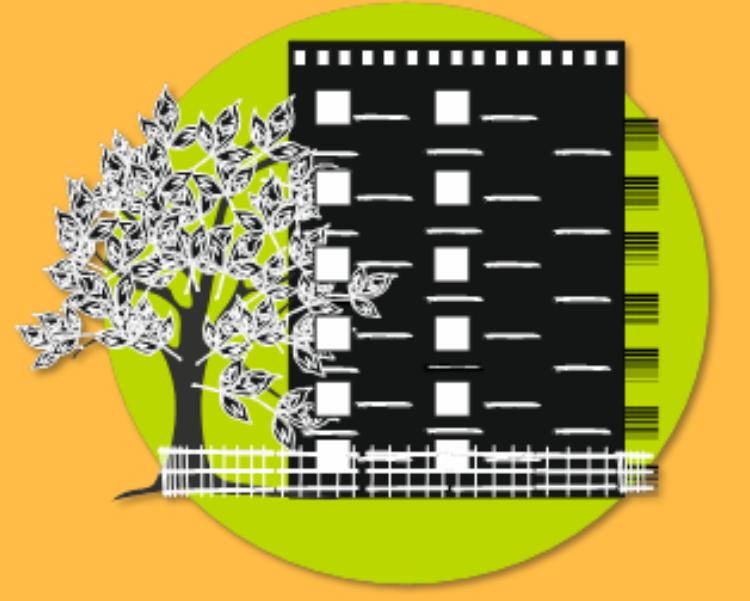




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# Thermal Comfort Performance based Design Standard for Affordable Housing in India

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Techniques

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& Strategy Formulation,  
Micro Finance, Urban  
Renewal



# Context and background

Outlines the guiding principles and conceptual approach towards standard development.

# Context



**India is rapidly urbanizing.**

- Urban population will nearly double by 2051 to 880 Million



**So is the demand for affordable housing.**

- Nearly 90% of affordable housing demand is unmet.



**Inadequate housing increases vulnerability to climate change**

- about a quarter of India's urban population—live in informal settlements, vulnerable to climate risks

**Affordable, low-carbon, climate-resilient housing is critical to improving quality of life and supporting economic development in cities around the world.**

**Source:**

[1. Affordable And Quality Housing Is Still A Dream For Many In India](#)

[2. Resilient and affordable housing for all: Lessons on house building from Kochi and Trivandrum, India, Coalition for Urban Transitions](#)

# Program Overview



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- I. Develop Design Standard for Affordable Housing based on Thermal Comfort Performance
2. Facilitate Design Standard in bye-laws of 6 ULBs across India

- I. Develop Design Guidelines for 5 Climatic Zones in India
2. Develop Training Modules for Dissemination

