Unit V Sustainability Practices

SUSTAINABLE HABITAT

Sustainable habitat means the maintenance of our natural home.

Definition

A sustainable habitat is an ecosystem that produces food and shelter for people and other organisms without resource depletion ie., no external waste is produced.

Objectives of national mission on sustainable habitat

- 1. To reduce energy demand by promoting alternative technologies and energy conservation practices inboth residential and commercial areas.
- 2. Better urban planning like
- (i) using better disaster management
- (ii) lesser use of private transport
- (iii) more usage of public transport
- 3. Encourage community involvement and participation of stake holders.
- 4. Conservation of natural resources such as clean air, water, flora and fauna.
- 5. Facilitate the growth of small and medium cities.
- 6. To create sustainable habitats, engineers and architects should not consider any element as a waste product.

How to maintain sustainable habitat

For maintaining our sustainable habitat, we should

- (i) Promote energy efficiency.
- (ii) Promote the use of eco-friendly fuels.
- (iii) Better manage municipal solid waste.
- (iv) Promote to public transport.

GREEN BUILDINGS

Definition

Green building is an efficient method of construction that produces healthier buildings, which have less impact on the environment and climate. It requires less cost to maintain. Green buildings preserve previous natural resources and improve our quality of life.

Features of Green building

- (i) Efficient use of energy, water and other resources.
- (ii) Use of renewable energy such as solar energy.
- (iii) Pollution and waste reduction measures ie., reuse and recycling.
- (iv) Good indoor environmental air quality.

- (v) Use of materials that are non-toxic, ethical and sustainable.
- (vi) A design that enables adaptation to environment.
- (vii) Consideration of the quality of life of occupant in design, construction and operation.
- (viii) Construction of the environment in construction and operation.

Principles of Green building

The five principles of green building are

- (i) Livable communities.
- (ii) Energy efficiency.
- (iii) Indoor air quality.
- (iv) Resource conservation.
- (v) Water conservation.

Components of green building

Seven important components of green buildings are

- 1. Aluminium weather resistant insulated access panel. It helps regulate in door temperature and preventmoisture and pest from entering.
- 2. Energy efficient windows.
- 3. Green roof.
- 4. Solar power.
- 5. Water conservation.
- 6. Recycling.
- 7. Landscaping.

Advantages and Disadvantages of Green building Advantages of Green building

- 1. Green buildings are energy efficient.
- 2. Higher fraction of eco-friendly materials.
- 3. Water efficient devices.
- 4. Reduction in waste.
- 5. Less air pollution.
- 6. Reduction in green house gas emissions.
- 7. Protection of our natural resources.
- 8. Indoor air quality is improved.
- 9. Use of recycled metal and other construction materials.
- 10. Emphasis on renewable energies.
- 11. Day lighting is utilized as best as possible.
- 12. Use of renewable plant materials.
- 13. Higher market value.

- 14. Rainwater collection and use of compost bins.
- 15. Overall health improvements.

Disadvantages of Green building

- 1. High initial costs.
- 2. Energy supply may depend on weather condition.
- 3. Technology problems are more.
- 4. Maintenance may be difficult.
- 5. Indoor air temperature may greatly vary over time.
- 6. Experienced green construction workers may be rare.
- 7. Green construction is not suitable for all locations.
- 8. Availability of green construction materials.
- 9. Funding problems for green buildings.

GREEN MATERIALS

Definition

Green materials also called eco-friendly materials, building construction materials that have low impact on the environment. Due to the properties of non-toxic, organic and recycling, green materials are widely used in various industrial applications.

Examples: Naturally occurring materials like wood, ceramics, glass, clay, sand, stone.

Characteristics of green materials

Common characteristics of green material are

- 1. Green materials are energy efficient products, it uses less energy to do the same task.
- 2. It lowers energy cost and less in pollution.
- 3. Green materials are mostly renewable, can be regenerated again and again.

Example: Bamboo grows quickly while pine grows more slowly, but both are renewable.

- 4. Green materials are recyclable (or) made recycled material. So, they save energy and reduce waste.
- 5. Green materials are non-toxic, they do not emit odors, irritants (or) hazardous compounds that affecthuman health.
- 6. They are durable and no need to upgrade (or) repair. They preserve resources and energy.
- 7. They are cost-effective.
- 8. They can be locally sourced, so transport cost can be reduced.

