

# Review of: "Crime Prevention through Environmental Design — Enhancing Safety and Livability in Maqboolpura, Amritsar: An Adaptive Approach to Crime Prevention in Informal Settlements"

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Title: Crime Prevention through Environmental Design — Enhancing Safety and Livability in Maqboolpura, Amritsar: An Adaptive Approach to Crime Prevention in Informal Settlements.

- The search is very interesting, however, there are minor corrections that need to be done which I will mention here, the inconsistency in the in-text referencing and outdated references which makes it difficult to trust their relevance to the current situation therefore please add references that are speaking to the current situations at least references shouldn't be more than 8 years old(unless that's the only study).
- In terms of images and maps, if possible please generate maps that will zoom exactly to the location and show a bit of the surrounding rather than the maps you have.
- Please look at the flow of your information and see if each paragraph makes sense, see if the reader can move from one paragraph to another without any confusion.

## Abstract

The abstract fails to provide an overview scientific knowledge gap while the methodology is not clearly outlined and the key findings associated with the research. The fundamentals are still lacking here. What is the novelty of the study?

## 1. Introduction

"Maqboolpura, an informal settlement in Punjab's Amritsar district, has 18370 residents. The area is 1.29 square kilometres in size. The population density for the category of informal settlements is 14246 per km<sup>2</sup> or 100 ha.

Maqboolpura, are often excluded from formal planning processes, resulting in spatial exclusion from basic services and benefits". This is left hanging it doesn't quite fit in on the paragraph and must be rephrased.

"This study focuses on Maqboolpura, a community in Punjab that represents the struggle against crime's influence. Gang violence, drug trafficking, theft, prostitution, and human trafficking have built themselves into society's fabric, risking the safety of its citizens" Needs to be shorten to reduce tautology within the sentence as it stands it is too long.

The aim and objectives of the study are not clearly defined in the introduction.

## 1. Literature review

There's so much work that needs to be done on this part, there is enough information, however, it is not put together well to grab the reader's attention.

## 1. Method

This section needs to be reworked to give more details on the following things which are mentioned:

The writing style, the author used the data collectors' names whereas it would have been better not to mention any names.

Data analysis does not explain how data was analysed, what was used to analyse the data?? Software such as SPSS or Excel etc.

## 1. Discussion and findings

The discussion needs to be boosted a little.