drains. Hence, Yamuna Riverfront Project is being carried out, but the patch flowing through Noida is not taken into consideration. Developing a riverfront where people gets access to river, can enjoy the face time with river throughout the day without the changing season as barriers. That ultimately helps in boosting the economy through river.

Riverfront Development has become a new 'normality' in recent years for tracing the future of contemporary cities at the global level. It is emerging as an active urban face and becoming promising recreational and cultural hubs. In India, rivers are part of Indian culture and rituals, many festivals are associated with water as an element. For instance, such festivals include - Ganapati, Durga visarjan, Chatt Puja, kawad etc. Due to this, the riverbed has become a perfect location for temples and other religious spaces.

Contemporary riverfront developments in India face a frightening task to attain a balance between the split ideas of local vs the world. Riverfront developments in Indian cities are conventionally guided by socio-cultural benefits. Earlier development authorities majorly geared toward improvement of socio-cultural fabric while improving infrastructure and amenities along riverfronts. Since most rituals of Hindu culture require the presence of water bodies, religious importance has always been related to these developments. However, some rivers attributable to their perennial and navigable nature have also been related to riverfronts as ports. City reduced to a continuous sprawl and offers lack of Identity.

### Rules, Regulations and byelaws:

Table 1 : Environmental Regulations and Legislations (Source: Author)

S.NO	Act/Rule	Purpose	Applica- bility	Reason for applicability	Authority
1	Wildlife (Protection) Act 1972	The Wildlife Protection Act, 1972 has been formulated in order to protect the wild life in sanctuaries and National Park.	Yes	The selected patch is within the area of 10km.	Chief Conservator Wildlife, Wildlife wing, state forest department, MoEF, GoI
2	Land Acquisition Act, 1894 (As amended) right to fair compensation and transparency in land acquisition, rehabilitation and resettlement act 2013	Sets out rule for acquisition of land by govt.	No	No private land acquisition is involved.	
3	The Air (Prevention and Control of	To control air pollution by controlling emission of air	Yes	This act will be applicable during the construction stage.	SPCB

	Noida Rivertront Development				
	Pollution) Act,	pollutants as per the			
	1981	prescribed			
		standards.			
4	Water	To control water	Yes	This act is applicable for	SPCB
	Prevention	pollution by		the construction stage of	
	and Control of	controlling		the project.	
	(Pollution)	discharge of			
	act,1974	pollutants as per the			
		prescribed			
		standards			
5	The Noise	The standards for	Yes	This act will be	SPCB
	Pollution	noise for day and		applicable for all	
	(Regulation	night have been		construction	
	and Control)	promulgated by the		equipment deployed at	
	Rules, 2000	MoEF for various		worksite.	
		land uses.			
6	Municipal	To manage	Yes	This rule is applicable	Moe,
	Solid Wastes	collection,		both during the	CPCB,
	(Management	transportation,		construction stage (from	SPCB
	and Handling)	segregation,		generation of	SPCD
	Rules,	treatment and		waste from labor camp)	
	2000	disposal of		and generation of waste	
		municipal solid		from ghat users during	
		waste		operation stage.	
7	Public	This act details out	No	Largely no such	SPCB
	Liability Act	the requirement of	=	hazardous waste is being	21 02
	and Insurance	protection from		expected from ghat	
	act	hazardous materials		development project	
	1991	and accidents and		hence this act is not	
	1,7,1	sets the guideline		applicable. Contractor	
		how to store the		need to abide by this act	
		hazardous		if they store hazardous	
		materials.		substances such as	
		materiais.		petroleum products, etc.	
				penoieum producis, etc.	

### **RIVER REGULATIONS:**

**No Development and Construction Zone (NDCZ)**: The competent authority shall determine a NDCZ on either bank for every river which shall not be less than the "Active Flood Plain" of the river.

Following public facilities shall not be permitted in active flood plain/ NDCZ: Hospitals, nursing homes, and housing, Police stations, fire stations, vehicle and equipment storage facilities, and emergency operations centers that are needed for flood response activities Structures or facilities that produce, use, or store highly volatile, inflammable, explosive, toxic, and/or water-reactive materials, Public semi-public facilities like sewage and water treatment plants (STP/ WTP); power

plants and stations; bus depot; metro stations/ depot etc. Commercial extraction of well water by non-government / private agencies shall not be permitted with in NDCZ in any category of the river.