Important green building material

Green building is construction that primarily uses natural materials and renewablere sources. These structure look really cool.

- 1. Stone: It is low maintenance and durable.
- 2. Cob: (mud mixture of natural ingredients like soil. sand, straw and lime). It is cheap and

energyefficient.

- 3. Bamboo: It is durable and light weight.
- 4. Cork: (Cork canes from oak trees)

It is a very good thermal insulator and mold resistant

5. Adobe briek: (brick made of glay and straw)

Natural noise protection and posses unique design (can be easily cut and transformed).

6. Stram bale

Easily renewable and cheap.

7. Cord wood

Affordable (cheap and easy construction) thermal efficiency.

8. Earth bags (or) sand bags

Locally sourced and provide natural insulation.

9. Mycelium (or) mushroom roots Strong and

light weight.

ENERGY AND EFFICIENCY

Definition

Energy efficiency is the use of less energy to perform the same task (or) produce the sameresult. Energy efficient homes and buildings use less energy to heat, cool and run appliances and electronics.



Energy efficiency logo

Methods of achieveing Energy efficiency

Energy efficiency can be achieved by the following methods.

- (i) Alternative waste treatment.
- (ii) Avoided emissions from diverting legacy waste from landfill for process engineered fuel manufacture.
- (iii) Avoided emissions from diverting legacy waste from landfill through a composting alternative waste technology.
- (iv) Capture and combustion of landfill gas.

Advantages (or) benefits of energy efficiency

- 1. Using energy more efficiently is one of the fastest, most cost effective ways to save money.
- 2. Increased energy efficiency can lower green house gas emissions and other pollutants.
- 3. Energy efficiency also decreases water use.
- 4. It can lower individual utility bills, create jobs and help stabilize electricity prices.
- 5. It provides long-term benefits by lowering overall electricity demand, thus reducing the need to invest in new electricity generation and transmission infrastructure.
- 6. Energy efficient construction is environmentally -friendly as it does not emit harmful carbon di oxide into the atmosphere.

Example

Energy - efficient LED light bulbs are able to produce the same amount of light a sincandescent light bulbs by using 75 to 80% less electricity.

Disadvantages (or) limitations of energy efficiency

- 1. Energy efficient construction is the high cost of enforcing ie., addition cost is required tobuild and plan such buildings.
- 2. Building materials are not always available.
- 3. Although energy efficient construction is environmentally friendly, it produces less carbonemissions and has slight unfavorable effects on the human health.
- 4. Indoor air is 3 to 7 times more polluted than outdoor air.

SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORT

Definition

Sustainable transport refers to any means of transportation that is "green" and has lowimpact on the environment.

Examples

- 1. walking
- 2. cycling
- 3. transit
- 4. carpooling
- 5. car sharing
- 6. green vehicles

Sustainable transport can carry people for more efficiently than cars. Electric cars pollute lessand reduce individual carbon foot prints.



Sustainable Transport

Importance of Sustainable Transport

- (i) Sustainable transport contributes to reduction in CO₂ emission and therefore to a reduction in atmospheric pollution and improved air quality in cities.
- (ii) The aim of this type of transport is to reduce the negative impacts on the environment.

How to promote sustainable transport

Followings are steps for promoting sustainable transport.

1. Enhancing puplic transportation

It is not only less polluting means of transportation, but also promoting HSE (Health, safety and environment) policy.

- **2. Encouraging car pooling :** It reduces the volume of CO₂, emitted per inhabitant.
- 3. Encouraging bicycle use: It is reliable and non-polluting means of transportation.
- **4. Tele working:** It reduces employee travel and therefore their carbon food print.

SUSTAINABILITY ENERGY

Definition

Sustainable energy is the energy which meets the needs of present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs.

It should be encouraged as it does not cause any harm to the environment and is available widely at free of cost.

Sources of Sustainable energy

Followings are the sustainable energy sources as they are stable and available in plenty.

- 1. Wind energy.
- 2. Solar energy.
- 3. Ocean energy.
- 4. Hydro power.
- 5. Geothermal energy.

