POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN URBAN ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT AND LAW

JULY 2024-2025

COURSE PROSPECTUS

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Application form is enclosed towards the end of the prospectus
Introduction

World Wide Fund for Nature - India (WWF-India)

WWF-India is one of the largest conservation organisations engaged in wildlife and nature conservation in the country. Established as a Charitable Trust on November 27, 1969, it has an experience of over four decades in the field. From a modest beginning, the organisation has been propelled forward by the efforts of its founders and associates who volunteered their time and energy to lend momentum to the conservation movement.

Today, it is recognized as a premier international conservation non-governmental organisation in the country dealing with nature conservation, environmental protection and development-related issues. At a time when the Web of Life has come under increasing threats, WWF-India's attempts have been to find and implement solutions so that human beings can live in harmony with nature, and leave for future generations a world rich in natural resources and natural wonders.

To suit India's specific ecological and socio-cultural situation, WWF-India articulated its mission in 1987 as follows:

"The promotion of nature conservation and environmental protection as the foundation for sustainable and equitable development."

Centre for Environmental Law (CEL)

The Centre for Environmental Law (CEL) was established in 1993 as an integral part of WWF-India. Apart from handling and furthering WWF-India's conservation work involving policy analysis, campaigning and legal interventions on environmental issues, CEL serves as a resource centre for teaching environmental law and research in national, regional and international contexts. To implement its programmes CEL is building functional and professional linkages with government agencies and non-governmental organizations at national and global levels.

One of the principle educational activities of CEL since 1993 has been the Diploma Programme in Environmental Law that has been running for over two decades now. More than fifteen hundred participants have benefited from the Diploma in Environmental Law Certificate issued by WWF India.

To widen the scope and reach of the Course, since September 2013, WWF has partnered with National Law University, Delhi to offer one year Post Graduate Diploma in Environmental Law and Policy.
National Law University, Delhi (NLUD)

National Law University, Delhi is a premier Law University established in 2008 by the Delhi Government at the initiative of Delhi High Court. It has state of the art infrastructure and facilities for learning and research. The vision of NLUD is to make legal education an instrument of social, political and economic change. It is committed to transform students into lawyers who are professionally competent, technically sound and socially aware.

NLUD has been offering a five year Integrated B.A. LL. B (Hon.) Programme since 2008 and LL.M and Ph. D programmes since 2011. It offered its first Diploma programme on Judging and Court Management in 2010 with the objective of training and skill building of the young legal professionals in the art and craft of judging and court management.

The University also offers several other innovative and specialized diploma programmes only in online mode. These include Patent Law, Competition Law and Policy, Real Estate Law, Labour Rights, Women Studies and Vocational Diploma for Paralegals.

Post Graduate Diploma in Urban Environment Management and Law (PGDUEML)

Programme Description

The Post Graduate Diploma in Urban Environment Management and Law (PGDUEML) is a specialized course that focuses on strengthening the delivery capacity of urban administrators and environment professionals. PGDUEML is designed to provide in-depth knowledge and understanding of existing urban laws, by-laws and policies. The course seeks to equip its participants to tackle the loopholes in the present institutional mechanisms for managing urban matters, to propose innovative changes as are necessary in existing laws to find convergence with urban environmental management practices; as well as to effectively implement existing urban laws/policies by blending them with fast changing needs and expectations of a dynamic urban society. Moving forward, it is going to be increasingly tougher to look at urban planning and the environment in isolation; local legislations like building bye-laws are already moving towards incorporating environmental clearances and conditions within them and it is likely that these lines will be further blurred in the future.

Keeping these developments in mind, the course is intended towards the training and capacity building of all those persons concerned with and involved in improving living conditions and quality of life for urban citizens in various capacities by providing them with policy prescriptions, innovations for better urban governance, information and training inputs. It aims to strengthen the human resource pool by creating efficient urban managers.
Programme Objectives

The objective of the programme is to:
- Provide background knowledge as well as practical tools for addressing crucial urban problems at both policy and implementation level.
- Enable the participants to propose changes as are necessary in laws to find convergence with urban environmental management practices.
- Present and discuss urban management in the broader perspective of environmental governance and sustainable development issues.
- Train the urban professionals to optimally utilize financial and technical resources or materials ensuring good governance locally, regionally and nationally.

