IMPACTS OF UNPLANNED PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT IN SUB URBAN AREAS



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SYNOPSIS

Chapter One

contains the economic theories, concepts, principles and definitions related to property development. It brings out the relation between property development and Urban growth, planning theories related to it, Urban growth and the Urban growth pattern in Sri Lanka. An emphasis has been made to point out the importance of planning.

Chapter Two

is devoted to examine the past trends and causative factors which gave rise to property development activities with special reference to the post 1977 period. It aims at looking into the effects of policy decisions in relation to spatial development. Lastly, it examines the adverse effects caused due to land use decisions executed in the absence of a comprehensive plan.

Chapter Three

is devoted to the detailed analysis of the case study carried out in Gampaha District; done in three spatial units as regional, local and neighbourhood. The selection criteria and methodology is explained in it. The regional analysis relates to a part of the Gampaha District and analyses the pattern of property development that has taken place, the scale of operation, market share of property, extent of land developed, the nature of property developers and type of property development. The detailed study done is on Katana PSU area with a view to assess the local area impacts. A socio economic study was done in order to understand the views of the public.

Chapter Four

brings out the impacts of unplanned property development that have already come about and which could take place in the future too.

Chapter Five

presents conclusions and recommendations interalia measures to have a plan for guiding the activities of property developers.

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