Merits of Non Conventional energy resources

- 1. Unlimited supply.
- 2. Provides energy security.
- 3. Fits into sustainable development concept.
- 4. Reliable and the devices are modular in size.
- 5. Decentralized energy production.

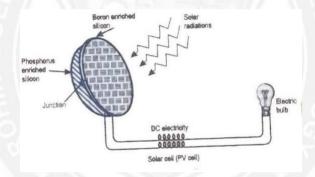
Solar Energy

The energy that we get directly from the sun is called solar energy. The nuclear fusion reactions occurring inside the sun release enormous amount of energy in the form of heat and light. Several techniques are available for collecting ,converting and using solar energy.

Methods of Harvesting Solor Energy

Some important solar energy harvesting devices are given below.

1. Solar cells (or) photovoltaic cells (or) PV cells



Solar Cell

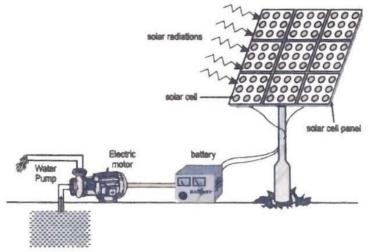
Solar cells consists of a p-type semiconductor (such as Si doped with B) and n-type semiconductor (such as Si doped with P). They are in close contact with each other. When the solar rays fall on the top. layer of P-type semiconductor, the electrons from the valence band gets promoted to the conduction band and cross the P-N junction into N-type semiconductor. There by potential difference between two layers is created, which causes flow of electrons (ie., an electric current).

Uses

Used in calculators, electronic watches, street lights, water pumps to run radios and TV

Solar Battery

When a large number of solar cells are connected in series it form a solar battery..



1. Solar pumb run by solor cells (Battery)

Solar battery produce more electricity which is enough to run water pump, street lights etc., They are used in remote areas where conventional electricity supply is a problem.

2. Solar heat collectors

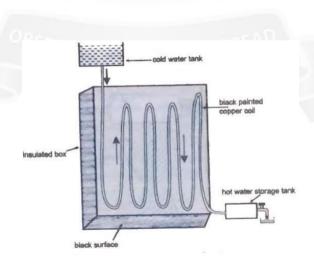
Solar heat collectors consist of natural materials like stones, bricks (or) materials like glass, which can absorb heat during the day time and release it slowly at night.

Uses

It is generally used in cold places, where houses are kept in hot condition using solar heat collectors.

3. Solar water heater

It consists of an insulated box inside of which is painted with black paint. It is also provided with a glass lid to receive and store solar heat. Inside the box it has black painted copper coil, through which cold water is allowed to flow in ,which gets heated up and flows out into a storage tank. From the storage tank water is then supplied through pipes.



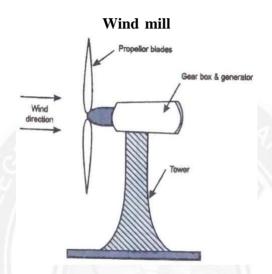
Solor Water Heater

Wind Energy

Moving air is called wind. Energy recovered from the force of the wind is called wind energy. The energy possessed by wind is because of its high speed. The wind energy is harnessed by making use of wind mills.

1. Wind mills

The strike of blowing wind on the blades of the windmill makes it rotating continuously. The rotational motion of the blade drives a number of machines like water pump, flour mills and electric generators.



2. Wind forms

When a large number of wind mills are installed and joined together in a definite patternit forms a wind farm.

The wind fans, produce a large amount of electricity.

Condition

The minimum speed required for satisfactory working of a wind generator is 15 km 1hr.

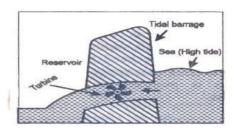
Advantages

- 1. It does not cause any air pollution.
- 2. It is very cheap.

Ocean Energy

Ocean can also be used for generating energy in the following ways.

1. Tidal Energy (or) Tital power Ocean tides, produced by gravitation & forces of sun and moon, contain enormous amount of energy. The 'high tide' and 'low tide' refers to the rise and fall of water in the oceans. The tidal energy can be harnessed by constructing a tidal barrage.