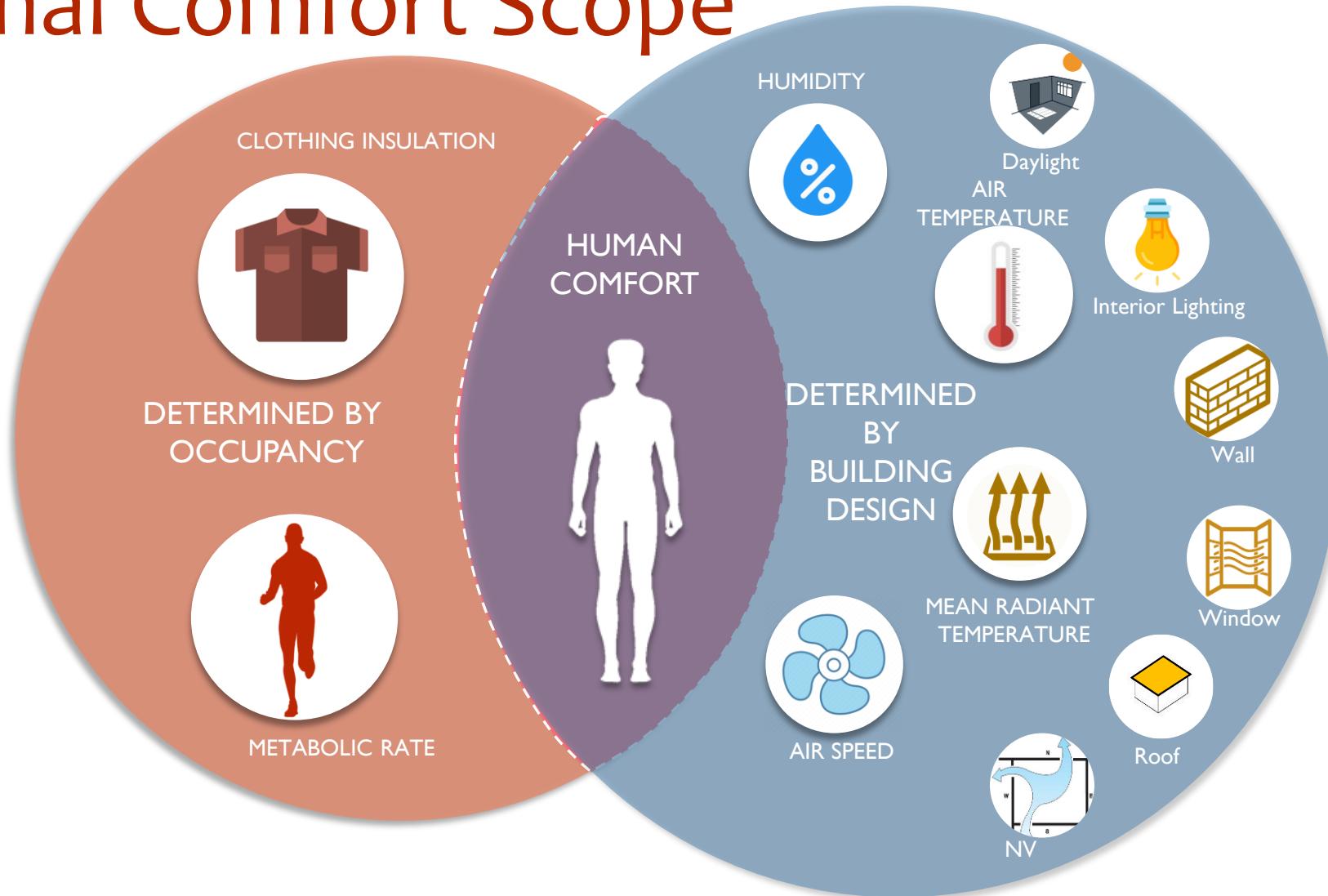
- I. Develop Thermal Comfort Action Plan for Short (upto 5 yrs), Medium (10-15 yrs) & Long (15-30 yrs) term.
2. Design Financial Incentive Schemes

# Workshop Objective

Review and feedback on:

1. Approach for Development of Design Standard for Thermally Comfortable Affordable Housing
2. Affordable Housing Characteristics
  - Affordable Housing Typologies
  - Affordable Housing Material Characteristics
3. Thermal Comfort Standards and Indices

# Thermal Comfort Scope





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APPROACH & METHODOLOGY FOR STANDARD  
DEVELOPMENT



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# Development Approach

Outlines the guiding principles and conceptual approach towards standard development.

# Guiding principles for developing standard

- 1) Target **enhancing thermal comfort by 50 % (over existing performance)**
- 2) Employ **passive design** strategies to enhance comfort (i.e. without mechanical conditioning systems)
- 3) Through standard promote use of,
  - **local building materials** (also low in embodied energy),
  - **low or 'No' cost strategies** to enhance comfort, and,
  - **expeditious construction** techniques/technologies

