Gampaha Sustainable Urban Growth

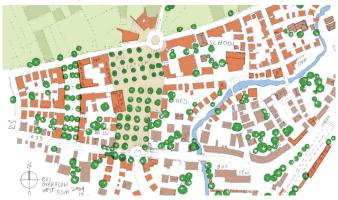


MASTERPLAN:



URBAN CORRIDOR: CKAH

OBLONG SQUARE:



FOOT BRIDGE: THIRD EXISTING TRACKS

LOCATION: Gampaha, Sri Lanka

CLIENT: SIDA

TYPE: Masterplanning

STATUS: Concept Planning Complete

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Financed by SIDA, the Swedish committee for international cooperation, Arken completed a project for the Sri Lankan Road Administration on how the town Gampaha could grow sustainable as a result of a new highway. Arken suggested growth along an urban corridor with focus on the railroad system.

The masterplan solved various problems e.g. where and how the ramps and exits to the motorway could be designed; where new urban areas could be located and how to integrate new housing and workplaces with the old structure. The project also contained some detail solutions organising bus stops and pedestrian routes.

This project demonstrated that the town types and value rose tools can be successfully used in Sri Lanka. This shows that these tools are a valuable contribution to other planning systems and cultural contexts. Working with local planners, we explored critical ideas on how the Gampaha area could be incrementally redeveloped in a sustainable manner.

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