

**Study on the spatial perception of women friendly cities**  
**Special reference to Nugegoda town**

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## **Abstract**

Today the government had launched various city development proposals to add aesthetic beauty to the city. Here I focused on urban development, especially on women friendly city development. In the public spaces women face various harassments by society and physical form of the city makes many disturbances or difficulties in their day to day activities.

Walkable environment is becoming more important in various ways. It takes attention related to public health, sustainability, economy or social life. Therefore there is a growing trend to develop walkable built environment. The study based on new way of recording and understanding the importance of women friendly walkable connections for the urban women in an urban context.

The study focused on Nugegoda city which attracts various ages of people for many purposes. Using several variables such as age, mode of transportation, purpose of coming to the city, etc. gathers information to recognize the usage of city by women. Through examination of women's activities within the city, by questioning and collecting mind maps collect data to identify how far the physical formation of the city helps them to make the efficiency of day to day life.

Objective of the research focused to identify how influence physical formations of urban walk ways for the women attraction or discouragement. Further study was to identify most important aspects to create women attractive urban environment by an analysis of a comparative study. Results of the empirical study confirm the significance of special perception on creating a women's friendly city.

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