

Relevance of Planning of Social Spaces in Low Income Group Housing.

India is treading well towards fulfilling the policy Housing for All by 2022. Government of India has categorized affordable housing as infrastructure in its Union budget 2016, thus, offering the builder a series of good incentive rationale, encouraging him to take the plunge for such housing projects. Low Income housing as well as Middle income housing is the major sectors which are going to see development of high magnitude. Housing deal with human beings who are social animals needing physical space for interaction. Lack of appropriate social spaces in such developments adversely affects its residents. The importance of such social spaces in housing communities has not been recognized yet in Indian national policies. It deserves significance as the affordable LIG housing may go for a intense landuse and opt for high rise housing in states where land availability is less. This research is an attempt to intersect the forward course of affordable housing developments of low income and middle income group, with its need of inclusion of active social spaces through efficient policy level and spatial level interventions, thus increasing the satisfaction index of the beneficiary. This research attempts sociological as well as spatial solutions on the topic.

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