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**Urban acupuncture as a strategy for revitalizing the derelict mill precinct of Girangaon, Mumbai**

The project is an attempt to study the challenges faced by a historically sounded industrial precinct of Mumbai and understand the reason behind the destruction of social and cultural heritage which evolved from the neighbourhoods of Girangaon(Village of mills). It also analyzes the current development trends and pressures from the south city and suburbs of Mumbai by which the defunct mill lands are now redeveloping into commercial ,residential gated complexes for elite groups and certain kind of gentrification happening to the economically low profile communities living in the mill precinct. It also attempts to propose a right development path through the strategy of urban acupuncture in which the revitalization of the mill precinct will be focused upon the development of struggled mill workers community residing in the rest of the Girangaon. The rapid urbanization of Mumbai is creating large problems like population increase, scarcity of land for open spaces and affordable housing, land use changes, lack of job livelihood opportunities etc. By creating socially and environmentally sustainable urban redevelopment solutions for these problems in the remaining vacant lands of textile mill industry, it can be a key maker for the future developments in the metropolitan region of Mumbai city.

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