# Approach to standard development

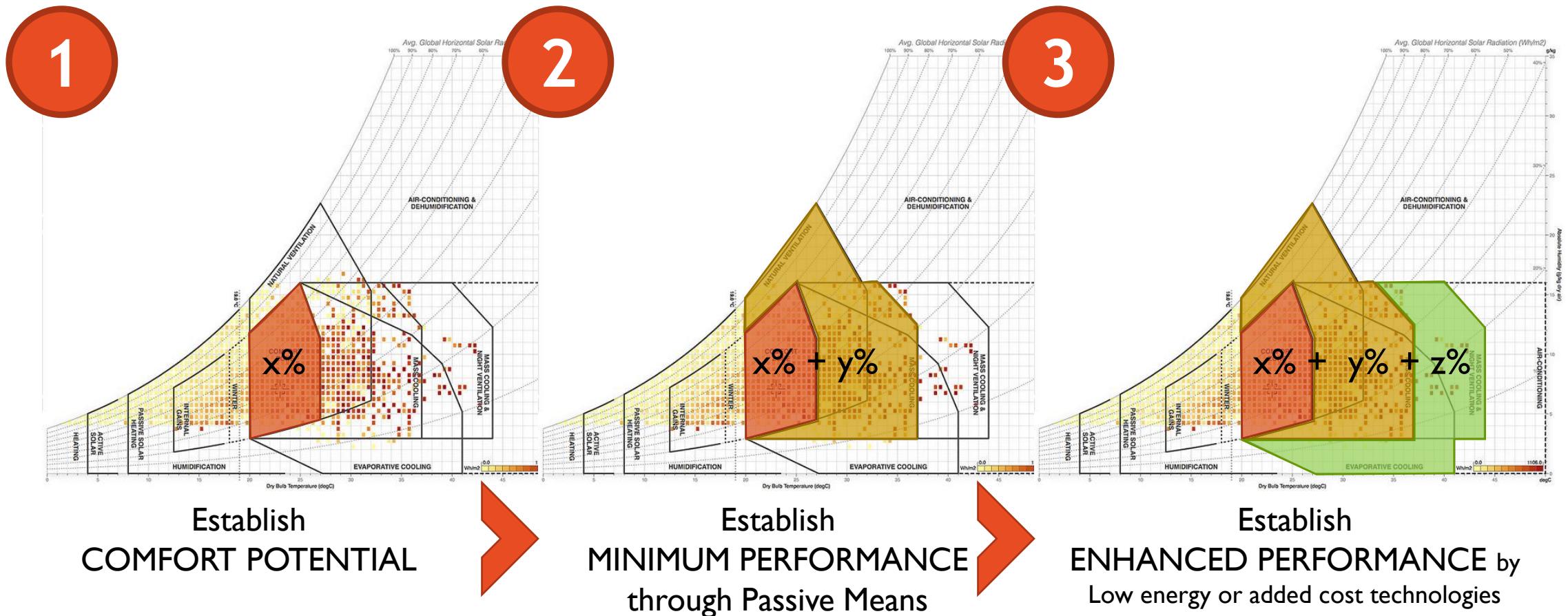


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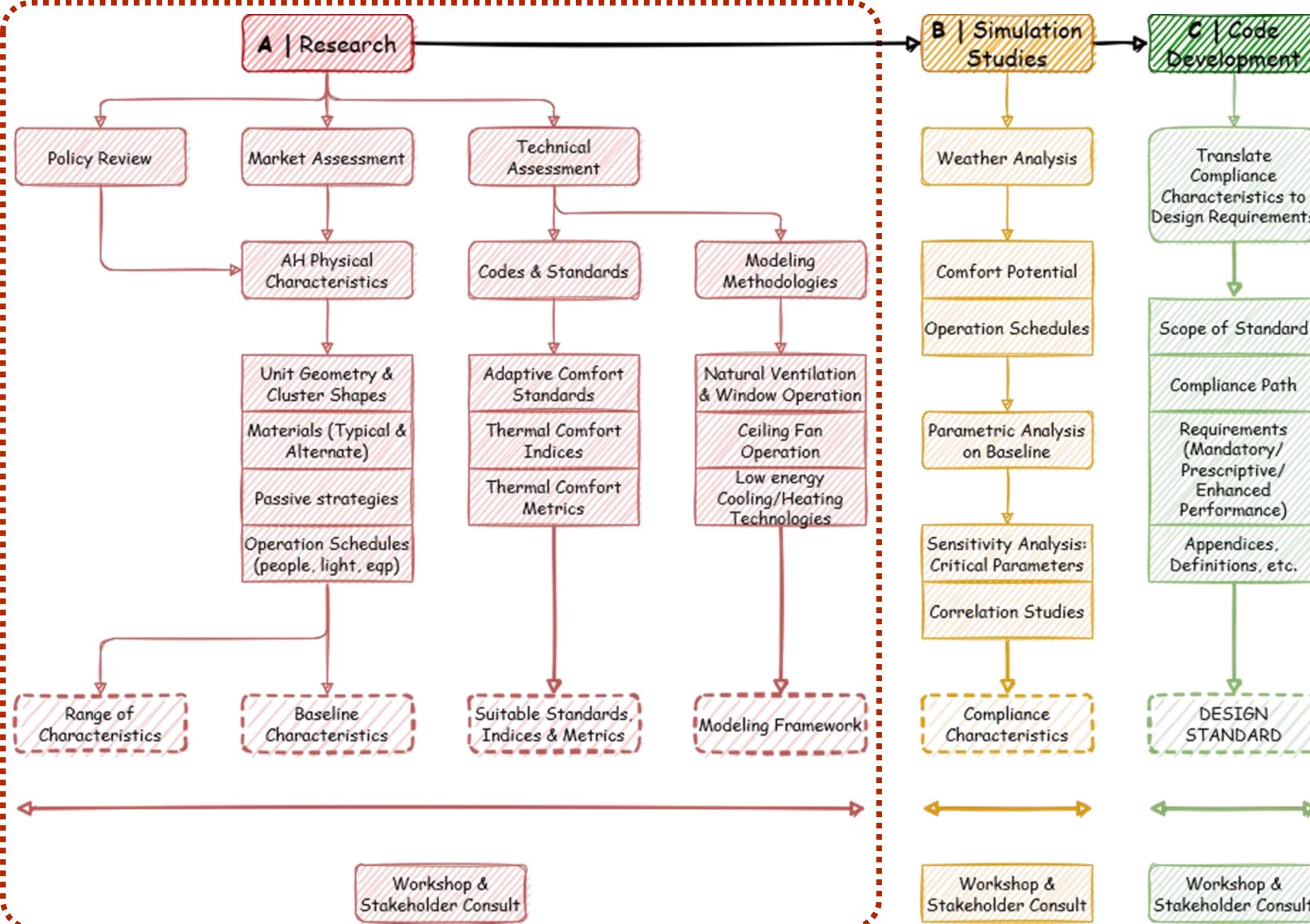