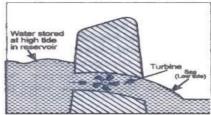


Fig (a) Water flows into the reservoir from sea

Fig (b) Water flows out from the reservoir to the sea

- (a) During high tide, the sea-water is allowed to flow into the reservoir of the barrage and rotates theturbine, which inturn produces electricity by rotating the generators.
- (b) During low tide, when the sea level is low, the sea water stored in the barrage reservoir is allowed to flowinto the sea and again rotates the turbine.

2. Ocean Thermol Energy (OTE)

There is often large temperature difference between the surface level and deeper level of the tropicaloceans. This temperature difference can be utilized to generate electricity. The energy available due to the difference in temperature of water is called ocean thermal energy. **Condition**

The temperature difference should be of 20°C (or) more is required between surface water and deeper water.

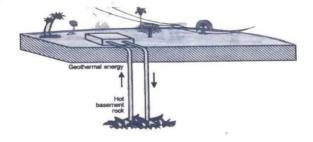
Process

The warm surface water of ocean is used to boil a low boiling liquid like ammonia. The high vapour pressure of the liquid, formed by boiling, is then used to turn the turbine of the generator and generates electricity. The cold water from the deeper ocean is pumped to cool and condense the vapour into liquid.

3. Geo thermal energy

Temperature of the earth increases at a rate of 20-75°C per km, when we move down the -earth surface. High temperature and high pressure steam fields exist below the earth's surface in many places. The energy harnessed from the high temperature present inside theear this called geothermal energy.

Geo-Thermol Energy



1. Natural geysers

In some places, the hot water (or) steam comes out of the ground through cracks naturally in the form of natural geysers.

2. Artificial geysers

In some places, we can artificially drill a hole up to the hot region and by sending a pipe in it, we can make the hot water (or) steam to rush out through the pipe with very high pressure.

Thus, the hot water (or) steam coming out from the natural (or) artificial geysers is allowed to rotate the turbine of a generator to produce electricity.

Biomass energy

Biomass is the organic matter, produced by plants (or) animals, used as sources of energy. Most of the biomass is burned directly for heating, cooling and industrial purposes.

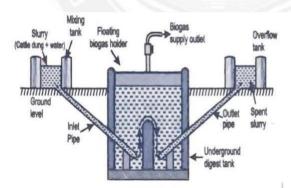
Examples

Wood, crop residues, seeds, cattle dung, sewage, agricultural wastes etc., Biomass energies are of any one of the following.

1. Biogas

Biogas is a mixture of gases such as methane, carbondioxide, hydrogen sulphide, etc.,It contains about 65% of methane gas as a major constituent.

Biogas is obtained by the anaerobic fermentation of animal dung (or) plant wastes in the presence of water.



Biogas Plant

2. Biofuels

Biofuels are the fuels, obtained by the fermentation of biomass.

Examples: Ethanol, methanol.

- (a) Ethanal: Ethanol can be produced from the sugarcane. Its calorific value is less when compared topetrol, and produces much less heat than petrol.
- **(b) Methanol :** Methanol can be easily obtained from ethanol (or) sugar-containing plants. Its calorific valuealso too low when compared to gasoline and diesel.

- (c) Gasohol: Gasohol is a mixture of ethanol + gasoline. In India trial is being carried out to use Gasohol incars and buses.
- (d) **Hydrogen fuel**: Hydrogen can be produced by thermal dissociation (or) photolysis (or) electrolysis of water. It possess high calorific value. It is non-polluting, because the combustion product is water.

$$2H_2 + O_2$$
 \longrightarrow $2H_2O + 150 \text{ kJ}$

Disadvantages of Hydrogen fuel

- 1. Hydrogen is highly inflammable and explosive in nature.
- 2. Safe handling is required.
- 3. It is difficult to store and transport.

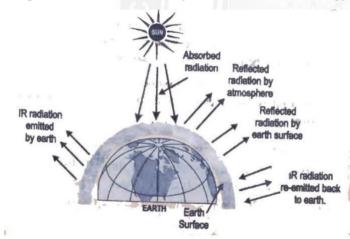
ENERGY CYCLES

Energy cycle, is the interactions between energy sources within the Earth's environment.