**Permitted activities/uses:** Parks/Gardens, playgrounds, sports facilities including stadium, swimming pools, burial cemeteries and crematoria. The Parking for these facilities shall be provided as per the provisions of the master plan and up 2% of the total land area with FAR of 0.50 and G+1 structure. Open air theatres, indoor recreational uses, dwelling for watch and ward, sports clubs, water front tourism development projects, libraries, milk booths, Horticultural Producers' Cooperative Marketing and Processing Society (HOPCOMS), public toilets. The ground coverage for such use shall not exceed 5% of the full area with required parking facility and shall not be over G+1 floor in any case. The ground coverage for such use shall not exceed 5% of the overall area with required parking facility and shall not be quite G+1 floor in any case.

**Prohibited activities zone:** This zone extends from the river bank to the outer edge of the floodplain and beyond. The limit will be extended up to 500 meters from the highest flood level in the past 50 years. These zones are the area which are subjected to frequent flooding and are most vulnerable to adverse impacts of human activities. In case of the presence of embankments in the floodplain area, then this zone will extend form the river bank to the present outermost embankment and further a 100 m buffer is provided outside that embankment.

**Restricted activities zones:** Restricted activities zone includes the floodplain areas which are less frequently affected by the floods and lie farther from the river. It will have limits extended from the outer limits of the prohibited zone and up to 1 KM.

**Regulated activities zone:** This zone extends up to 3 km from the outer limits of the restricted activities zone. Certain activities will be permitted in this zone.

The buffer for water bodies such as lakes/streams/drains shall be governed as per the NGT Orders. In case of water bodies, a 75 meter buffer of No Development and Construction Zone is to be maintained around the lake as per the revenue record with exception of activities associated with lakes. This buffer may be taken into account for reservation of park while sanctioning plans.

The following laws and regulations are application to the environment and social aspects of the proposed *ghat* development program:

Policy and regulatory framework of Govt. of India Environmental Policy of the respective State Governments Legislations applicable to the construction activities

### **CASE STUDY:**

To know the insights of the existing riverfronts, certain case studies were studied thoroughly based on literature study of existing Riverfronts in India based on below mentioned parameters:

- Design concept
- Land use analysis

- Built-up analysis
- Activities in vicinity

Riverfronts chosen for the study are:

Sabarmati Riverfront, Ahmedabad

Patna Riverfront

Haridwar Riverfront (Har ki Pauri)

Yamuna Riverfront, Delhi

Table-2 Comparative Case Study Analysis (Source - Author):

CASE STUDY	YAMUNA RIVERFRONT	SABARMATI RIVERFRONT	PATNA RIVERFRONT
		RIVERFRONT	
LOCATION	Delhi	Ahmedabad, Gujarat	Patna, Bihar
RIVER	Yamuna	Sabarmati	Ganga
STRECTCH	25 Km	11.5 Km	7 Km
TYPE	Recreational	Recreational	Religious & Recreational
ACTIVITIES	Parking, Weekly Haat, Mela Ground	Ghats, Riverfront Parks,	Chhath Puja ghat,
	For Chhath Puja, Chhath Puja Ghat,	Amusement Park, Urban	community areas,
	Solar Farm, Eco Area –	Forest, Boating Stations,	crematorium, audio
	Boardwalk/Birdwatch Trail, Plaza,	Flower Garden Plazas,	visual theatres, teaching
	Grand Lawn - Open Exhibition	Sports Complex,	centers, pedestrian trail,
	Space, Amphitheatre, Exhibition	Cycling, Kiosks, etc.	promenade, etc.
	Centre, Cafés, Pedestrian/Bike Trail		
	along Nullah.		

