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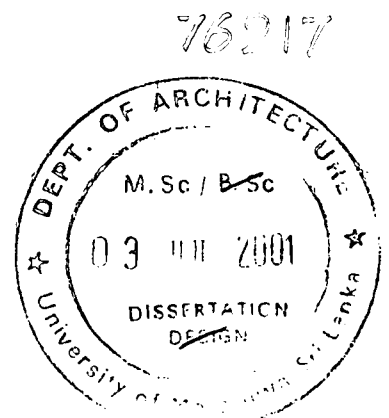
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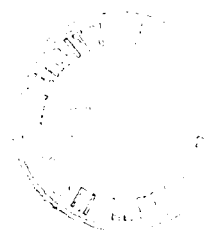
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ABSTRACT

" Clearly, then, the city is not a concrete jungle, it is a human zoo."
(Morris, Desmond, Human Zoo, 1969)

Urban areas exist for human beings. They do not exist for vehicles, buildings or big construction projects. The built environment including urban areas has been created through out history for the sake of human being. There the humanized quality of urban areas is a crucial factor to be considered deeply. The terms, human scale and human proportion can be used as theoretical factors to judge humanized quality of the urban settings. The architects and urban designers should pay keen attention to the basic theories of the human scale and proportion.

" Human scale is a measure of real size. The dimensions of buildings, squares, and streets are compared with the proportions of the human figure. Man therefore, is the measure used for the built environment."
(Moughtin, Cliff, Urban design: street and square , 1992 , p 36)