

# UN-Habitat

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**In news -** UN-Habitat has identified multi-hazard vulnerabilities, urban sprawl, weak urban mobility and “green-blue disconnect” as the pressing issues for Jaipur city of Rajasthan.

## **About UN-Habitat-**

- The **United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat)** is the [United Nations](#) programme for [human settlements](#) and [sustainable urban development](#).
- It was established in 1978 as an outcome of the first United Nations Conference on Human Settlements and Sustainable Urban Development (Habitat I) held in Vancouver, Canada, in 1976.
- It has its headquarters at the [United Nations Office at Nairobi, Kenya](#).
- It is mandated by the UNGA to promote socially and environmentally sustainable towns and cities with the goal of providing adequate shelter for all.
- It is a member of the [United Nations Development Group](#).
- The mandate of UN-Habitat derives from the Habitat Agenda, adopted by the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) in Istanbul, Turkey, in 1996.
- The twin goals of the Habitat Agenda are adequate shelter for all and the development of sustainable human settlements in an [urbanizing](#) world.

UN-Habitat works in more than 70 countries in five continents focusing on **seven areas:**

- Urban legislation, land and governance;
- [Urban planning](#) and design;
- [Urban economy](#);
- Urban basic services;

- Housing and [slum](#) upgrading;
- Risk reduction and rehabilitation;
- Urban research and [capacity development](#).

The United Nations has designated the **first Monday of October every year as World Habitat Day.**