### **Inferences from the Case Studies:**

- i. Provide adequate parking space.
- ii. Create/design a large open space where the event can take place, as people tend to stay overnight on the grounds there is need for a large space to provide temporary shelter during the festival.
- iii. Multiple uses and edge treatments have to be allowed.
- iv. The design vision calls for design strategies, and deliberate planning of open spaces, which strike a balance between innovation and historic preservation as opposed to a single solution. This will give the riverfront the flexibility to evolve over time.
- v. Building typology should not hinder the aroma of nature instead should be acted as extended platforms for the ghats.
- vi. On site artificial ponds can be created since, there is scope of level difference up to 1m between edges.
- vii. Multiple activities in different zones along riverfront. All the sectors of urban activities (economic-productive, residential, pertaining to culture and leisure, mobility), should be properly mixed

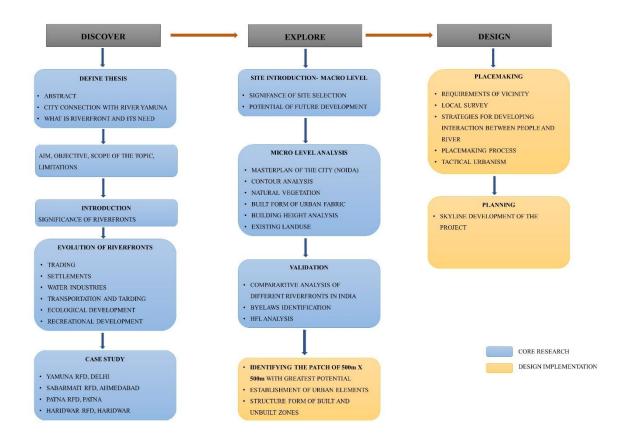
- viii. River front should be developed keeping in mind previous and original uses for these zones with the purpose of keeping alive the memory of such unusual aspects, and preserving old identity of these places.
  - ix. A road map of all routes that facilitate and develop interaction between different activities rather than separating them.
  - x. The side-by-side development of 'public and private' is referring to functions (government offices, museums etc.), spaces (plazas, roads, parks etc.) and the actors managing the services on the riverfront.

### **Design Overview and Methodology:**

"To resuscitate the relation between river and the city by socio-petal, ingenious and persuasive sustainable practices to transform the urban interface of the river and city with solicitude towards ecology and culture to revive the city's identity on its water front".

The project establishes the physical connection of the city with the river. It focuses to create new public realm facing towards the river that is strongly connected to the city's urban fabric. To improve environment quality and create recreational opportunities, further boosting socioeconomic development of the neighbourhoods and rejuvenating the cultural bonds with the river. Employment opportunities by creating economic activities for livelihood generation.

Improvement of safety measures with deployment of efficient exit routes during religious gatherings along the project ghats.



The above images show- case a flow chart of the design methodology followed. Steps undertaken to develop an economical and sustainable design solution to achieve an active recreational space along the riverside.

### **Site Analysis:**

The riverfront is proposed within the range of 10km of Okhla bird sanctuary along sector 124,125,126,127 and 128 in Noida, Uttar Pradesh.

The presence of world-class transit, recreational and educational centers in the vicinity, the proposed building has to respond to the modern expression of commercial built form.

The NOIDA has developed sector 62, 125, 126, 127, 132, 135, 136, 142,143, 144, 153, 154, etc., where Institutional and other office facilities will house large number of offices and employment opportunities.

Considering the fact that the level of facilities in Noida and transport linkages with Delhi are bound to increase in the short run, the rate of growth of population is likely to accelerate in the future.

### City Features:-

Soil						- ]	Moderate	ly 1	fertile
Earthquake zone	- Zone IV (High Damage Risk Zone with potential of MSK VIII earthquake)								
Terrain	- Gener	ally plain v	vith a grad	lual slo	ope varyin	g betw	een 0.2-0	.1 pe	ercent
	from	r	ortheast		to		S	outh-	west.
Climate				-	Sumn	ner :	March	to	June
	Winter	:		Octobe	er	to		Feb	ruary
	Monsoon		:	July	,	to	;	Septe	mber
Connectivity	- Anand V	'ihar Termir	nal Railwa	y Stati	on (ANV	T) and	Ghaziaba	d Jur	ection
	Railway			Stat	tion			(	GZB)
	Indira	Gandhi	Inte	rnation	nal 1	Airport	37		km
	Hindon		Airpo	rt		27			km
	New	Delhi	to	)	Noida	ı:	23		km
Population	-	6.37 lakhs	(Census	2011)	Male-3.3	lakhs,	Female-	2.8	lakhs



Figure 2 Site images (Source - Author)

# Noida Riverfront Development BOUNDARY ROAD ROAD NURSERY ROAD NOIDA-GR-NOIDA EXPRESSIWAY

Figure 3 Existing site Scenario (Source - Author)

Historically, the Yamuna River was the backbone of civilization in Northern India. This natural resource was once viewed as sacred. The modern Yamuna has become a dumping ground for society's waste. Therefore, settlement along the river is undeveloped and land is parceled out to industry and infrastructure.

