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Envisioning India 2050

Concerns Of Urban Environment (Ncei): Social Issues

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ABSTRACT

AIM: To study and understand the issues or problems India is facing in first two decades of 21st Century and their impact on urban environment and development.

METHODOLOGY: We are dreaming to be the World's largest economic power and Envisioning India in 2050. But at the same time there are so many social, political issues which are to be address in time with proper intension and sensitivity. To study the impact of social issues on development and urban environment, we have to study and understand the Social Issues, Causes and reasons of the issues impacting the urban environment. Understanding, comparing and analysing the impact of these issues, Finding out the solutions and precautionary measures to minimise the impact. Formulation of implementation strategies and Govt. Role in policy making.

FINDINGS: It has been seen even in the past that social issues like Uncontrolled rate of population, Poverty, Communal disharmony, Need of basic Infrastructure, lack of education, Unemployment, Corruption, Crime, Globalization, Regionalism, Political intervention, lack of vision always impacts badly on all facades of development. It is also related to Political impact, willpower and stability of Govt. for implementation of strategies.

IMPLICATIONS: For strategic planning and visioning for 2050, we have to plan strategy at all levels. Govt. will be responsible for developing the vision for development, but at the same time we as citizens should also be very sensitive toward the implementation of all the strategies and we should be sensitive enough towards discipline and development, to create a better urban environment for living and working in 2050.

KEYWORDS: Urban, Environment, Issues, Vision, Development.

1.0 INTRODUCTION:

Bharatratna Dr A.P.J. Abdul Kalam, our most distinguished scientist, Ex. President, examined India's strengths and weaknesses to offer a vision of how India can be among the world's first five economic powers in the year 2020 and he developed a Vision for the New Millennium. They cite growth rates and development trends to show that the goal is not an unrealistic one. Past successes, too, bear them out. As per Dr. Kalam, we were able to launch the green revolution at a time when experts had all but given up on India ever becoming self-sufficient in food. Similarly, in the field of space technology we started from scratch to have today a system of satellite-based communication linking remote regions of the country. The same sense of purpose can lead us to success in many other areas crucial to achieving the goal of a prosperous, strong nation.

Dr. Kalam In his book India 2020, strongly advocates an action plan to develop India into a strong nation by the year 2020. He regarded India as a knowledge superpower and developed nation. The book describes the present and future scenario in India and developed countries.

His vision was to convert India into a 'developed nation' by 2020, this being defined as an India that will be one of the five biggest economic powers, self-reliant in energy and food security. This reads too much like a bureaucratic / corporate vision document.

Unfortunately, Year 2020 came with lot of threats, uncertainties and issues which clearly highlighted that, Dr. Kalam's dreams shattered due to so many social and political reasons and