These interactions are very complex and even small changes in them can lead to significant changes in long-term climate behavior.

Mastration

A simple illustration of the major elements of the energy cycle is shown in the figure.



Energy Cycles

Soil moisture is an important factor in the absorption and reflection of the sun's energy by the earth's surface.

Important energy cycles

- (i) Carbon cycle.
- (ii) Nitrogen cycle.
- (iii) Phosphorus cycle.

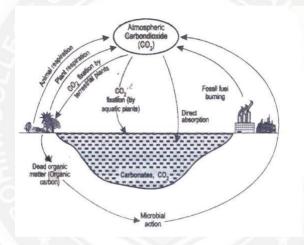
Carbon cycles Definition

Carbon cycle is the movement of carbon (or) carbon compounds continuously from the atmosphere to the earth and then back into the atmosphere.

- (Or) Carbon cycle is the process where carbon compounds are interchanged among the biosphere, geosphere, hydrosphere and atmosphere of the earth. Carbon in the atmosphere is present in the form of carbon dioxide. Carbon enters the atmosphere through natural process such as respiration and industrial applications such as burning of fossil fuels sources of CO₂ in atmosphere.
 - 1. During respiration, plants and animals liberates CO₂ in the atmosphere.
 - 2. Combustion of fuels also release CO₂.
 - 3. Volcanic eruptions also release CO₂.

Various steps involved in carbon cycle

Carbon cycle involves the following 5 important steps.



Carbon Cycles

Step 1: Carbon present in the atmosphere is absorbed by plants by the processes of photosynthesis, which involves the absorption of CO_2 by plants to produce carbohydrates (producers).

$$CO_2 + H_2O + energy$$
 \longrightarrow $(CH_2O)_n + O_2$

Step 2: These plants are then consumed by animals and carbon gets bioaccumulated into their bodies (consumers).

Step 3:These animals and plants eventually die and decomposers eat the dead organism and return the carbon from their body back into the atmosphere (decomposers)

$$(CH_2O)_n + O_2$$
 $CO_2 + H_2O + energy$

Step 4: Some of the carbon that is not released back into the atmosphere eventually become fossil fuels.

Step 5: These fossil fuels are then used for man-made activities, which pump more carbon back into the atmosphere.

Importants (or) benefits of carbon cycle

- 1. It plays a vital role in balancing the energy and traps the long-wave radiations from the sun ie., it acts like a blanket. over the planet, avoids global warming.
- 2. Carbon cycle is an important aspect of the survival of all life on earth.
- 3. Carbon is the building block of life and forms bonds with other elements necessary for life.

CARBON EMISSION AND SEQUESTRATION

Carbon emission

Carbon emission is the release of green house gases and their precursors into the atmosphere over a specified area and period of time.

Types of carbon omissions

Carbon (Green ho use gas) emissions are classified into two scopes.

1. Direct emissions

Direct emissions comes from company.

2. Indirect emissions

Indirect emissions from the generation of purchased energy (purchased electricity steam, heat and cooling) from a utility provider (end user).

Sources (or) Causes of carbon emission

1. Natural sources of CO₂ emission

It includes

- (a) Decomposition of matter.
- (b) Ocean release.
- (c) Respiration.
- (d) Most animals, which exhale CO₂ as a waste product.
- (e) Carbonate rocks.

2. Human sources of CO₂ emission

It includes

- (i) Burning of fossil fuels like coal, natural gas and oil.
- (ii) Deforestation.
- (iii) Industrial activities like cement manufacture oil refineries and leather industries. '
- (iv) Transportation sector generates largest amount of CO2 in the atmosphere.

Harmful effects of carbon emissions

- 1. Carbon emission, nothing but emision of green house gas, affects the planet significantly.
- 2. It causes global warming and affects climate change.

Reduction of carbon emission

There are many ways to reduce green house gas emissions like

- 1. energy efficiency.
- 2. fuel switching.
- 3. combined heat and power.
- 4. use of renewable energy.
- 5. more efficient use.
- 6. recycling of materials.
- 7. plant more trees.
- 8. reduce air travel.
- 9. driving more efficient.