### **Objective of Vision:**

- i. Proposals that would uplift the standard of living of people, hygiene conditions of river and its surrounding.
- ii. Defining a better connectivity of this zone with the other parts of the city, which talks about transportation and access.
- iii. To adapt a practice of renewing and restoring the degraded ecosystems and habitat with active human interventions and actions.
- iv. Proposals to boost economy, employment opportunities associated with this stretch.
- v. Enable the settlement and the river edge to the changing courses of river, seasonal variations in the river water.
- vi. Proposals that give a dynamic definition to river edge by seasonal allocation of activities.

Table-3 Vision and Agenda (Source - Author):

CITY LEVEL	AREA LEVEL	SITE LEVEL
Connection- River edge and	Introducing new modes of	Promenade, pedestrian,
city	connection- waterways, roads,	connection from
	parking, etc.	neighborhood, bicycle paths.
Restoring the ecology of river	Retaining open spaces	Defunct open spaces
Redeveloping and	Encroachment	Bird feeding, workshops, art
identification of dense areas	Redevelopment, defines	galleries, etc.
	spaces	
Economic activities	Commercial stretches, new	Drive in theatres, fair ground,
	activities	restaurants, etc.
Infrastructure and services	Planning growth and strategy,	
	parking, security.	

## **Urban Precinct Analysis:**

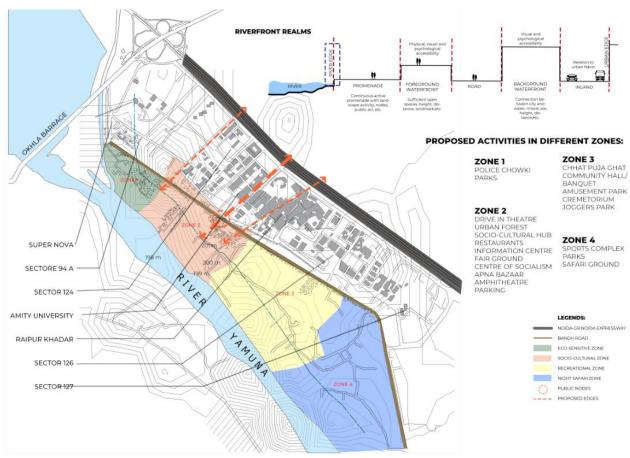
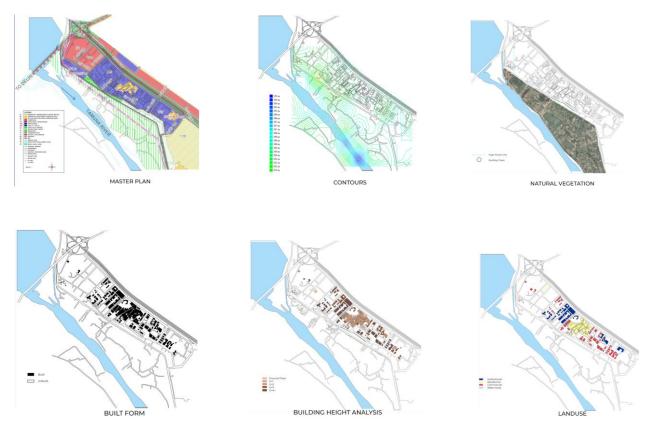


Figure 4 Parametric Evaluation Criteria (Source - Author)



