

Review of: "CPTED for a Safe Basti: A Case of Nardan Camp"

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The aim and the reasons of/for the research are stimulating, and the method is interesting. The paper must robustly present the method and innovative aspects: Why use the CPTED method in that context and not other well-established, more complex methods? What does the CPTED method provide in which particular context/design process?

The "design" solutions appear oversimplified compared to methodological premises, the research aims, and the complexity of the context. The solutions presented (images prefiguring the public spaces) appear:

- _ poorly contextualized (some solutions seem a predefined catalog applicable everywhere);
- _ not resulting from a co-design and not fostering the self-construction and the local communities' management in implementation/management steps;
- the activities must be better developed to guarantee tangible positive benefits and long-term sustainability (particularly concerning management).

If the CPTED method presents original aspects, the article must investigate the governance of the process to guarantee the solutions implementation, direct/indirect benefits, long long-term success of the transformation and improvement of the informal city of Basti.

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The Social aspects must be addressed more deeply in a complexity frame: How do the proposed solutions benefit the local social challenges? How the solutions positively impact "criminality" (this concept remains vague in the paper).