# Development Methodology

Outline key steps/tasks in developing standard.

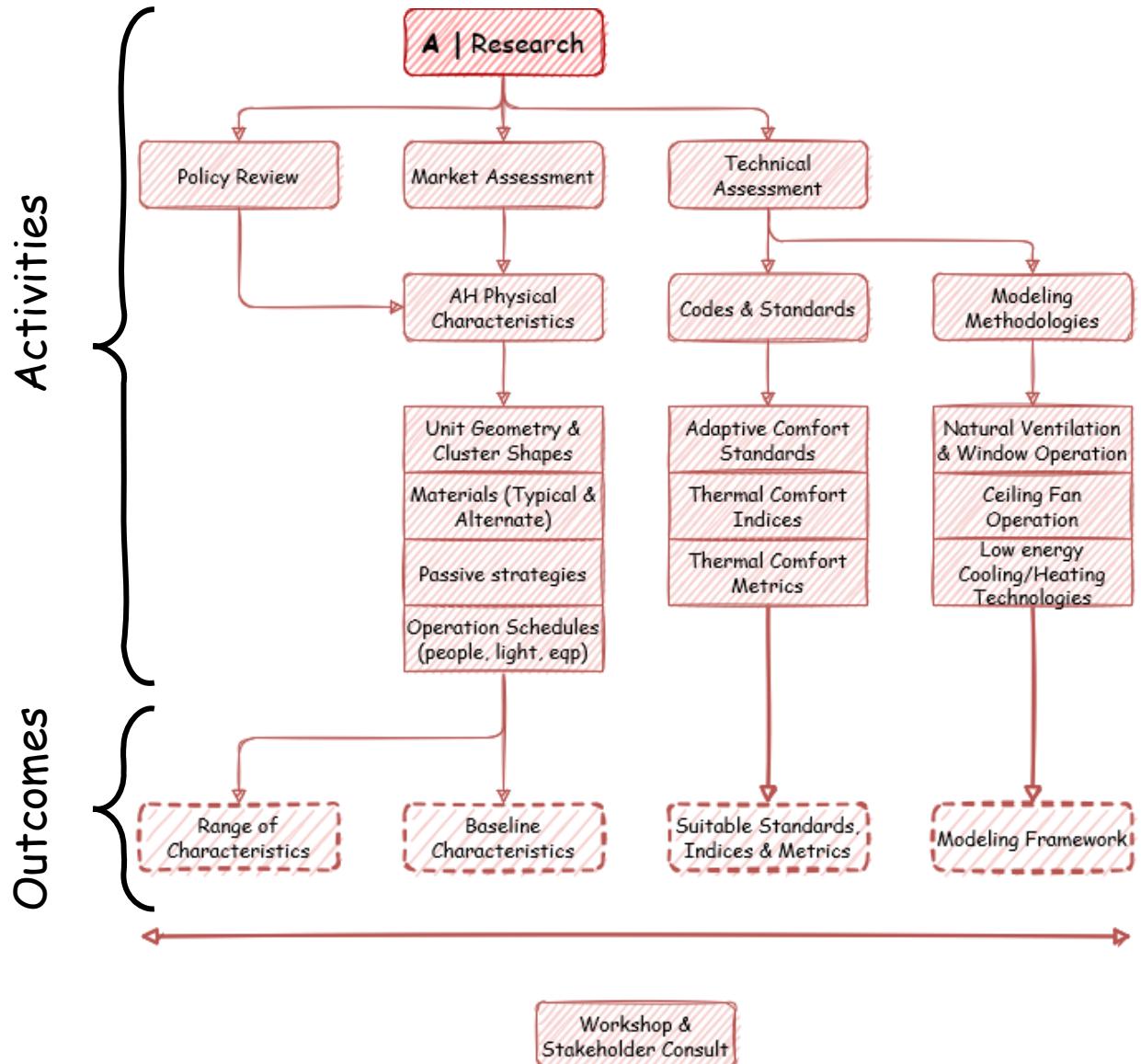
## Activities

## Outcomes



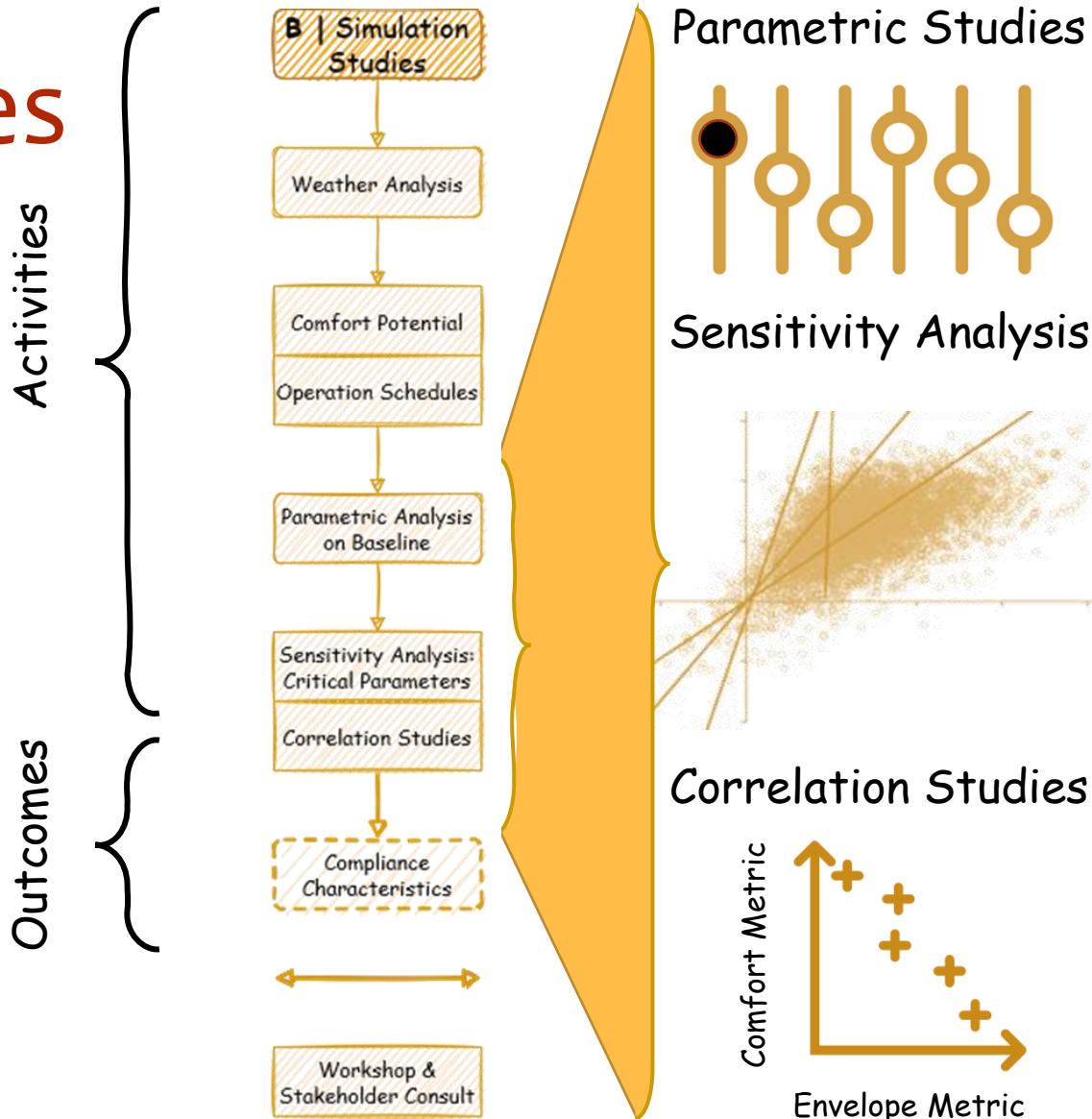
# A| Research

1. Review policies to outline affordable housing typologies and their attributes (area, family characteristics, etc.)
2. Conduct market analysis through data in public domain (journals, industry & technical reports, project information – pvt. & govt., case studies) to outline:
  1. typical building characteristics,
  2. range of attributes
  3. exemplary building practices
3. Review technical documents (codes, standards, peer reviewed journals, technical reports, etc.) to outline suitable:
  1. adaptive comfort models
  2. thermal comfort indices & metrics
  3. energy modeling best practices



# B| Simulation Studies

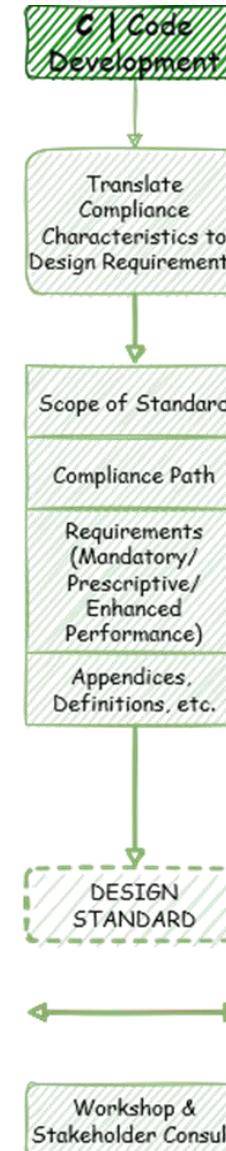
1. Weather analysis to
  1. realize comfort potential for climate zone
  2. outline natural ventilation and window operation potential
