

Study on Impediments and Success of building Byelaws Implementation in Lahore, Pakistan

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ABSTRACT

Building regulations are a silent protector to the general public. These are mostly not well recognized unless a situation arises where regulations are felt inadequate or not enforced. In Lahore a number of authorities are present for the same purpose. This research aims at studying the building regulations of the city's four different authorities i.e. Lahore Development Authority (LDA), town Municipal Administration (TMA), Lahore Cantonment Board (LCB) and Model Town Cooperative Society (MCS), and assesses the underlying causes for their implementation failures and successes. Along with reviewing the international practices, the study identifies respondents from the general public and building officials and thus tabulates the obtained results for analyzing the efficiency of a building authority. Socio-economic surveys as well as interview surveys have been conducted, in the light of which the working of all four authorities in relevance to different attributes have been assessed. The results reveal that the MCS has the most efficient building regulations mechanism and portrays an overall satisfactory condition. Recommendations have been made to identify tools for better implementation of building bye laws as well as provide an insight to the user for legalized building construction.

KEYWORDS

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