The emerging mega-polis

Bangalore

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Rapid urbanisation

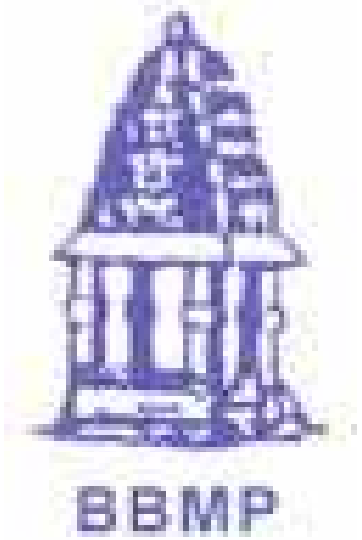
9 million already live in the city. An additional 200,000 people move into the metropolitan area each year.

Central Government

- Urban Development
- Housing
- Foreign investment
- Environment
- Transport

State Government

- Urban Development
- Transport
- Traffic Police
- Emergency
- Planning
- Utilities
- Housing (regulation, schemes)
- Public transport
- Metro (with Centre)



Municipality

- Road, footpaths, drains
- Utilities
- Building bye laws
- Point of contact for citizens

Challenges on multiple fronts

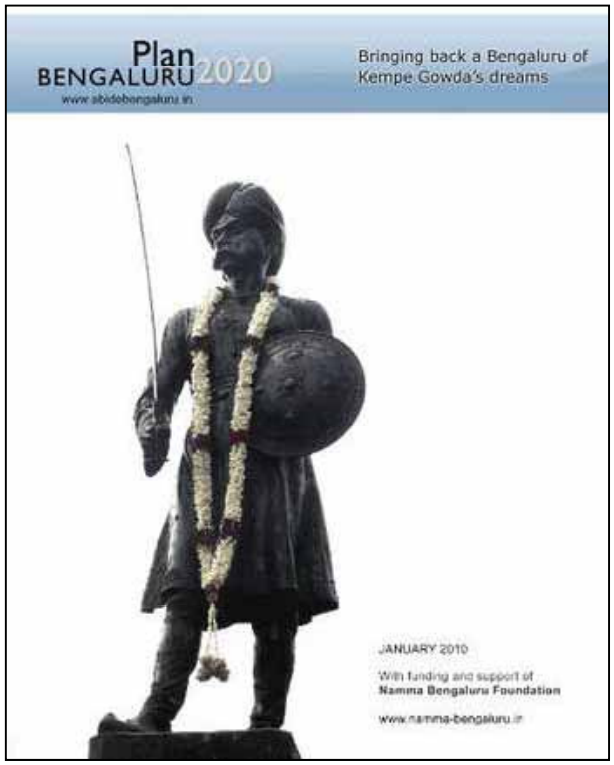
Transport, Economy, Poverty, Education, Health, Governance …

Silos even within a domain

Traffic Police, Municipality, Bus Company, Metro, Road diggers!

So, where do we begin?

