

Nature in the city in contemporary urban planning

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Abstract:

It is obvious that, any change in environment, is in fact a change in un-used natural space. Hence, built environment is essentially different from natural environment.

In the process of formation and completion of cities, human beings gradually become distant from their natural environment. In traditional cities of the past, there was a balanced relationship between man, nature and built environment. The changes were under control of mankind. Due to small size of the cities, the natural basin of the city was perceivable, and the citizens were easily in direct contact with their environment.

At those times, the cities were the inseparable part of natural harmony and their physiologic and biologic relationship to a considerable extent was through the self-regulatory process of nature.

In fact, there was an ideal relationship between the city as a part, with nature as a whole. But, by the growth of cities, this relationship was weakened, to the extent of complete isolation.

So, the relationship between man and his environment has become a domination relationship, making the issue of confrontation between man and nature a worrying subject.

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