

Dynamics and Trajectories of Indian Streets

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Streets illustrate the cityscapes as well as the society and itself. Streets are the public places where knowledge, ideas, goods and economies; cultures are exchanged thereby connecting people.

India is a culturally, socially, economically diverse country with dense urban fabric and streets have played an extremely crucial role in unifying the societies through its multiplicity, flexibility and efficiency. When traversing through streets in India, one experiences vibrancy, vitality and frugality due to social interactions, movement, economic activities and associative memories of past linked to people. This paper would examine various tasks accomplished by few selected streets in Post-colonial India. It would document the trajectory of streets in order to comprehend and celebrate journey of streets. This paper would research Street as place of inhabitation and sociality and acknowledge its high potential to create livable, desirable and habitable cities. It would also study dynamics in the street structure in the last 70 years through understanding transformations occurred in the streetscapes, land uses, environment, and technological advancements.

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