



Historic Cities in India-An Overview

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Abstract

The historic town is a significant part of the contemporary Indian environment harbouring large population in its defined limit. Along with the art, architecture, buildings and historic settlements, India has a rich cultural heritage. Due to rapid urbanisation and changing lifestyles of the people in the recent years, alarming crisis of these cultural heritages is getting exposed. Due to various reasons, both traditional and contemporary planning practices in India have failed to develop standards and norms for historic cities. In this paper the issue of planning for historic cities in the Indian cities is examined. The finds that the changing social and economic scenarios in the cities have introduced a fused culture collage of the traditional and contemporary era.

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