The traditional approach



a **regional** view

identify **who should do what**

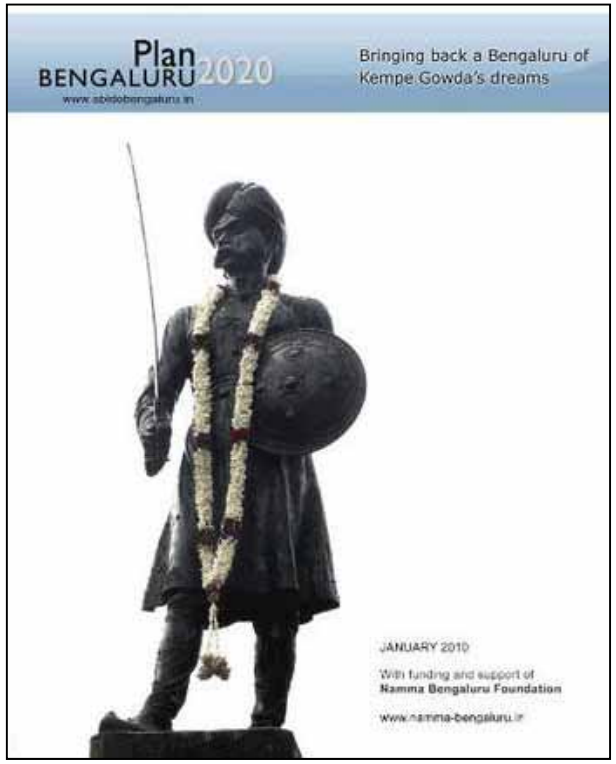
must **begin** now

must have the **force of law**

must **deliver value** to citizens

must **measure progress** regularly

Integrated planning



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New directions of thought