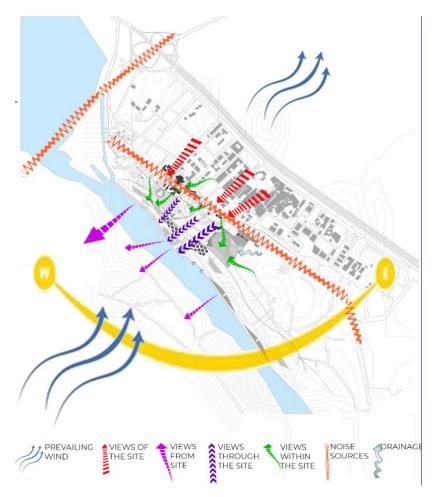


Figure 5 Climate and Sensory (Source - Author)

The project focuses on finding ways of feeling and associating with water at different levels:

- Through sight (vision)
- Touch
- Essence of water

The proposal is expected to cover the following agendas:

- i. Establishing the social and physical linkage with the city.
- ii. Generate activities that support social and economic upliftment of the society.
- iii. Utilizing river edge to showcase the real life as a theatre that is visible through different levels, portraying the lively ambience of people and the nature.

### **Character Zoning:**

Restoring the essence of River Yamuna, the proposed building blocks derives its inspiration from the architecture of Vrindavan. The expected outcome are the active waterfront edge for the local communities and to attract tourists.

The selected patch is divided into 4 major zones based on the neighborhood and existing physical condition of the site:

**Zone 1** is **ECO ZONE**, which is in the close proximity to the Okhla Bird Sanctuary. Hence, this zone is sensitive towards the natural vegetation and to avoid hindering the existing bird watch trail. This

zone

includes:

Police Station, Ticket Counter, Existing Nursery **Zone 2** is in close proximity to institutional areas. Therefore, this zone includes spaces and activities, which attracts the students the most. Hence, is the name **Socio- Cultural Zone**. The proposed spaces in this zone are: School of Arts, Socio-cultural Hub, Apna Bazaar, Cafeteria, Fair Ground, Centre of Socialism, Urban Forest, Drive in Theatre, Amphitheatre, Light show, View Deck.

Zone 3 lies in front of the residential area. It is called Neighborhood Recreation. This zone focuses on improved neighborhood interaction, which is missing in metropolitan cities. Therefore, the proposal for this zone includes: Gathering Lawn, Visarjan Ghat, Promenades, Banquet Hall, Amusement park, Jogger's park, Existing crematorium and cemetery. Zone faces industrial growth and also comprises of illegal farmhouses. Due to availability of plenty of flora and fauna in the region, it can be turned into Night Safari Zone. utilized This zone can be for future expansion with: Urban agriculture, Horticulture farming, **Sports** Complex, Resort clubs.

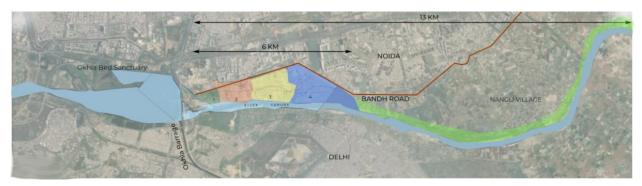


Figure 6 Character Zones

The initial studies, surveys, observations and their analysis finds a dire need to strengthen the selected stretch which is used by illegal farm owners, land crushers, etc.

Routes can be developed around the potential nodes approaching to the riverbank. Dividing the stretch into different zones based on the physical characteristics and its sensitivity towards the concerned neighborhood to meet the needs of the community as an economic resource. Giving the advantage and benefits of the resources will make the users more responsible to the space in terms of cleanliness. This will increase the vitality of the place to revive the environment for different activities and recreational areas, making it a center of attraction for the city.

As shown in the master plan several open spaces are provided that serves the purpose of catering the huge footfall at the same time. Seasonal variations as per the occasion signifies the use of spaces appropriately.

Fair ground aimed to be utilized for exhibitions and cow grazing at times by local vendors and gaushalas in the nearby sectors.



Figure 7 Master Plan



Figure 8 Site Sections



## **Landscape And Vegetation:**

Forest (>50% canopy cover): Plant wherever possible; provides shade, recreation, riparian habitat, and erosion control, loud mitigation and water quality treatment. Woodland (<50% canopy cover): Plant wherever views are desired through trees; provides most benefits forest and may be more acceptable in developed Scrubland: Plant to protect steep slopes and as natural fences for pedestrian/bicycle traffic control. Meadow: Plant as a means of managing large open areas; provides riparian buffers and habitat for mammals, insects and Lawn: Plant on relatively let slopes only and active recreation zones; separate lawns from river edges with riparian buffer.

