



# URBANIZATION AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

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## Abstract

Sustainable development means that people should not just focus on economic development, people also need to pay attention to protect environment and save resources at the same time. Sustainable development focuses on longer benefit. Sustainable development means attaining a balance between environmental protection and human economic development and between the present and future needs. Urbanization is the growth of population in urban. As we can observe that the population in urban area is increasing too rapidly. Mostly people are moving to urban from rural areas to have a more comfortable life, higher salary and better educational environment. As we know that excess of everything is bad, therefore larger movement of people from rural to urban area is creating lots problem. This paper basically focuses on the problems and their solution that are arising because of urbanization

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## Introduction

**Sustainable development** basically deals with human development which focuses on the development of human by preserving our surroundings and environment so that these needs can be met not only in the present, but also for generations to come. Urbanization is considered as a hike in the population in cities and towns in comparison to rural areas. Urbanization began during the industrial revolution, when workers moved towards manufacturing hubs in cities to obtain jobs in factories as agricultural jobs became less common. This paper Urbanization and

sustainable development focuses on the various problems because of urbanization and their solutions.

There are various problems of urbanization. Urbanization is the growth of population in urban, and the problem of urbanization is the population of urban grows too rapidly and this is a big question for us all Why people want to move to urban from rural areas? As we know that all people want to have a more comfortable life, higher salary and better educational environment and better career opportunities so there are more and more



people are moving to urban to achieve their different goals.

The problem of urbanization leads to a lot of different kinds of problems. For example, there is housing problem, traffic problem and pollution problem. How to solve these problems is becoming a serious problem for all of people in the world. Today, many organizations and experts claim that sustainable development is the best way to solve these problems. There are following problems emerging because of urbanization

### **1. Traffic Problem**

As we know that populations of our country is increasing too rapidly. The population of India has crossed over 121 crore. There is also a vast increment in number of vehicle therefore Traffic problem is becoming more and more serious in urban areas.

Experts suggests that urban area should develop their public transport system. They believe that if people can take a bus or take a subway to someplace, and then this problem could be solved. But it also creates a problem for government to attract people to choose public transportation. The traffic problem also caused bad driving habit and more car accidents. It's really terrible. This kind of problem is not just belonging to India only but with the world at large. More people, more private cars and more traffic problems. All of them also have similar solutions about this problem. They try their best to create more public transportations and more comfortable public transport system. For example, Shanghai already made six subway lines, and they are establishing their seventh and eighth until now.

### **2. Housing Problem**

House is the basic need of the person. We can live in a normal life without cars, branded clothes, or good environment, but we can't live a normal life without home. Housing problem is the most serious problem caused by urbanization. Since independence India is developed a lot but still there are millions people who have no house.

Housing problem is a really history and difficult problem for our country. Our government and privet sector already tried many different kinds of solutions. For example, they provided many houses to poor people. But that are not sufficient. Various real states companies are providing accommodation in flat mode. But these flats are too costly that common person cannot afford it. Why metro cities of India still can't solve this problem because metro cities have many opportunities, and there are many people want to move to these metro cities to develop themselves in all aspects.

### **3.Environment Problem**

Urbanization also caused a lot of problems related to environment, such as noise pollution, water pollution and air pollution, soil pollution and so on which causes danger health problems. More people live in city will buy more cars and more people live in city will burn more coals to make electricity. Both Air pollution and climate change are very serious and dangerous problem in the world now. There are more and more people moving to the city and these two problems are becoming more and more serious in the future. If people couldn't find a good way to handle it, our situation would be more uncertain.

**Water pollution** is also very serious in city, because more people live in city and create more industrial trash and daily trash. How to clean these trash, mostly, factories sent these trash to river to flow away. Year by year, the water pollution is becoming more and more serious and harder and harder to solve it. For example, our country is spending a lot of money to clean the Ganga and Yamuna River and made it free from pollution. But serious water problem is occurring because of fast development and development of urbanization. There are two ways to solve these problems. Firstly, educating people have a mind to protect our environment, but it's not very useful. The most useful way is sustainable development. For example, use new and clean materials and resource to product things and recycle this waste material to produce electricity; use new



technology to cut down the carbon dioxide from cars. Sustainable development is a better and indirect way to decrease the pollution.

### **Conclusion**

According to these examples, the problem of urbanization already caused a lot of difficulties and most solutions are sustainable development. Such as develop public transport system, develop new towns, make apartment building higher and use new energy and technology. Although sustainable development can't solve these problems completely, it is really a good way to change the situation. I believe that if we can keep this way, these problems would be eliminated in the future.

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