The future of the city-region

- 74th Constitutional Amendment Act
- Building bottom-up, from the communities
- The information technology revolution

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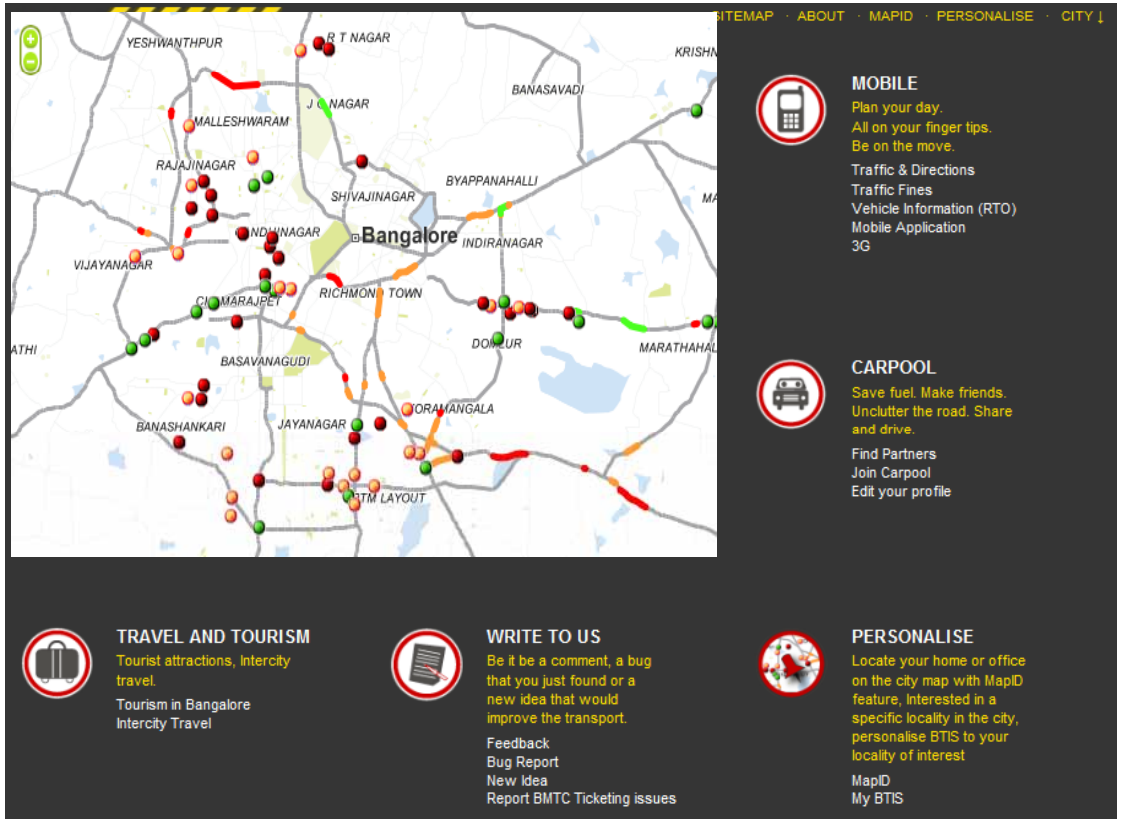
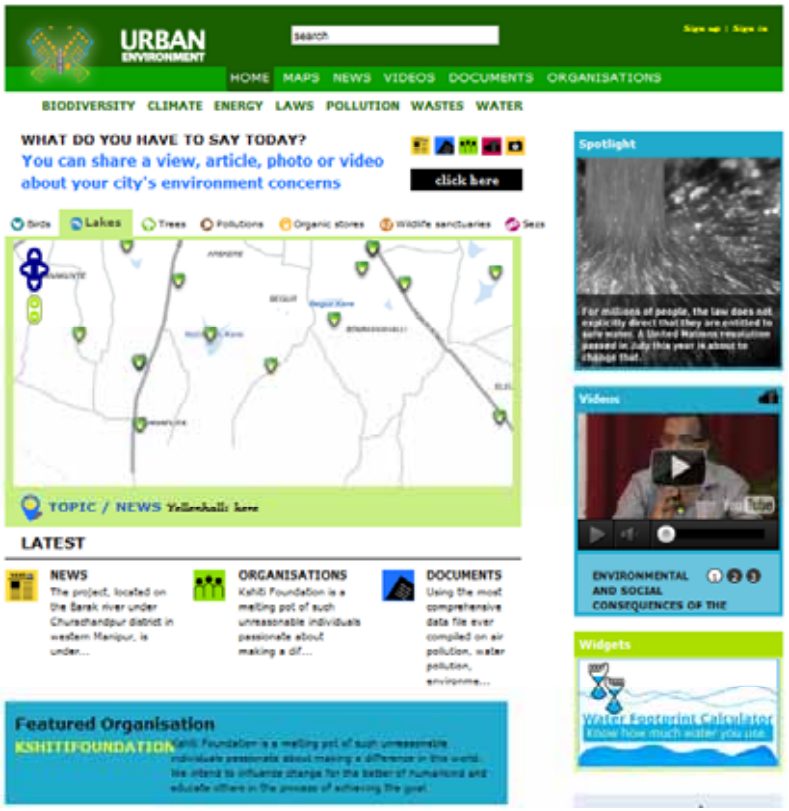
social technology at work