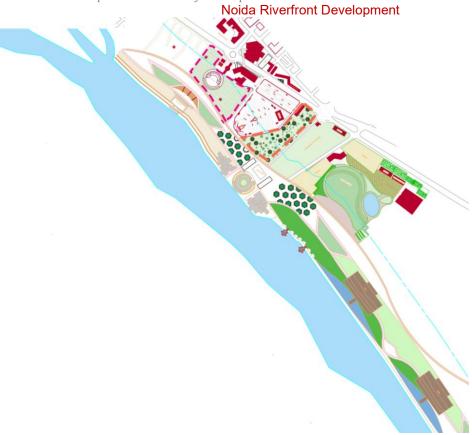


Figure 9 Zone development

### **Strategy Tools:**

- Increase opportunities to rest (pedestrian) and increase the provision of safe, secure and sheltered parking (cycling). The functioning of a pedestrian route largely depends on the resting spaces provided for the users. Shade and proper street furnishings improve the quality of the pedestrian environment.
- The walkways have multiple interjections to create a sense of pause and provide seating spaces. This will be a well designed open space which is part of an interconnected network to promote pedestrian and bicycle trips between open space and destinations.
- Buildings are meant to evolve and change; they are constantly changing and used as an extended platform. Building proposals of Centre of Socialism, Apna Bazaar, Cafeteria, Information Centre, etc. These buildings are a source to generate economic resources for maintenance.
- Drive in theatre is the key attraction of the riverfront serving dual purpose for the day and night. It can be transformed to the live performance ground when not in use for movies.
- Visarjan Ghat act as an alternative to serve the purpose of visarjan of idols and perform chat puja near the river. The proposed Kund is a result of contours analysis, which prevent the direct exposure of foreign elements in the river and that, can be cleaned with ease.

### Area Program:

Noida Riverfront Development					
SITE SPECIFICATIONS		PROPOSED SPACES	AREA(sqm)		
SITE AREA	75 ACRES	SOCIO-CULTURAL HUB	8000		
SITE DIMENSIONS	600m X450m	APNA BAZAAR	1150		
MAJOR LANDMARK	AMITY	CENTRE OF SOCIALISM	3800		
	UNIVERSITY,	CAFETERIA	650		
	NOIDA	INFORMATION CENTRE	1400		
PERMISSIBLE F.A.R	0.5	SNACKS AND BAR	1200		
MAXIMUM PERMISSIBLE	151757 sqm	TICKET COUNTER	125		
BUILT-UP		SCHOOL OF ARTS	9000		
ACHIEVED BUILT UP	30,000				
MAXIMUM GROUND	5% of total area	AMENETIES			
COVERAGE	(15175 sqm)	POLICE STATION	125		
MAXIMUM HEIGHT	G+2	TOILETS	750		
PARKING	2% of total area	CHANGING ROOMS	500		
	(6070 sqm)	BANQUET HALL	3000		
OPEN SPACES	ADE A (a arra)	SPACE	AREA (SQM)		
DRIVE IN THEATRE	AREA(sqm) 18000	CAFETERIA	AREA (SQIVI)		
URBAN FOREST	19500	CAFETERIA			
	21000	LITCHEN	52		
PARKING LIGHT SHOW	5500	KITCHEN DINNING AREA	242		
VIEW DECK	4500	SERVICE AREA	27		
STAGGERED STEPS	7400	TOILET	24		
TICKET COUNTER	125				
FAIR GROUND	23000				
PROMENADE VICABIAN CHAT	2200				
VISARJAN GHAT	3200				
GATHERING LAWN	17500				
AMPHITHEATRE	3500				
NURSERY	15400				
SPACE	AREA (SQM)	SPACE	AREA (SQM)		
INFORMATION CENTRE		CENTRE OF SOCIALISM			
ENTRANCE LOBBY	140	ENTRANCE LOBBY	140		
MANAGER' ROOM	30	MANAGER' ROOM	60		
ASSISTANT MANAGER'S ROOM	A 15	ASSISTANT MANAGER'S ROOM	30		
MEETING ROOM	30	ACCOUNT ROOM	145		
AV ROOM	320	MEETING ROOM	30		
TOILET	35	THEATRE	710		
		SCHOLAR'S ZONE	140		
RESTAURANT		LIBRARY	740		
DINNING AREA	250	LIBRARIAN ROOM	40		
KITCHEN	35	READING ROOM	40		
SERVICE CORE	415	THEATRE	250		
WAITING AREA	62	CONFERENCE HALL	230		
UTILITY AREA	18	SERVICE CORE			
WET STORAGE	14	TOILET	70		
DRY STORAGE	11	PANTRY	40		
SERVICE ENTRY	10				

