The City Water Forum (CWF) is a two-layered forum set up under AIWASI CDP to develop a feedback loop for pursuing city-wide actions for long-term water security and resilience in Delhi. Its first layer aims to enable collaborative governance at community level while driving implementation of AIWASI CDP. The second layer will facilitate collaborative governance at city level (including participatory decision-making processes and joint accountability mechanisms), capacity development and knowledge sharing. CWF plays a critical role in mainstreaming the overarching ‘Water Sensitive City’ principles, promoting knowledge and providing agenda-setting leadership for the Delhi water community.

**CITY WATER FORUM**

*With the vision to achieve a water secure and resilient city, this dedicated, formal multi-stakeholder platform will inform, drive and synergise the larger ‘Water Sensitive City’ principles in Delhi NCT*

**Layer 1**

**Project-centric platform**

**COMMUNITY WATER FORUM**

To facilitate planning and implementation of pilot Water Sensitive Urban Design (WSUD) demonstration projects for two identified disadvantaged communities in Delhi, along with creating collaborative and community-driven governance. Key members here will be Community Action Groups (CAG), local government bodies, ward level elected representatives and youth.

This layer will cease to exist after the completion of the project.

**Layer 2**

**City-wide platform**

**DELHI WATER FORUM**

To drive ideate, plan, and synergize efforts in transforming Delhi towards a water sensitive city. It will serve as a strategic think-tank to inform and support Delhi’s water agenda. The members of the platform comprise of diverse stakeholders (state and non-state actors) such as government agencies, citizen groups, academics, practitioners, and social influencers.

This layer will continue to operate even after the completion of the project.

**COMMUNITY WATER FORUM**

- Good Practices
- Institutional Mechanisms
- What works/does not work
- Evidence Base
- Overall Experience

**DELHI WATER FORUM**
Serve as an **INSTITUTION** for ensuring overall implementation of AIWASI CDP

Serve as a **PLATFORM** for working with disadvantaged communities

Serve as the **INTERFACE** between the communities & various elements of the project

Serve as a **MEDIATOR** to secure buy-in from the stakeholders

Serve as a **MATCHMAKER** to facilitate an ecosystem for non-state actors to get involved

Serve as an **INFLUENCER** to mainstream Water Sensitive City principles

Serve as a **CATALYST** to introduce new & innovative water security measures

Serve as a **KNOWLEDGE REPOSITORY** for water-based information on Delhi

Serve as a **STRATEGIC** think-tank for a Water Sensitive Delhi

**COMMUNITY WATER FORUM**

**AIWASI CDP PROJECT**

**LAYERS**

**Layer 1**

- **Role of Community Water Forum**
  - Inclusive Community Engagement
  - Project Design
  - Project Implementation

- **Support for project implementation**
- **Local wisdom for project design**
- **Facilitate official formalities**
- **Provide input for community sensitization on key issues**

**Layer 2**

- **Role of Delhi Water Forum (DWF)**
  - **Matching formalities**
  - **Local wisdom for project design**
  - **Input for M&E & project sustainability**

- **Serve as the INTERFACE between the communities & various elements of the project**

- **Serve as the MEDIATOR to secure buy-in from the stakeholders**

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