2. Parametric studies to identify
  - I. Sensitivity and Correlation of building parameters to comfort performance
3. Establish minimum and enhanced performance characteristics



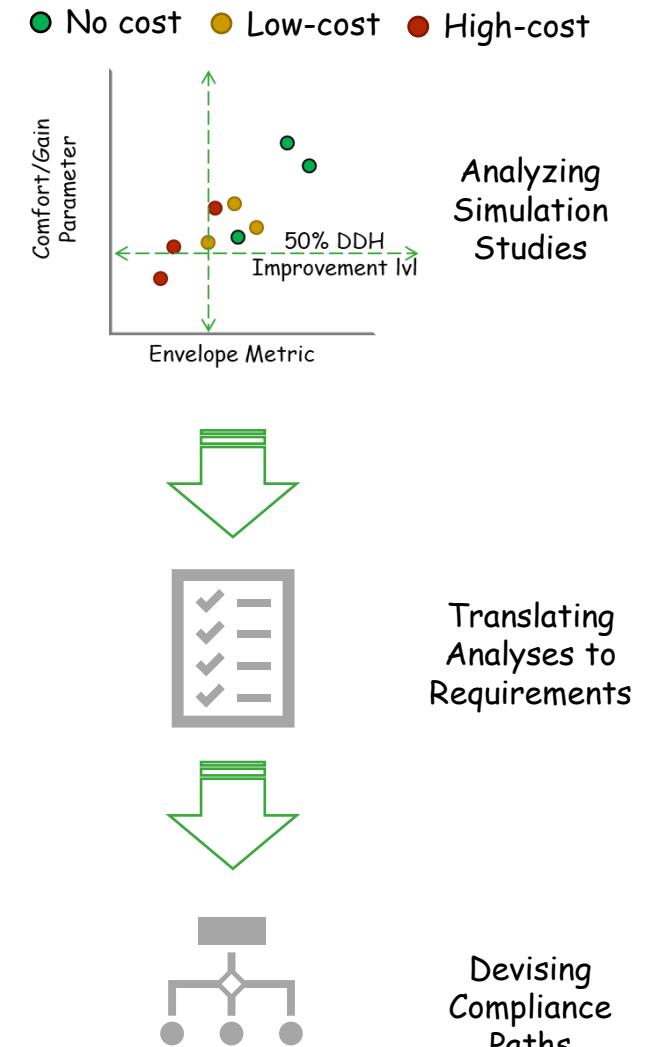
# C | Code Development

1. Translate performance characteristics to Design features
2. Frame prescriptive Requirements
3. Devise compliance paths and adapt requirements for Mandatory/Prescriptive/ Enhanced Performance
4. Compile Design Standard