Target Group

The programme would be useful for personnel of local/state level urban development authorities, urban planners/managers, local level policymakers, professionals from ministries, private sector employees, the academia and civil society organisations. The PG Diploma program provides the participants a platform to explore the key aspects of urban management and would provide them with exposure to the best practices in urban governance, particularly in light of environmental conservation.

Eligibility

Graduation in any stream. Work experience, although not necessary, but of a minimum of two years in the relevant field is desirable. Admission will be granted strictly on merit and at the discretion of a selection panel. In some cases, the Applicant may be required to appear for a telephonic interview.

Duration and Pedagogy

- ‘Post Graduate Diploma in Urban Environmental Management and Law’ is a one-year programme which is divided into two semesters.
- The diploma is offered in English as the only medium of instruction.
- There are no online or physical classes conducted in the PGD course.
- All other aspects such as course content, timelines, course curriculum, examinations and discussion forum will be conducted in the online mode.
- Webinars and online discussion will be organised during course duration.

Mode of study

- Mode of instruction will be ONLINE only.
- For undertaking online mode study, participants need internet access.
- All course requirements like assignments, discussion forum and exam papers will be posted online.
- Participants will be provided with soft copy study/reading material.

**Syllabus and Detailed Structure:**

PGDUEML comprises of 32 Credits or 500 Marks. It consists of 5 courses - 4 theory courses and 1 project work. Courses I and IV will of 6 credits each. Courses II and III will be 8 credits each. The Practical training course shall carry 4 credits. **All courses are compulsory.**

### Course Curriculum:

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| COURSE II: ENVIRONMENTAL LAWS AND POLICIES PERTAINING TO URBANISATION | 8 Credits / 100 Marks |
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| Unit 4: Introduction to Environmental Law                           |                       |
| Unit 5: International Environmental Law and Policies                |                       |
| Unit 6: National Environment (Pollution) Laws in Urban Context      |                       |
| Unit 7: National Environment (Conservation) Laws in Urban Context   |                       |
| Unit 8: Disaster Management and Adaptation                          |                       |
| Unit 9: Climate Change and Urban Policy                             |                       |
| Unit 10: Judiciary on Environment and Urban Development             |                       |

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COURSE IV: GLOBAL AND NATIONAL INNOVATIVE PRACTICES
6 Credits / 100 Marks

Unit 17: Urban Biodiversity and Rewilding
Unit 18: Urban Heat Island
Unit 19: Infrastructure Networks
Unit 20: Water Management
Unit 21: Waste Management
Unit 22: Urban Mobility
Unit 23: Energy
Unit 24: Urban Finance (Green Finance)

COURSE V – PRACTICAL TRAINING
4 Credits / 100 Marks

- Synopsis (20 Marks)
- Final Project Report (80 Marks)

Evaluation System

Participants shall be evaluated through a continuous evaluation process. Every participant must submit a total of four assignments, one for each theory Course. Course V will have two components – Synopsis and the final project report.

Assignments – The main purpose of assignments is to test participant’s comprehension of the study material provided and general interpretation of concepts keeping in view the current scenarios. Participants shall be given one assignment each for all the theory courses (Course I to IV). The assignments will be assessed on 50% scale. Submission of all four assignments is compulsory.

Project Work – The Project Work component includes submission of both the Synopsis and a Final Project Report. The Project Work (Course V) carries 4 credits or 100 marks; out of which synopsis would carry 20% weightage and project report will carry 80% weightage. Submission of both Synopsis and Final Project Report is mandatory for completion of Diploma.

Term End Examination – There will be an ‘online term end examination’ towards the end of academic year, the exams will be designed in the manner so as to enable the participants to take the same from their respective locations. Term End Examination will be assessed for 50%.
Discussion Forum - A discussion forum completely managed and moderated by Course organizers will be launched to discuss some of the course topics, current updates on urban management issues. Contribution in the forum is mandatory, and it is suggested that participants actively engage in the same, to enhance their knowledge on discussed topics.

Final Marking -
Course I to IV - 50% for Term End Examination 50% for Assignments
Course V - 80% for Project Report and 20% for Synopsis

Admission Process and Fee details

Interested applicants are requested to submit soft copies of the duly filled Admission Form (Annexure 1) along with their curriculum vitae, copies of certificates of qualification (Graduation Degree or final semester marksheets) and statement of purpose.

