



The Study of Sustainable Urban Development: Case study of Yasouj, Iran

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Abstract

The existence of inequalities and different dimensions of it significantly demonstrate underdevelopment; the distribution of development index in different levels should be revised in order to remove such deficiencies. In order to solve the problems which stem from regional imbalances, the first step is to study and classify the regions from the point of view their enjoyment in different fields. Based on this fact, some of the development indexes including therapeutic- hygienic indexes, cultural, economic, civil indexes in urban districts and infrastructure indexes in Yasouj were examined and studied. The methodology of the research is of analytic-descriptive one and the results of it can be applied in other studies. The required data have been collected using the statistic resources related to general census of population and housing, statistic calendar of Iran statistic center and other related organizations. The data collected are related to 2012. Data were analyzed using the interpretative approaches, fuzzy multi-indexes analysis, fuzzy hierarchical analysis and SWOT model. The findings of the research shows that according to the studies of selected indexes in the whole city, the development of Yasouj is not close to national indexes and there is a significant difference between these two, therefore the unsustainability of urban development is evident. Being far from the political, economic, social and other important centers of country and also being mountainous can be among the reasons of underdevelopment of the city which caused some of the social, economic and social indexes show unsustainability at the time of study.

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