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यह एक स्वतंत्र परियोजना है, जो सरकार की आधिकारिक करियर-मार्गदर्शन सामग्री पर आधारित है। • An independent project based on the Government's official career-guidance content.

1 About this career

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2 At a glance

Stream	Science (Maths)
Core degree	B.Plan / M.Plan
Key exams	JEE Main, NATA, GATE
Starting pay	₹3.5–5 LPA

3 What you need

INTERESTS

- Curiosity about cities and communities
- Environment and sustainability
- Maps, space and design

ABILITIES

- Spatial and analytical thinking
- Interpreting data and trends
- Problem-solving ability

KEY SKILLS

- GIS and mapping software
- Land use and master planning
- Policy and urban law knowledge
- AutoCAD and drafting
- Transport planning
- Public consultation and presentation

4 How to get there

- 1 After Class 12 with Maths, join a 4-year B.Plan degree.
- 2 Enter B.Arch/B.Plan via JEE Main (Paper 2) or NATA.
- 3 Or do a 2-year M.Plan after B.Arch or Civil Engineering.
- 4 For M.Plan, appear for GATE (Architecture & Planning).
- 5 ITPI membership adds professional recognition.
- 6 Internships and civic-body experience strengthen your career.

MAIN EXAMS

- JEE Main Paper 2 (B.Plan)
- NATA (Architecture/Planning)
- GATE – Architecture & Planning (M.Plan)
- CEPT and SPA entrance tests

5 Where to study

GOVERNMENT INSTITUTES

- MNIT Jaipur (Dept. of Architecture & Planning) — Jaipur, Rajasthan (https://mnit.ac.in/dept_arch/)
- School of Planning and Architecture (SPA) Delhi — New Delhi (<https://spa.ac.in/>)
- SPA Bhopal — Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh
- SPA Vijayawada — Vijayawada, Andhra Pradesh

PRIVATE INSTITUTES

- CEPT University — Ahmedabad, Gujarat (<https://cept.ac.in/>)
- Sushant University (School of Art & Architecture) — Gurugram, Haryana

ONLINE

- IGNOU (PG Diploma in Urban Planning & Development) — Distance / Online (<https://www.ignou.ac.in/>)

FEES

B.Plan/M.Plan at government institutes (SPA, MNIT) costs roughly ₹1–2.5 lakh total; private colleges range ₹6–12 lakh.

SCHOLARSHIPS

- Central Sector Scheme Scholarship (Ministry of Education) (<https://scholarships.gov.in/>)
- Rajasthan Mukhyamantri Uchch Shiksha Scholarship (<https://hte.rajasthan.gov.in/>)
- AICTE Pragati Scholarship for Girls (<https://www.aicte-india.org/schemes/students-development-schemes>)

6 What the work is like

WHERE YOU WORK

Municipal bodies, development authorities (JDA), UDH, Smart City offices and private urban consultancies.

WORK CULTURE

A mix of office planning and field visits for surveys; steady coordination with teams and the public.

WHO HIRES

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|--|---|
| • Town Planning Dept., Government of Rajasthan | • Jaipur Development Authority (JDA) |
| • Smart City Mission projects | • Private consultancies (HCP, IPE Global) |
| • Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs | • International agencies (World Bank, UN) |

DEMAND (2026)

Rapid urbanisation and missions like Smart Cities and AMRUT are steadily raising demand for planners.

7 Career growth

- 1 Junior/Assistant Town Planner
- 2 Town Planner
- 3 Senior Town Planner
- 4 Chief Town Planner / Director

EARNINGS

Starting	₹3.5-5 लाख/वर्ष
Mid level	₹6-12 लाख/वर्ष
Senior level	₹15-30 लाख/वर्ष

Government town planners get pay-commission scales and stability; private consultancy and Smart City roles can pay more.

8 The good parts · The challenges

The good parts

- Directly shape better, livable cities
- Both government and private opportunities
- Meaningful work linked to society and environment

The challenges

- Government projects can be slow and bureaucratic
- Field visits and long project timelines
- Balancing competing public interests is hard

9 Real-life journeys

Swati Ramanathan

Urban planner and co-founder of Janaagraha

A trained urban planner, Swati Ramanathan co-founded Janaagraha to improve how Indian cities are governed and to bring citizens into urban decision-making.

Forbes India · <https://www.forbesindia.com/article/philanthropy-awards-2013/swati-ramesh-ramanathan-making-your-cities-work/36667/1>

Smruti Jukur Johari

Urban planner and community-planning advocate

Smruti Jukur Johari is an urban planner working to make the urban poor part of city planning; her TED talk spotlighted inclusive, community-led design.

TED · https://www.ted.com/talks/smruti_jukur_johari_what_if_the_poor_were_part_of_city_planning

Bimal Patel**Architect-planner and President of CEPT University**

Bimal Patel is an architect-planner who led major urban projects like the Sabarmati Riverfront and Central Vista, and was awarded the Padma Shri.

Wikipedia · [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bimal_Patel_\(architect\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bimal_Patel_(architect))

10 Sources & further reading

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2. MNIT Jaipur planning dept. — https://mnit.ac.in/dept_arch/
3. Institute of Town Planners India (ITPI) — <https://www.itpi.org.in/pages/membership>
4. Rajasthan Town Planning Dept. — <https://urban.rajasthan.gov.in/content/raj/udh/ctp/en/home.html>

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