FACILITATING SPACES FOR SOCIAL INTERACTION THROUGH ARCHITECTURE AN EXAMINATION
WITH SPECIAL REFERENCE TO MIDDLE INCOME CLASS HOUSING SCHEMES IN COLOMBO AND SUBURBS

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Abstract

Social interaction is an important factor in any situation. In the journey of the life, people meet different people. Their backgrounds vary from one person to another. With reference to the residential neighborhood housing schemes, this factor is the most vital ingredient contributing to strengthen the harmony in the society. With the industrialization, urbanization and globalization the communal life in the modern society is very intricate and erratic. Due to that, the social bonds vanish from human beings. According to the lack of social values the neighbourhood will not exist for a long time. So the social spaces should be enlivened and to make more cheerful locations to the users to re-create the social bonds. Therefore the main objective of this examination is to identify the degree of social interaction in every space in the housing scheme and formulate the spatial organization to -make livelier the social interaction.

The chapter one of this examination is focused on architecture and social interaction. The attributes of architecture and the social function of architecture will be discussed in the next Then the social interaction will confer by covering the importance of the social interaction, and the modes of social interaction. And under that section, the most valuable parts will be discussed. One of them is the degree of social interaction and the other is the spatial organization for the social interaction.

The chapter two focuses on the middle income class people. Initially, converse the notion of house, home and dwelling. Then talk about the housing phenomena in extensive way. After that the categorization directly comes into the middle income class housing schemes. The determination of social class and the emergence of the middle income class are then mentioned the behavioral attitudes of the middle income class people are discussed. Finally it spotlights the instances for social interacting spaces in the housing schemes.
The chapter three thrashes out the case studies within the framework in chapter one. That gives you an idea about the social interaction space and the spatial organization of that space. In that way this examination has opened new panoramas to enliven the social interaction.