

## **A STUDY FOR DIFFERENT METHODOLOGIES OF URBAN FARMING**

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**Abstract—** *The number of inhabitants in urban communities in India keeps on extending exponentially. It is anticipated that by 2050, 55% of Indians will live in urban territories. Conventional Agricultural Industry is tested to keep pace with this as it is evaluated that rural land limit can increment by 2% as it were. The idea of Urban Farming has picked up the genuine consideration of Planners and Academic people group in India. The joined issues of Population blast, quick urbanization and environmental change are posturing extraordinary risk to the Food Supply. Urban Farming supposedly has potential for urban areas to have in any event some measure of Food Security. Urban farming is a procedure of utilizing imaginative logical cultivating methods to create high return and high calibre of new natural nourishment in extremely restricted urban regions like porches and galleries, all year - round. It supposedly has numerous points of interest including non-reliance on impulses of Climate, utilization of reused water from Sewage and regarded Wet waste as fertilizer, nearness of makers to shoppers, decrease of carbon impressions and so forth. The Concept of Urban Vertical Farm has been around since the 80's yet the Urban Farming Industry isn't developing so quickly. The primary difficulties appear to be Economic feasibility and Sustainability There is as yet an absence of any complete information and know-how in the general population domain in regards to functional parts of Urban Farming. The Economic expenses and practicality for expansive scale urban Farming appears to be restrictive. Accordingly, up until this point, the urban cultivating industry has not developed much. In this paper, we examine into the Sustainability of UF, utilizing the SAFA measurements of Sustainability as reference. i.e. Ecological, Social, Economic and Institutional measurements. In this paper, we examine six effectively working urban homesteads, some are by people, some are co-agents and some are upheld by Institutions like government or different organizations and investigate their Sustainability Dimensions. This paper tries to think about these operational models of Urban Farms from the part of rehashing a similar model in different areas.*

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### **I. INTRODUCTION**

Porch gardens and cultivating in urbanized regions are as old as Babylon. In any case, today Urban Greening and Urban Farming has gained another importance because of the present pattern of quick urbanization around the globe.

In India, the offer of urban populace was only 30% of every 2010, A report by UNDP gauges that this will ascend to 40% out of 2030 and more than half by 2045. The urban populace in India is set to increment from the current 3.5 billion to more than 6 billion by 2050\*Areas under development increment by only a miniscule 2% every year in contrast with the Urban development.

The consolidated issues of populace blast, fast urbanization and environmental change are representing an incredible danger to sustenance supply. The Farmer populace has diminished and different components add to the poor yield of existing Farmlands. The adolescent are taking to non-agrarian occupations and work in non - rural parts. Therefore the Urbanizing people group are gone up against with urban development, evolving ways of life and nourishment security issues .

The urban populace living and utilized in urban areas needs to source their nourishment supply from the market. As much as 70% of their salary must be spent on purchasing sustenance. Therefore they are helpless against the changes in the market costs. To help this defenseless populace is an incredible test for urban Governance. In numerous parts, it is seen that the urban poor are using empty plots in the city to develop vegetables to improve their wage also. India, being a horticultural nation, urban cultivating has been a conventional movement at family unit level which has its birthplace in family unit kitchen-squander administration. In this manner we see extraordinary potential for cultivating lies just beneath the surface! Urban ranchers approach information, developing innovation, and research in farming. Numerous have done very effective examinations in developing products of the soil under most obliged urban conditions. They have turned into the light - bearers and instruct by case their strategies to develop most extreme yield from least space accessible.[1]

Give us a chance to ponder a portion of the extremely effective urban cultivating activities by learned people in our own nation with a view let their encounters manage us to decide the key standards required for progress and maintainability of Urban Farming. Keeping in mind the end goal to get a more all encompassing comprehension of elements engaged with maintainability of Urban Farming as an apparatus for Urban improvement, we utilize the essential SAFA display which characterizes four mainstays of manageability to be specific - financial versatility, natural uprightness, social prossemity and great administration. As we adjust the issues of UA in India with these four columns, we can check whether they bolster the selection of Urban Agriculture on a full scale for Sustainable Urban Development.[2]

## **II. EXAMPLES OF OVERCOMING ADVERSITY IN URBAN FARMING**

Urban Farming exercises in urban and semi urban neighborhoods are making critical commitments to managing and circulation of information inside the group of training. There are additionally different advantages from them, for example, group building, administration of green spaces, biological system benefit arrangement, including change of neighborhood atmosphere Biodiversity and social administrations .Let us contemplate a portion of the extremely effective urban cultivating activities taken up by learned people in our own urban areas with a view let their encounters manage us to decide the key standards required for progress and supportability of Urban Farming. [3]We have chosen two individual Farmers, two willful cultivating groups and two gatherings of business ranchers for our examination.

