# Thimphu Structure Plan

Employment

Royal Commission for Urban Development and IAC









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## "Equal access to job opportunities"

Thimphu's employment distribution strategy aims to rebalance the relationship between population and access to jobs, by promoting new employments in locations corresponding to existing residential areas and new population growth. The strategy aims to address the existing unequal access to job opportunities, including also high levels of youth unemployment, as well as low participation rates for women and low wage rates.



*Thimphu economic development strategy | Source: TSP* 

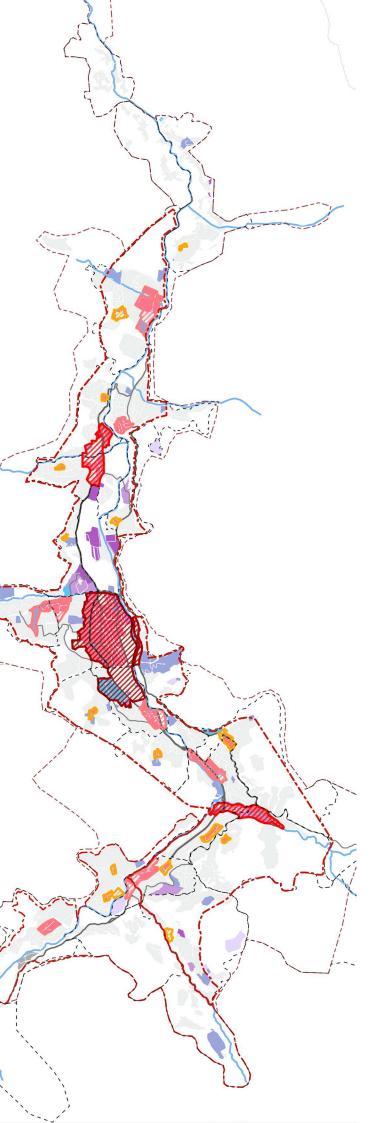
Key proposals

The Employment Distribution key proposals focus on a **regenerative** and **distributive** development principles. In summary the Urban Structure proposals seek to:

- 1. Support Buddhist teaching in Dotanang;
- Promote third sector tourism and high value organic agriculture in Kabesa, Begana and Changtagang;
- Improve existing hospitality facilities and diversify products and offerings across Thimphu;
- 4. Strengthen Thimphu City Core as a **knowledge capital** focussed on environmental and financial services, as well as a national centre for government, professional services technology and IT.
- 5. Strengthen tourism, retail, culture and leisure offer in Thimphu City Core.
- 6. Create mixed-use centres clustering workspaces, retail, restaurants, cafés, community facilities and small scale distribution and light manufacturing in Northern sub-district

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## Key topic: Employment distribution

Employment Distribution kev The proposals include spatial distribution of Thimphu's projected job growth based on the roles and functions of centres and major employment areas. The scale of employment growth will be proportional with the scale of housing growth and distribution, and will be aligned with the centres hierarchy and population catchments.