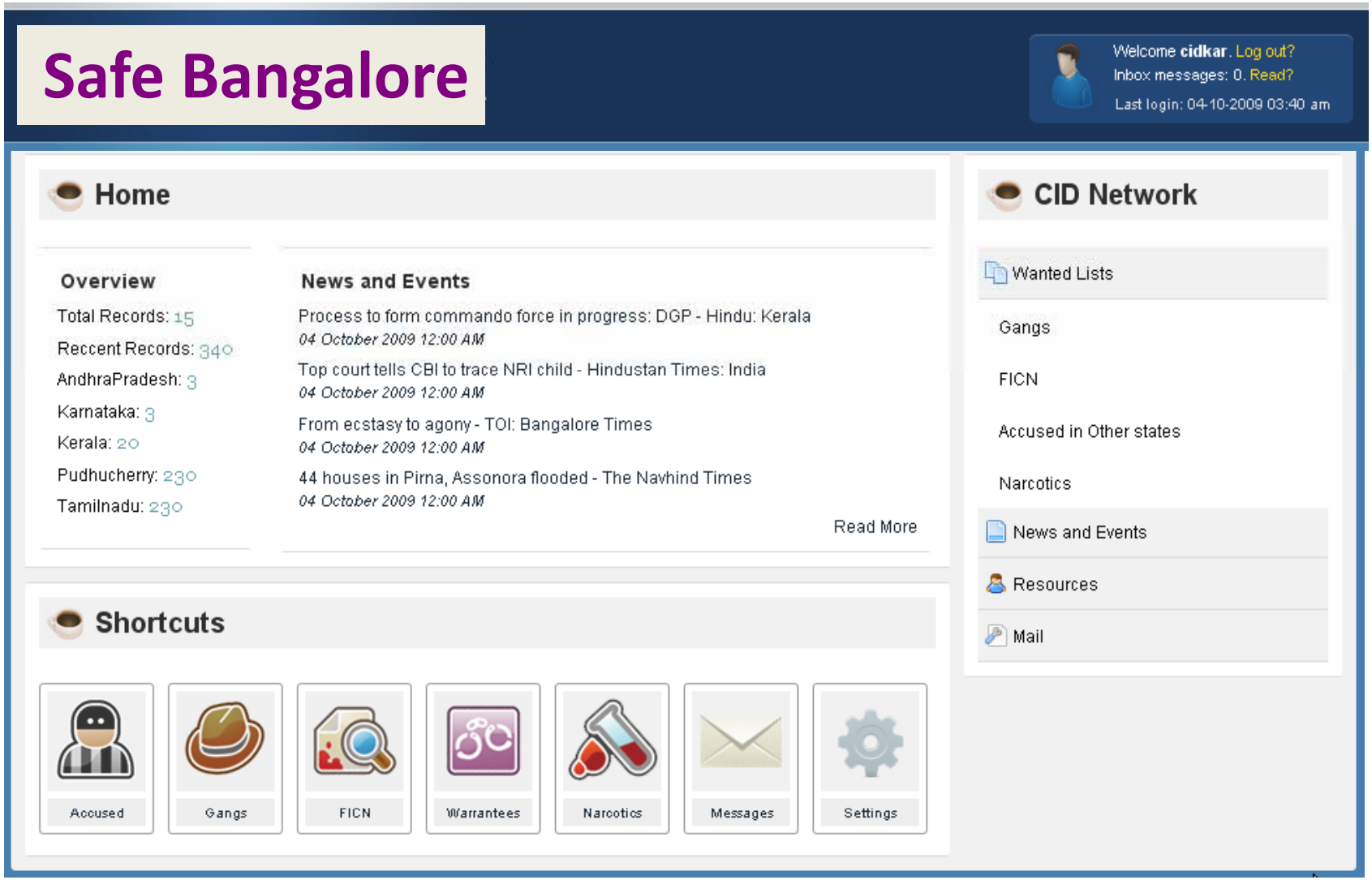
Bangalore Transport Information System



Bangalore Environment Portal



- Air Quality
- Biodiversity
- Solid Waste
- Ground Water
- Green Cover
- Energy
- Water Supply
- Water Quality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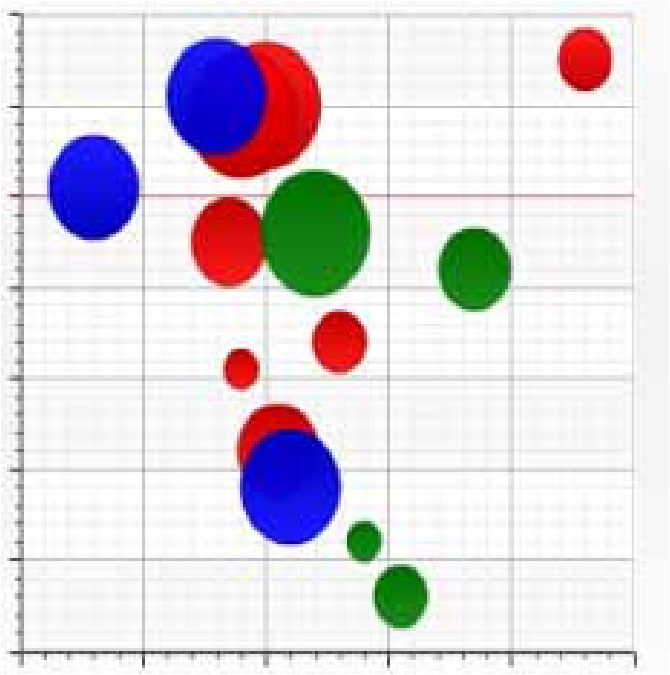
What is our city/region good at?



Aerospace

Information Technology

Health care

Garments

Education

Machine Tools

The publicly managed city

- A common technology backbone
- Linkages to non-technology interventions
- Creating the commons
- Government BY the people

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New power tariff rates

The regulator for the power sector in the State, the Karnataka Electricity Regulatory Authority has increased the power tariff in the service area of the Bangalore Electricity Supply Company and the other distribution companies in the State with effect from...

