

SUSTAINABILITY IN URBAN DEVELOPMENT  
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**ABSTRACT**

Sustainable development means attaining a balance between environmental protection, present and future needs. It means equity in development and sectoral actions across space and time . It requires an integration of economic, social and environmental approaches towards development. Sustainable urban development refers to attaining social equity and environmental protection in urbanization while minimizing the costs of urbanization. This paper deals with the role of environment and climate change in sustainable urban development. The first section deals with urban basic services and sustainable urban development in India. The second section notes the inefficiencies in the land policy of India .....and its implications for sustainable urban development in India. The last and third section summarizes the discussion and ends with way forward. This paper aims at discussing some of the important issues relating to sustainable urban form that would lead to sustainable urban development with possible references to India. The dissertation is based on available literature and secondary data.