

Citizens for Safe Mobility

'Citizens for Safe Mobility' is a short-term fellowship programme for interested citizens to meaningfully engage with issues of gender inclusivity in urban planning and mobility. Fellows will examine whether our everyday public transport services and transit points are safe and gender inclusive.

The fellowship is spearheaded by Gender and Policy Lab of the Greater Chennai Corporation. The Delhi-based social enterprise Safetipin (specialises in conducting social audits) along with their Chennai based partner non-profit organisation Prajnya (works in the domain of policy research on gender) will be the technical and on-ground implementation partners respectively. The Fellowship will consist of three components: Training, Audit and Presentation.

Objective:

- To engage and train citizens on urban issues through a gender lens.
- To open up the work of public institutions like Greater Chennai Corporation for citizen involvement and reinforce their connection to the community and the city.
- To enrich the existing data on the accessibility and efficacy of city amenities and infrastructure from the point of view of marginalised end-users.

Role Description:

- The focus of the fellowship would be public safety in transit points and public spaces.
- The selected fellows will be trained to carry out an app-based audit of the safety and accessibility of public transport infrastructures such as suburban railway stations, bus stops, foot over bridges, subways and access roads. The fellows will be required to do this exercise in designated routes and areas.
- The fellows will be involved in collating data and maintaining field reports.
- The fellows will be involved in detailed debrief with the different stakeholders and government officials.

Application and Fellowship Timeline:

- Applications open: February 3 to February 20, 2023
- Applications screening and interview: Completed by February 24, 2023
- Fellowship period: 10 continuous working days between February 27 to March 24, 2023

Remuneration: Each selected fellow who successfully complete the entire fellowship will be awarded

- Certificate;
- INR 3000 as honorarium to cover incidental expenses they may incur.

Eligibility and Time Commitment:

- Anyone above 18 years of age.
- Can read and write English; knowledge of basic spoken Tamil.
- Should have access to smartphones and be comfortable in learning applications.
- Should be able to commit 10 days (weekdays) over 2 weeks between the last week of February and the last week of March for training, site visits, conducting audits and presentation of findings.
- Should be open to travelling extensively in Chennai and working until 9 pm on site visit days.

Application Requirement:

1. An updated CV.	As an attachment
2. Short statement of purpose - Why do you want to apply for the fellowship? (maximum of 150 words)	Body of the email
3. Details of an academic or professional referee and relationship to the individual.	Body of the email

Applications can be submitted in English or Tamil to citizensforsafemobility@gmail.com by February 20, 2023. Incomplete applications will be not be accepted. Only shortlisted applicants will be contacted for interview.

Fellowship Process (Total of 10 Working Days):

1. Training: 2 Days

- First Day: Orientation of fellowship with Gender and Policy Lab and Prajnya. Safety audit app training by Safetipin.
- Second Day: Division of locations between fellows, clarification of queries, and using the mobile application in the training location.

2. Field Recce: 1 Day

- Recce of the first field location to get familiar with the nature of work.
- Debrief to understand the experience.

3. Safety Audit: 5 Days

- Peak and non-peak hour safety audit of the final locations allotted to each team of 2 individuals.

4. Reflection and Debrief on Findings with Gender and Policy Lab, Prajnya and Safetipin: 1 Day

- In-person debrief of all field findings by fellows with Gender and Policy Lab, Prajnya and Safetipin.

5. Presentation of Findings with Officials: 1 Day

- Final day event to share findings with decision-makers and officials.