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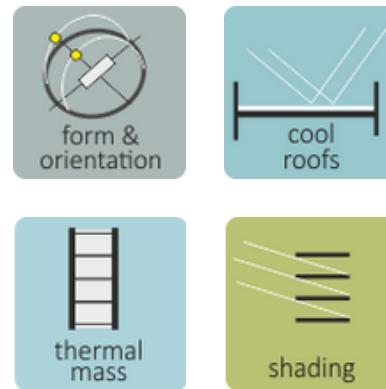
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# Expected Outcomes



A Standard based on  
**Adaptive Comfort**  
Models

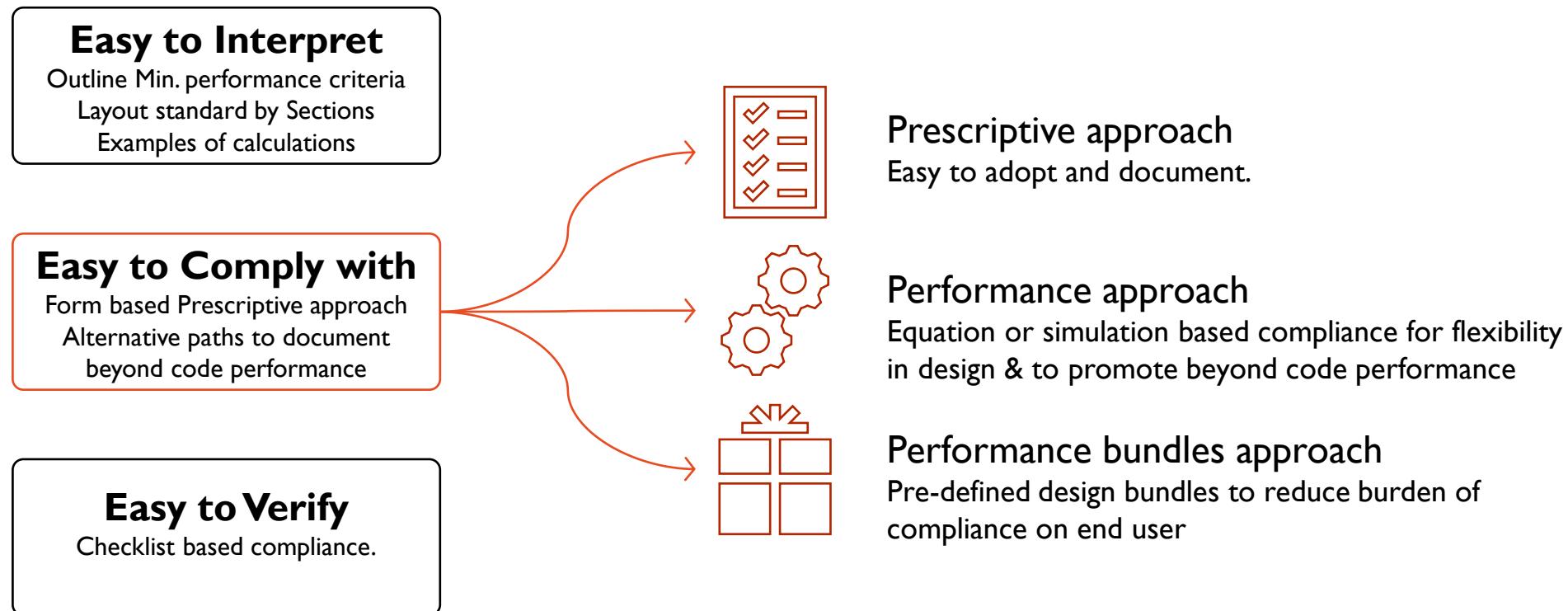


A Standard focused on  
**Envelope Measures &**  
**Passive Design**



A Standard that establishes  
**Minimum & Enhanced**  
**Performance Criteria**

# Ease of Compliance – key to uptake & adoption





# Thank You!