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ISSUES

New Issue

- Low frequency from Silk Board to Hebbal
  02 Nov, 2011
- Bus timings on 286-F bus route
  02 Nov, 2011
- Traffic nuisance due to illegal parking on Madiwala road near ayyappa temple
  01 Nov, 2011
- Need a traffic signal on Nandidurg Road
  31 Oct, 2011
- Vayu vaira services (luggage charges)

FORMS

Application for Water Connection and Sanitary Connection
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in BBMP

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in BBMP

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On the horizon …

- Social networks
- Mobile version
- Public idea generation
- Local commerce directories
- Media integration
- Simulation platform
- Constituency management toolkit

Legislation - The Bangalore

Metropolitan Region Governance Bill (Draft)

Objectives

(a) Enable **statutory planning by a single authority**, including both elected representatives and experts from different domains.

(b) Infuse **broader executive authority in the office of the Mayor** of the city, and the Presidents of towns in the Bangalore metropolitan region.

(c) Create a mechanism for **deeper participation by citizens in the governance** of the city, through ward committees in each ward.

(d) improve **systems of procurement and contracting** by city agencies so that they are more accountable, and resource-efficient. Also strengthen leadership in municipal administration.

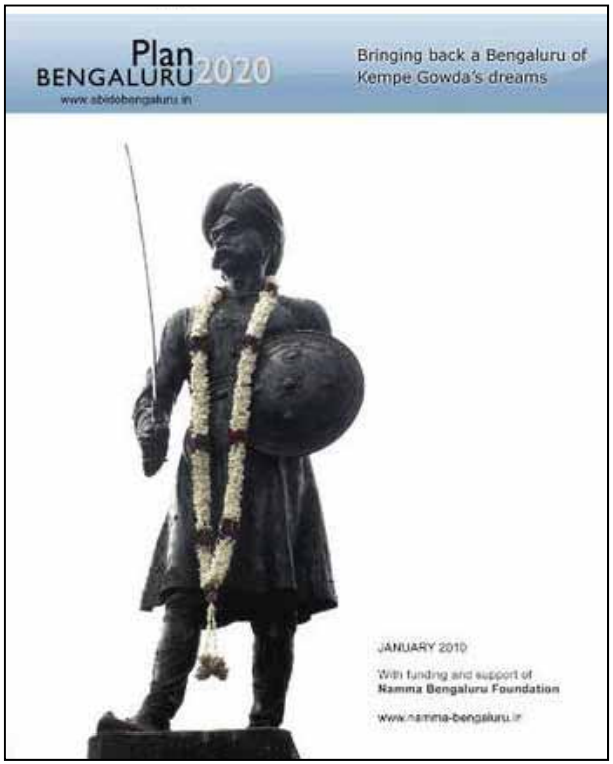
Highlights - Planning

(a) A **Metropolitan Planning Committee** will be responsible for developing regional development and spatial plan, across domains.

(b) Two-thirds of the members of the MPC will be from elected members of BBMP, other municipal bodies in the region, and the village panchayats. The other members will be domain experts, and state-level elected representatives.

(c) BMRDA will be the Secretariat of the MPC, and the Commissioner, BMRDA will be its Member, Secretary.

(d) The **planning powers of para-statal agencies (BDA, BMTC BWSSB, and others) will be eliminated**; instead they will be responsible for 'execution' of development plans.



Areas of planning

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Elections and Governance

(a) Mayors and Presidents will have longer tenure, and will have to prove their majority in the city councils.

(b) Mayors, assisted by a city cabinet including councillors as well as others, will have stronger executive control over public service delivery agencies in their jurisdiction. Water supply will be brought within the purview of the BBMP.

(c) The Chief Commissioner will be chosen by a selection committee based on open competition. He shall be assisted by Zonal Commissioners in each zone of BBMP.

(d) The municipality shall publish annually a complete list of assets under its ownership and management, including those given on rent/lease to private parties.

(e) Public infrastructure works shall be bundled into ward-level or larger contracts, to fix clear accountability. Each contract shall also include a maintenance provision for the fixed period.

Citizen Participation

(a) **Every ward will have a Ward Committee**, with the councillor as the chairman, and also include other members from among the office-holders of RWAs in the ward.

(b) The Ward Committee shall be responsible for overseeing the development of the ward, through a consultative process. The Committee shall also provide inputs for the ward budget.

(c) There will also be **Neighbourhood-level representation in the Ward Committee**, to ensure the there is geographically distributed representation of members in the committee.