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## Webinar Series-Lecture 09

# Operationalizing community-led housing practice in cities of the global south

### Abstract

In developing countries, cities experience rapid urbanisation with increasing informality resulting in the urban poor having to live in slums and shanties subject to eviction. Abating the issue, current participatory planning and collaborative actions are becoming popular. The major challenge in contemporary pro-poor housing practices is to explore the best practices of community participation. This has been well-discussed consequent to the withdrawal of government intervention in housing and heavy reliance on the housing market. This lecture will explore different forms of community participation to identify the options introduced in community-led housing programmes in Bangkok and Mumbai for the urban poor.

*Being a researcher and academic based in a developing country and educated in the United Kingdom, Prof. Dr. Md. Ashiq Ur Rahman would like to describe himself as a professional who is able to blend international practices and local contexts. He is a faculty member of Urban and Rural Planning Discipline of Khulna University, Bangladesh. He was awarded a Commonwealth Scholarship, James Watt Fellowship, Swedish Institute Fellowship, TIB Fellowship for Innovative Research on Corruption and Governance and Georg Forster Research Fellowship by Alexander von Humboldt Foundation. His field of research interest and career motivation lies in pro-poor development initiatives. He believes that individuals have their own capabilities and combining those capabilities towards democratic development is essential. The focus of his career is to contribute in research-policy continuum, highlighting the synergy of community based organizations for pro-poor development. In the recent past, he worked as Guest Professor & Research Fellow of the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation at the Department of International Urbanism of Institute of Urban Planning and Design, University of Stuttgart, Germany. Apart from his academic career, he is interested in working with different development partners to empower marginalized communities.*

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