

## **Topical Discussion 2:**

### **Heritage Preservation & Revitalisation**

#### *Questions for Discussion*

1. What should be the objective criteria for designating an old urban area/building for preservation and revitalisation? How should we identify intangible heritage and assess their need for preservation?
2. What should be the roles and responsibilities of the government, URA and property owners with respect to heritage preservation and revitalisation of old districts?

For example:

- What tools should the government make use of to advance heritage preservation and revitalization?
  - Should URA's preservation targets be limited to heritage buildings within its development project areas or should URA take up a more pro-active preservation role?
  - What should be the role of owners of heritage buildings? How can they be encouraged to take up a more active role in preservation?
3. Is gentrification an inevitable result of preservation and revitalisation efforts?