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# CITIZENSHIP, URBAN GOVERNANCE AND INEQUALITY

FINDINGS FROM 14 INDIAN CITIES

## INTRODUCTION

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This panel will present and discuss the results of the Citizenship, Urban Governance and Inequality (CIUG) project. Based on a comparative study of 14 Indian cities (including Chennai) and survey results from 31,803 households, the project examines the quality and coverage of basic services and how urban Indian citizens use their civil, political, and social rights in cities. Focus will be on patterns of urban inequality and segregation.

**ALL ARE WELCOME!**

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