



**Final Year Project Showcase Batch 2019
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Department: Architecture and Planning Programme: <i>Development Studies</i>	
1	Project Idea The project aims to investigate and conduct a comparative study of public and private sector-led development with the hypothesis that the public sector-driven public spaces are inclusive as compared to the private sector-driven public spaces
2	Process Case study area selection criteria were determined to focus on public spaces established within the historical period to contemporary times in order to examine the transformation based on the timeline. Based on various series of research surveys and in-depth qualitative interviews, the research proceeded towards data findings that were studied and analysed parallel to the existing secondary literature for a contextual understanding of the entire process.
3	Outcome Based on the varying parameters that determines the levels of inclusivity within public and private sector driven public spaces respectively, the lack of availability of statistical data and its documentation concerning the public spaces in Karachi's context, there is an urgency of addressing this matter which cannot be understated. Therefore, a project proposal was extended regarding the development of a public institution under local government to focus primarily on the formalizing the documentation of data besides ensuring public participation, advocacy and consensus building.
4	Evidence (Theoretical Basis) As per the theoretical framework the research focuses on the theory "Right to the City" by Henri Lefebvre and David Harvey which emphasis over the idea of individual rights and interests in planning and shaping of the city. According to the primary research findings the collective interest of public is essential for participatory development and planning of the city provided the inclusivity of public spaces. The inclusivity of public spaces is also analyzed in the research, in order to explore several parameters of accessibility, Those parameters are age group, gender, mobility, income group, disability, safety and security etc . It was found that public sector driven public spaces are inclusive however, these are more in the city center. Whereas private sector driven public spaces
5	Impact on Sustainability of Urban Regions or SDG-11 "Sustainable Cities and Communities" In alignment with this goal, the project focuses on providing universal access to public spaces in urban areas. By creating community parks, gardens, and recreational facilities, the project offers accessible and inclusive spaces for residents to connect with nature, engage in physical activities, and enhance their overall well-being. Emphasizes the importance of partnerships and collaboration for achieving sustainable development. By involving various stakeholders and implementing collaborative approaches, we can leverage the potential of neighborhood spaces.
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