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Rebuilding Communities Following Disasters and Conflict-Induced Mass Displacements

Message from the Guest Editors

Following a disaster and conflict-induced displacement, resettement and relocation are integral parts of the recovery process. The most popular aspect of the recovery process is addressing the physical needs of the displaced community which may vary from providing basic necessities such as food, water, sanitary facilities to new houses and infrastructure facilities. Based on that assumption, ways to determine the success of resettlement are discussed, however superficially in some of the literature (Sridarran, 2018). However, this process goes beyond addressing the physical needs of the communities. It also includes addressing socio-cultural, livelihood and economic aspects of their lives (Amaratunga et.al, 2020). Relocation and resettlement often introduces a new built environment for the displaced communities which changes the pattern of the interaction among the displaced community and also with the host community.

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