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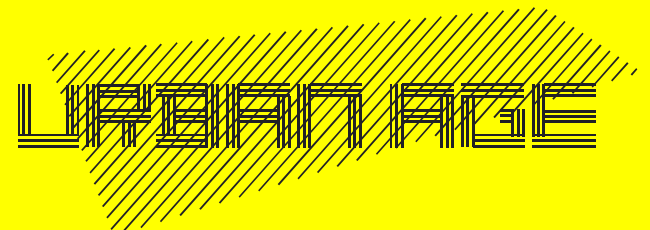
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How Cities are Planned

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HOW CITIES ARE PLANNED

URBAN INDIA

Key Challenges

47% 'Planning'

growth overtakes planning, outdated plans and laws, weak enforcement, implementation deficit, insufficient planning skills, shortage of professional planners, land use and transport synchronisation, inflation of plans and strategy documents, master plan hypocrisy, inability to address informal developments

12%

'Inequality'

income disparities, affordability of services, urban poor

32%

'Governance'

lack of ownership, coordination gaps, non-accountability, conflicting assignments, inflation of agencies, central vs. local agencies, conflicting executive and political power, struggle for inclusive visions

12%

'Environment'

fresh water, pollution, climate change, waste

24%

'Infrastructure'

stress on power and water infrastructure, drainage and sewage system

41%

'Transport'

lack of street space, flyovers and ring roads bias, political neglect of walking, public transport overcrowding, low service quality, inefficient bus operations, under-utilized suburban rail, car growth choking the city

18%

'Migration'

continuous growth of urban populations, city size, unchecked population flows, floating population

18%

'Housing'

substandard housing, housing shortage, affordable housing

PAGE OF CHANGE

So often, it is the growth, which overtakes all our planning.

Former Commissioner, Bangalore Mahanagara Palike

Development always has caught us unawares. Tackle the problem when it arises or push it down the road for the next man to handle. Advanced planning and a proactive system of urban growth doesn't exist.

Editor, Deccan Herald

If you have a 15 year interval for the city development plan [consider that] 15 years back India didn't have IT industry at all!

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CITY SHAPING- MASTERPLANNING

The big question is that is Master Planning a good way to plan for urban growth, considering the dynamism of the city itself? That's a big question.

Principal Secretary, Government of Delhi

Earlier planning was more idealistic. We borrowed land-use zoning concepts from U.S.A and followed single-zoning practices earlier. This suppressed economic growth and self-employment potentials. Now, there is lateral point of view. There is something wrong with the law if 90% of the people are outside of it.

Commissioner, Delhi Development Authority

Maybe for populist or political reasons, the political will to enforce the plan was absent. And therefore you had a very well prepared plan only existing on the paper.

Former Commissioner, Bangalore Mahanagara Palike

INTEGRATING TRANSPORT AND CITY FORM

But there is no linkage to where actually people live, where they work and how do they get there. So the entire transport infrastructure is a couple of pages in any city development plan.

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We have just woken up to the enormity of this issue of integrated land use and transportation planning.

Principal Secretary, Department of Urban Development, Karnataka