

Internship Opportunity with Chennai Metropolitan Development Authority (CMDA)

An excellent opportunity for urban action research in Chennai

CMDA invites applications for an internship program from budding planners/ architects/ economists/sociologists/engineers and related disciplines to test their theories and actively participate in research and fieldwork in realistic urban settings in Chennai. It will expose students/professionals to the complex functioning and governance of Chennai Metropolis and help them acquire critical skills and learnings.

Further, the City of Chennai is at a crucial stage of its urban planning history— the third master plan (2027–2046) of the city, funded by the World Bank, is currently being prepared.

Interns to the program can either choose from the following themes as their area of focus or work on other areas of relevance to CMDA:

Spatial Planning (third masterplan [TMP]/ urban agglomerations/ brownfield redevelopment/ urban regeneration/ informal settlements/ spatial, economic, environmental and land-use planning/ development regulations)

Urban Economics, Mobility, Real-Estate (land pooling and land value capture mechanisms/ application of urban economics to FAR/FSI/ densification and market forces/ Transfer of Development Rights/ TOD/ City Mobility plan)

Urban Design Projects (urban markets/ ring roads/ mass rapid transit systems/ public spaces/ multi-modal transport hubs, etc)

Climate, Environment and Resilience (extreme weather events/ flood mitigation, coastal area planning/ river-based planning/ water bodies rejuvenation/ green building/impact of the pandemic)

The CMDA library, which houses the following extensive collection of resources, will be accessible to the selected interns:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1waLJTeQncVi_pi9XWY2JpIQAZqR4e1bN/view?usp=sharing

There are two categories for internship applications:

A. Current Graduate and Post-graduate students

S. No	Qualification of interns	Stipend per month (INR)
1.	Graduates of all disciplines relevant to CMDA	8,000/-
2.	Post-graduates of all disciplines relevant to CMDA	10,000/-

B. Recent Graduates and Post-graduates who have completed their degree

Graduates and post-graduates who have completed their course within a period of 1 year of having passed the final exam as on the date of applying for internship will be eligible for internship.

S. No	Qualification of interns	Stipend per month (INR)
1.	Graduates Planning/ Architecture or Similar Post Graduates in Planning /Urban Design/ Civil Engineering or Similar*	15,000/-
2.	Graduates in Civil Engineering or Similar Post Graduates in Sociology/ Economics or Similar*	12,000/-
3.	Graduates in Sociology/ Economics/ Social Work or Similar*	10,000/-

***The List of Similar Courses is mentioned in the table below**

S.no	Courses	Category
1	Urban Design, M. Arch or Similar	Architecture
2	Urban Management or Similar	Planning
3	Urban Infrastructure, Geoinformatics, Construction Engineering Management, Structural Engineering or Similar	Civil Engineering
4	Public Administration, Public Policy, Humanities and Social Sciences or Similar	Social Work
5	MBA, Masters in Real Estate, Masters in Financial Engineering or Similar	Economics

Applicants from category A can intern for a period of 2 months and for category B for a period of 6 months at CMDA. If the internship period is lesser than 2 months, the applicant is not eligible for a stipend.

Interested candidates are requested to fill out the below application form along with a CV, Statement of Purpose, their topic of interest to work with CMDA, and Research Question. Applications will be scrutinised through a selection committee for the award of the internship.

The **last date for submission** of Application is **31.03.2024, 11.59P.M.**

Application form can be downloaded from: <https://forms.gle/j3X1jN5cs4MExrq5A>

For any queries and clarifications, please contact internships.cmda@gmail.com

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