Carbon sequestrarion

It is the process of capturing and storing atmospheric carbon dioxide. It is one method of reducing the amount of CO₂ in the atmosphere. Goal of carbon sequestration is to reduce global climate change. 25% of our carbon emissions have been captured by earth's forests, farms and grassland. Scientists and land managers are working to keep landscapes vegetated and soil hydrated for plants to grow and sequester carbon.30% of the carbon dioxide, we emit from burning fossil fuels, is absorbed by the upper layer of the ocean.45% of carbon dioxide stays in the atmosphere the rest in sequestered naturally by the environment.

Concept (or) Aim of carbon sequestrarion

The concept of carbon sequestration is to stabilize carbon in solid and dissolved forms so that it doesn't cause the atmosphere to warm. The process shows tremendous promise for reducing the human "carbon foot print".

Methods (or) Type of carbon sequestrarion

There are three main types of carbon sequestration.

1. Biological carbon sequestration.

It is the storage of CO₂ in vegetation like grassland, forests, soils and oceans.

2. Geological carbon sequestration

It is the process of storing CO₂ in underground geologic formations (or) rocks. Typically, CO₂ is captured from an industrial sources like steel (or) cement production,

power plant and injected into the porous rocks for long-term storage.

3. Technological carbon sequestration

Scientists are using innovative technologies to remove and store carbon from the atmosphere using innovative technologies.

Example: Graphene production

The use of CO₂ as a raw material to produce graphene (a technological material). Graphene is used to create screens for smart phones and other technical devices. Graphene production is an example of how CO₂ can be used as a resource and a solution in reducing emissions from atmosphere.

Advantages and Disadvantages of carbon sequestrationAdvantages

(Merits)

- 1. Carbon sequestration prevents the occurrence of climate change.
- 2. Deep injection of CO₂ improves the extraction of fuels like oil and methane from their reserves in addition to removing excess pollutants from the air.
- 3. Since the gas can be easily liquefied it can be easily transmitted through pipelines.
- 4. No CO₂ leaking out from the injection site. It lowers carbon emission by 80% to 85% while using fossilfuels.

Disadvantages (or) Limitations

- 1. Due to carbon sequestration, in power plants, 40% additional coal is consumed and hence cost of energygets increased by 1 to 5% per kilowatt hour.
- 2. CO₂ from power plant emissions must be captured and liquified, which uses a lot of electrical power.
- 3. It can be disastrous if the injected gas leaks due to structural flaws in the geological formation.
- 4. The ocean can become acidic due to the large amounts of carbon dioxide being injected in to it ,endangering aquatic life.
- 5. Planting trees, with the intention of storing and absorbing carbon, requires more time for the trees to mature.
- 6. There is no enough available geological resources to sequester carbon.
- 7. The concentration of CO₂, from power plant exhaustis too low for being effectively liquified.

GREEN ENGINEERING

Definition

Green engineering is the design, commercialization and use of processes and products that minimizes pollution, promotes sustainability and promotes human health without affecting environment.

Examples for green engineering

- 1. Biodegradable cups and straws.
- 2. Enhanced industrial emission filters.
- 3. Waste water treatment.
- 4. Radiant floors (heat homes efficiently by installing warming tubes under a floor).

5. Plant-based cooling (an alternate cooling solution using plants and trees installed around (or)on a building)

Goal of green engineering

- 1. Decrease in the amount of pollution that is generated by a construction.
- 2. Minimization of human population exposure to potential hazards (reducing toxicity).
- 3. Improved uses of matter and energy throughout the life cycle of the product.
- 4. Maintaining economic efficiency and viability.
- 5. Reduces energy and water consumption.
- 6. Reduces waste and our carbon footprint.
- 7. Improves business efficiency by lowering costs while improving the product design and creating newjobs.

Principles of Green engineering

- 1. All materials and energy inputs and outputs are inherently non-hazardous as possible.
- 2. It is better to prevent waste that to treat (or) cleanup waste after it is formed.
- 3. Separation and purification operations should be designed to minimize energy consumption and materialuse.
- 4. Products, processes and systems must be designed to maximize mass, energy, space and time efficiency.
- 5. Products processes and system should be "output" pulled rather than "input pushed through the use of energy and materials.
- 6. Complexity must be viewed as an investment when making design choices on recycle, reuse.
- 7. Durability rather than immortality should be a design goal.
- 8. Material diversity in multi-component products should be minimized.
- 9. Design of products, processes and system must include integration and inter-connectivity with availableenergy and materials flow.
- 10. Products should be designed for performance in a commercial "after life".
- 11. Material and energy inputs should be renewable rather than depleting.

