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Challenges in Resettlement and Adaptation of Urban Dwellers in Colombo City

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Urbanization is an irreversible path of Economic Development and it is being intensified frequently. Although the growth of cities is driven by the economic prosperity, cities today are faced with unprecedented challenges and issues associated with the development. One such negative effect is urban Poverty. The standard of living among the city its dwellers varies widely from abject poverty to affluence of high level. Most of the people live in houses with least facilities. Such conditions have become a challenge to Urban Planner. Recently it was remarkable that Many Housing project has been launched to resettle the poor to ensure the access of proper shelter. So it is exceptional to focus on the challenges in resettlement and adaptation. The main objective of the research is to explore the challenges in resettlement and adaptation of urban dwellers. For this study Colombo city was selected as the study area. The research was both qualitative and Quantitative. Primary data were gathered through questionnaires, Interviews. According to the analysis it was revealed that there is a substantial progress in resettlement of urban deprived. One of the significant challenges is to persuade people to move new dwelling places. Though some people moved to these new dwelling places they have not yet been able to internally change themselves accordingly. The manner in which they got adapted varies from person to person. The behaviors and the social issues are the same that they used to have. New dwelling places have Create Economic pressure on people to unleash a similar problem and Problems have arisen with regard to the institutional mediation. The most obvious suggestion is that all these challenges can only be changed by a superlative rehabilitation instead of a resettlement. Furthermore the research underscores the need of proper institutional management to implement the process.

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