Noida Riverfront Development					
SPACE	AREA (SQM)				
SOCIO-CULTURAL HUB		COMMON SPACES			
		SEATING	350		
ENTRANCE LOBBY	75	GREEN ROOM	200		
WAITING LOBBY	200	REST ROOM	100		
ADMIN	80	CONTROL ROOM	100		
AUDITORIUM	370	REHERSAL HALL	100		
CO-WORKING SPACE	370	MULTIPURPOSE ROOMS	100		
CAFETERIA	165	CIRCULATION	1000		
TOILET	70	LANDSCAPING	300		
AV ROOM	90	RECREATIONAL HALL	100		
DANCE/DRAMA AREA	55	FOOD COURT	160		
GALLERY	390	RECREATIONAL CULTURAL	360		
SNOW WORLD	450	SPACES			
MUSIC ROOM	50	GAMES AND ACTIVITIES	400		
SERVICE CORE	70				
STORE ROOM	35	STILT PARKING	900		
EXHIBITION HALL 1	195	SURFACE PARKING	1200		
EXHIBITION HALL 2	195				
CONFERENCE HALL	50				
WORKSHOP	360				
RESTROOM	50				

### **Proposed Building blocks:**

The main design criteria in composite climate is to reduce heat gain by providing shading and promoting heat loss. Plan the building around the Courtyard with water bodies, terrace gardens, light shelves. Reduce heat gain in the building through building envelope.

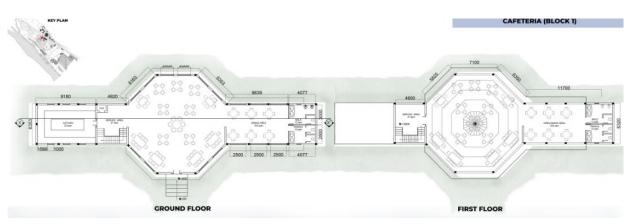


Figure 10 Cafeteria Floor Plans

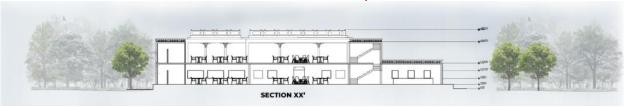






Figure 11 Cafeteria View

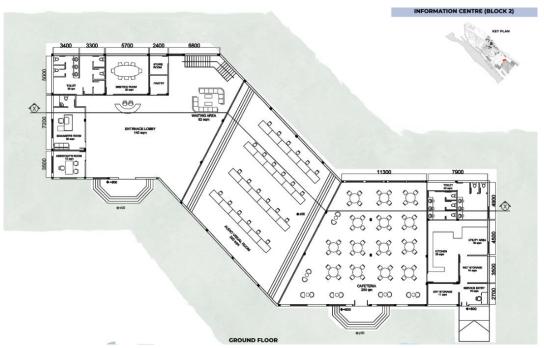
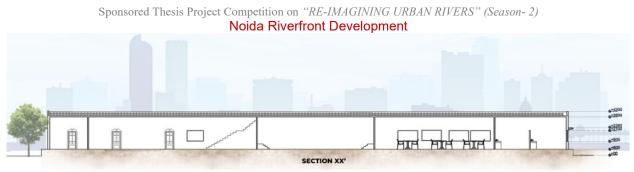
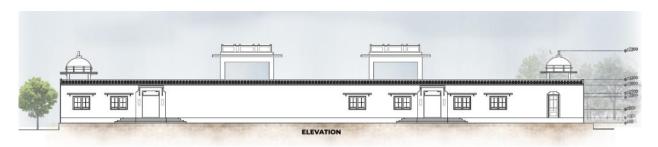