Benefits of green engineering

- 1. This process enhances business practices by eliminating improper production methods.
- 2. It improves a company's reputation by showing consumers it cares about the environment.
- 3. It minimizes energy (or) production waste.
- 4. It provides tax incentives.
- 5. It helps the global environment.
- 6. It reduces air, water and soil pollutions.
- 7. It provides new business opportunities.

Limitations (or) disadvantages of green engineering

- 1. R &D costs, production and implementation costs are high.
- 2. Implementation will take many years.
- 3. Green technology is still quite immature.
- 4. Some companies may go out of business.
- 5. Job losses.
- 6. Sophisticated regulatory frame work needed.
- 7. Not everything that is labeled as green is actually green.

SUSTAINABLE URBANIZATION

Urbanization is the movement of human population from rural areas to urban areas for the want of better education, communication, health, employment, etc., without affecting the environment and needs of future generations.

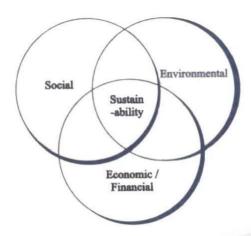
Rules to develop a sustainable urbanization

- 1. Sustainable transportation.
- 2. Sustainable urban development.
- 3. Climate change mitigation and landscape architecture.
- 4. Resilient design (regarding natural hazards).
- 5. Applying ecological design.
- 6. Improving water efficiency.
- 7. Increasing energy efficiency.
- 8. Using low impact materials.

By following the above rules, urbanization can be made into sustainable.

Pillers of sustainable urbanization

Sustainability is based on three functional areas ie., social, environmental and financial econonical. These functional areas are interconnected and must considered together. The place where these all meet and are balanced is the goal of sustainability.



Functional areas of sustainable urbanization

The goal of urban sustainability is to prevent resource availability issues for existing (or) future generations. It also minimizes an urban area's impact on its ecosystem

Advantages and Disadvantages of sustainable urbanization Advantages

- 1. Urbanization creates convenience.
- 2. Urban economies can be better than rural ones.
- 3. Provides better education.
- 4. Get better housing.
- 5. Provides better social life.
- 6. Provides better healthcare services.
- 7. More security and police availability.
- 8. More entertainment options.
- 9. More tourist attractions.
- 10. More places to shop in urban areas.

Disadvantages

- 1. Over crowding in urban areas.
- 2. Buying a house might be a challenge.
- 3. Decline in rural area.
- 4. Too much crime occurs in urban area.
- 5. Unemployment problem is more.
- 6. Cost of living is higher.
- 7. No privacy.
- 8. Pollution problem is more.

SOCIO-ECONOMICAL CHANGE ON SUSTAINABLE URBANIZATION

Urbanization has many adverse effects on the structure of society because,

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- (i) Gigantic concentrations of people compete for limited resources.
- (ii) Rapid housing construction leads to over crowding.
- (iii) Slums, which experience major problems such as poverty, poor sanitation, unemployment.
- (iv) It leads to higher crime rates and pollution.
- (v) It also leads to increased levels of inequality and social exclusion.
- (vi) Environmental degradation is occurring very rapidly causing problems like land insecurity, excessive air pollution, waste disposal problems.

Technological change on sustainable urbanization

Technological change involves the introduction of something new (or) a new idea, method (or) device. Technological innovations, as part of technological change, allows organisations to test new ideas at speeds and prices that were never anticipated a decade ago.

- 1. Technological innovation has changed the overall effectiveness and benevolence over time and with regard to sustainability.
- 2. Upgrading of industrial structure improves the sustainable urbanization.
- 3. Technological change and sustainability are closely related to each other.

Both factors form the innovation inorder to improve the effectiveness of environmental and social development and economic progress.

5. The combination of digital technology in the business model will establish and empower a city to be more sustainable..