The application will not be accepted without the submission of the documents which are listed above within the stipulated date.

1) Application form is enclosed towards the end of the prospectus. Please refer to Annexure-1.

2) The applicant must email us the application form along with the documents at the below email id: submissionscel@wwfindia.net

3) In an extraordinary circumstance, if somebody is located in remote area and is unable to send an email, then the applicant may send the hard copy of the application along with the documents to the following address:

The Course Coordinator
Centre for Environmental Law
WWF-INDIA
172-B, Lodi Estate
New Delhi – 110 003
Ph: 011-4150 4771

• The applicants may note that they should first try to submit the application form only through the online mode.

Fee payable for the PGDU EML program is Indian Rupees Sixteen Thousand Only (Rs.16,000). Fee is to be paid via 'Online Transfer' (Bank details shall be provided to the applicants via email). NOTE: International applicants should write an email to us requesting bank details
for wire transfer as well as fees involved. If an applicant is unable to pay via 'Online Transfer', the applicant may issue a Demand Draft drawn in favor of 'World Wide Fund for Nature – India' payable at New Delhi (Candidates name and phone number to be appended behind Demand Draft).

Special note for applicants residing outside India: at the time of transfer of fees, kindly verify the exchange rate as on the day of transfer, as well as any additional charges or levies that may be applicable on this transfer. Kindly ensure that the full fee amount is credited to WWF-INDIA after clearing all additional dues that such a transfer may attract.

Please note that, if the participant is not selected either through merit or after facing interview panel, the fee paid along with application form will be refunded with immediate effect. However, after the offer of admission is made to the participant (i.e., the participant is either selected on merit or by interview panel) the fee will not be refunded.

- Last date for submission of application is 5th June 2024.
- Fees for PGDUEML is Rs. 16,000 (Rupees Sixteen Thousand Only).
- FEES WILL ONLY BE ACCEPTED ONCE ADMISSION HAS BEEN CONFIRMED.
- Please DO NOT send in fees along with the application form.
- After the offer of admission is made to the participant (i.e., the participant is selected), the applicant may proceed to pay the fees via ‘Online Transfer’ to confirm admission.
- If an applicant is unable to pay via 'Online Transfer', the applicant may issue a Demand Draft drawn in favor of ‘World Wide Fund for Nature – India’ payable at New Delhi (Candidates name and phone number to be appended behind Demand Draft)
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Please go through the FAQs provided on the website. For any additional clarifications on prospectus and filling of application form, please contact Mr. Sandeep Sharma, Course Data Manager, CEL at submissionscel@wwfindia.net or call on 09868185605 between 1100 hrs to 1700 hrs on weekdays.
APPLICATION FOR PGD IN URBAN ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT AND LAW (PGDUEML)
JULY 2024-2025

1. Name of the Student (In Capital Letters. Kindly fill in your name exactly as you would like it to appear on your certificate):
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2. Parent/Guardian/Spouse’s Name: _________________________________
________________________________________________________________________

3. Complete Address: ______________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________
State: ________________Pin Code:____________________________
Telephone: ________________Mobile: ____________________
Email Id: ______________________________

4. Fee details will be provided once admission has been confirmed. Do not pay the fees now in any form.

5. Educational Qualification: (Attach photocopies of the recent mark sheet and provisional certificate)

6. Date of Birth: ____/____/____ (DD/MM/Year) 7. Gender: Male _______ Female ________

8. Nationality: Indian _________ Others ______ if other, please specify: ___________________

I hereby declare that I have read and understood the conditions of eligibility for the programme for which I seek admission. I fulfill the minimum eligibility criteria and I have provided necessary information in this regard. In the event of any information being found incorrect or misleading, my candidature will be cancelled by WWF-India at any time and I shall not be entitled to refund of any fee paid by me to WWF-India.

Date: _____________________________

Signature of Applicant
Checklist:

- Statement of Purpose.
- Fee amount of Rs.16,000 paid in chosen mode of payment DD/ Online Transfer.
- Certificates in support of your recent Educational Qualification(s). Include photocopies of your recent academic accomplishments.
- Completed Application Form. Kindly note that it is compulsory to fill in your name EXACTLY as you would like it to appear on your certificate. Please double check your form before submission as spelling changes will not be entertained at a later date.
- Curriculum Vitae.