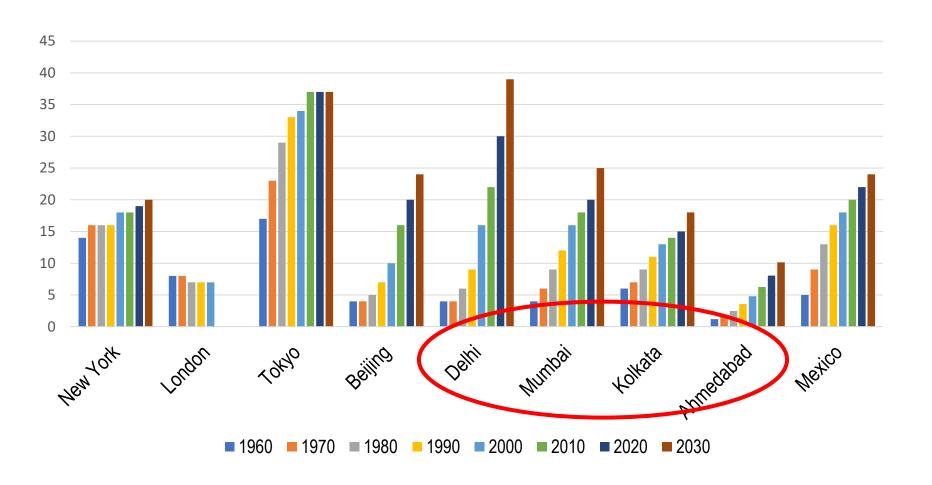


through inclusion – a holistic approach

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INDIAN CITIES ARE GROWING RAPIDLY



Source - World Urbanization Prospects 2018 - UN DESA



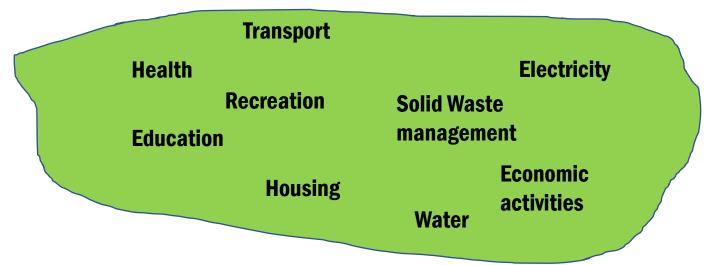
India has 18% of the World's population but only 2.5% of the World's land mass

Urban areas occupy only a miniscule portion of this land and yet produce nearly 70% of our GDP

How effectively we use this small land resource will have a major impact on our development

Smart mapping and its visualization is critical for ensuring optimum use of scarce land resources

A city is a space – not a sector

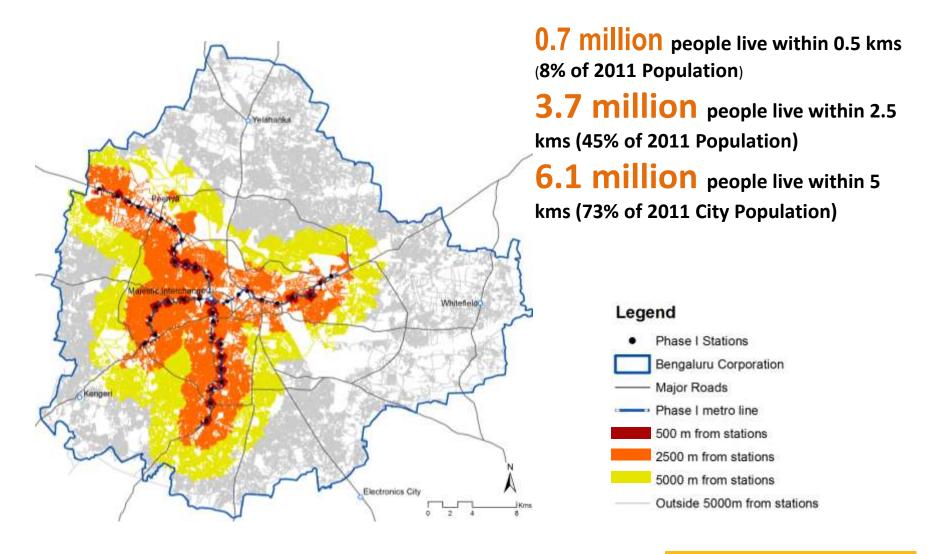


- Multiple sectors need to fit into this space, in an integrated manner
- This needs supporting tools
- GeoSmart mapping and visualization is the most effective among them

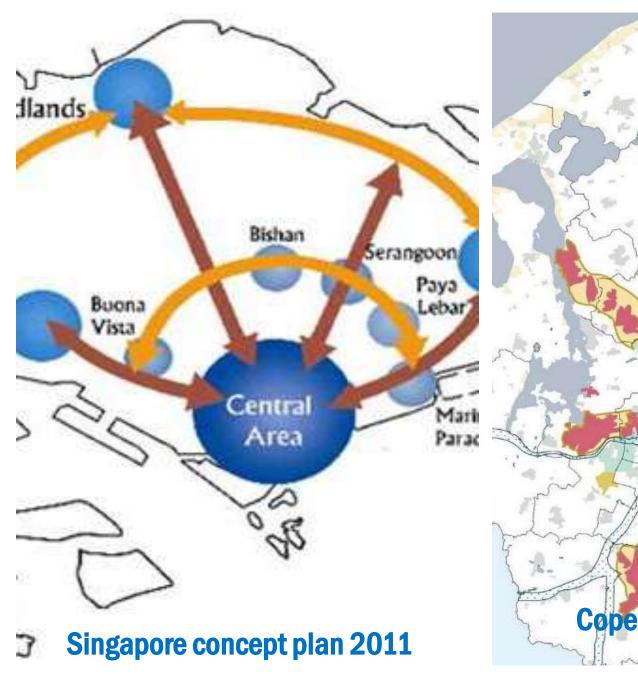


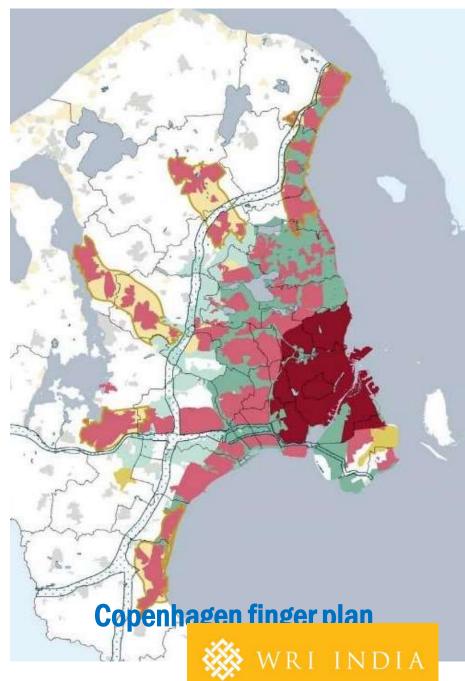
Example of Land Use and Transport Integration

Bangalore Metro: Captive population









There are several such applications

- Protecting ground water resources
- Locating schools and health centers
- Locating garbage dumps and toilets
- Designing bus routes

Literally thousands of possibilities



GeoSmart mapping can help improve coordination in a fragmented governance system

A big challenge

Need for a much wider understanding of its potential outside the GeoSmart community

User agencies must embrace it and not feel threatened

It needs to be de-mystified

Thank you