

Study of practice of good governance in local authority for urban development

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Local authorities are the grass root level agencies that lead the development in each locality. Local authorities have a trend of developing as rural to urban with the rapid urbanization. But, most of the local authorities have stagnant development due to inefficiency, less transparency and accountability and less public participation etc. Thus it reveals that unresponsive, unaccountable, inefficient and ineffective system of governance does not achieve the goals of development. Good governance contributes sustained development to be flourished. The objective of the study was to identify the relationship between good governance and urban development and to examine the practice of good governance concepts to achieve long term sustained urban development. The study examined the literature review on good governance concepts and conceptual background of urban development. The latter focused on developing a good governance index and assess the practice of good governance in local authorities by using the questionnaire survey, interview, secondary data & observation methods.

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