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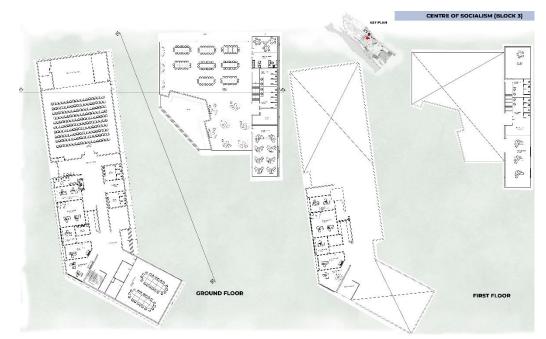


Figure 13 Centre of Socialism plan

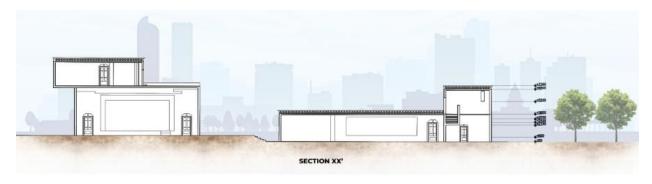




Figure 14 Centre of Socialism View (Source - Author)



Figure 15 Socio-cultural Hub plan

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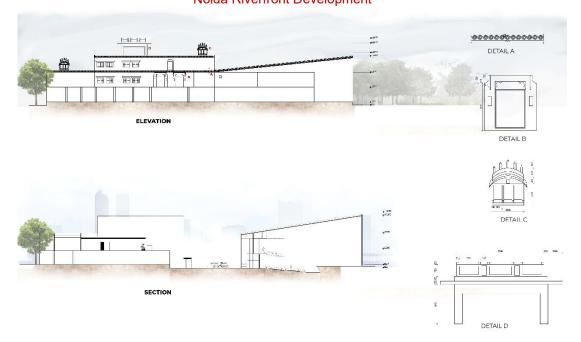


Figure 16 Architectural Vocabulary of Buildings



Figure 17 Socio-Cultural Hub view



Figure 18 Interactive spaces around Apna Bazaar (Source - Author)



Figure 19 Riverfront realm

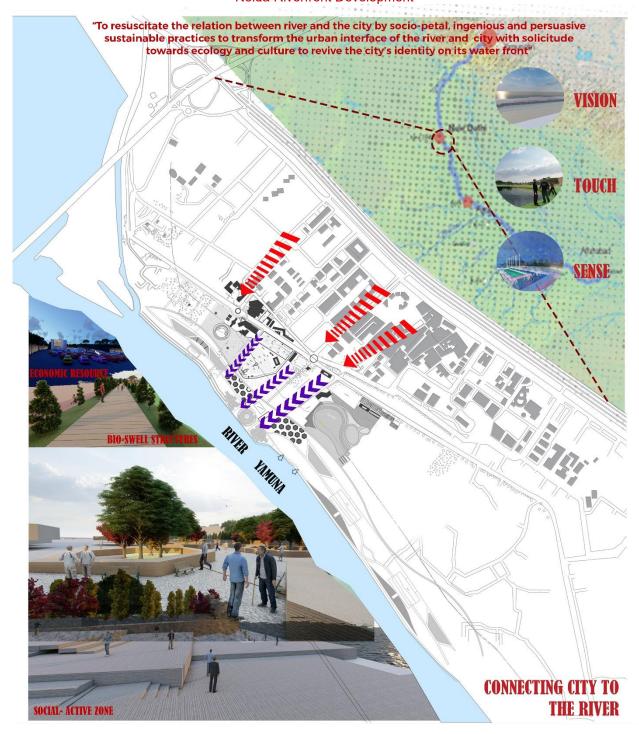


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### **Conclusion**

Looking at the rich history of the river there is a visible necessity to address the current situation. Therefore, social strengthening and intangible relationship between cities and rivers can be revitalized. Implications for revitalizing the ecological health of such urban rivers, ways of recharging ground water, promote growth of flora on the site while maintaining social value to

human settlements in a more sustainable way. Wisely get public opinion on a cleaner and more readable environment along the river in the city.

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