A. Case investigation 1: Green porches rooftop top, Kerala Vegetable cultivating by group of rancher arrive in Kerala remains water logged for the greater part of the year. Thus vegetable costs went high. The Kerala state division of agriculture has stepped up with regards to advancing rooftop top development of vegetables in urban and also Semi-urban regions. Vegetable activities for urban groups: they utilize develop sacks to develop cauliflower, tomato, bottle gourd, intense gourd and so forth on porches and on sticks, shafts as well. The agriculturists get preparing from the state office who have shown them to develop vegetables on patios, sticks and posts as well. They develop cowpea and cucumber as well. Two Farmer Interest Groups (FIG) having 25 individuals each in semi-urban territories have enlisted under the organizations demonstration and furthermore under Vegetable and Fruit Promotion Council of Kerala. The VFPCCK has set up a market and the urban agriculturists can offer their create at a decent cost. The semi-urban agriculturists are content with the plan.

B. Contextual investigation 2: Networks of ranchers, Kerala on a bustling street, in the midst of tall structures, in religious community street of Ernakulam, Kerala, develops the porch cultivate (sustained by 70-year old ARS Vadhyar, a structural architect). It has 3 coconut trees, 35 banana trees, papaya, guava, chickoo, grapes, pumpkins, powder gourd, wind gourd, intense gourd, okra, tomato and numerous more vegetables. All on only 1500 sq.ft. of porch. The individuals who take up patio cultivating are not normal ranchers, but rather experts like architects, specialists, representatives of open and private areas. Senior subjects, ladies home producers and even understudies. "Each region in Kerala has at least 20,000 rooftop top cultivators." says K. Prathapan, Director, State Horticulture Mission. The fundamental explanation behind this pattern is developing wellbeing cognizance and dread of devouring tainted nourishments [4].The online networking has assumed an essential part in supporting the natural porch cultivating development. Gatherings, for example, Kitchen cultivate, Krishi bhoomi and so on share information among individuals. They got together and sorted out a 3-day display cum preparing workshop on natural porch cultivating. Such activities have created mindfulness among individuals likewise educated about government endowments, innovation exchanges and plans.

C. Contextual investigation 3: Garden city Farmers Trust, Bengaluru, this is a dedicated gathering of erudite people driving an exceptionally fruitful development in Bengaluru to urge natives to take up natural porch cultivating. The Trust is overseen by a gathering of nine individuals. Almost 10,000 individuals have officially handed ranchers over Bengaluru city. The gathering is presently attempting to raise the assets for appropriating of creepers in city ghettos, where individuals are denied of clean sustenance and air. It plans to bring back the green guidelines that the city was known for before the IT division insurgency. Dr. V. Kadur, establishing father clarifies there is in no way like 100% yield in agribusiness. 15-20% is constantly lost to bugs and winged animals. We need to figure out how to live with creepy crawlies and other miniaturized scale life forms and go ORGANIC. Else we might be for all time harm the eco-framework. Proverb "Eat what you develop and develop what you eat." They have been propelling nationals to change over every single accessible space in and around their homes into green, palatable patches. The exertion is gradually snow-balling, with numerous such gatherings greening empty plots in the city.

D. Contextual analysis 4: Roof Top Revolution in Sakthikulangara, Kerala S.K., an ocean side neighborhood civil organization is a town well known for angling and fishery related exercises. The dirt there is profoundly acidic and unfit for development of any sort. Farming held no guarantee [5]. Presently this is a thing of past. The activity of Anthony John has changed this fruitless territory into a center point of another garden unrest. Every family is urged to deliver new, clean natural vegetables. Anthony John's equation: Development medium: treated coir essence, bio-singe 95% and nearby soil 5% [6, 7]. Major of seeds in PVC directs split length-wise down the middle, kept in stacks. Water system: trickle strategy utilizing a clock programmed Compost: by changing over his own kitchen squander and other bio-squander for which he grew ease vigorous bio-treating the soil unit. Ooze(activated compost tea): the fluid which overflows one of the junk is enhanced with bio-manure and well disposed organisms and the fluid is splashed on the plants. Additionally weakened ocean water is utilized for giving basic supplements. He is exceptionally fruitful in developing an assortment of vegetables, lettuce, kale, tomato, brinjal and cabbage and so forth. What's more, now he is a good example for porch cultivating all finished Kerala as well.

E. Contextual analysis 5: Urban leaves in Mumbai blooming on a solid scenery Populace in city of Mumbai has expanded 12 times over in the previous century. In such swarmed conditions u/an appears to be probably not going to be tried, since it must contend with land advancements for access to and utilization of empty grounds. In any case, dr. doshi's city cultivating techniques are progressive. In his porch of 1200 sq.ft., dr. doshi has developed organic product, for example, mangos, guavas, figs and so on his technique for utilizing sugarcane waste, fertilizer and garden soil in poly sacks, tires, drums and so on. his arrangement expends the whole family unit waste and makes his family independent in arrangement sustenance 5kg. what's more, delivered every day for 300days in year. [9]Urban leaves is a group strengthening projects of vidya vaardhi trust which has come dazzling route in creating skins and procedures of urban cultivating. Preeti patil, has for a long time, regulated the cooking for a huge number of representatives at Mumbai port trust. The huge wet-squander created was being trucked away until dr. r.t. dodhi propelled her to change the loss into an asset. Putting to utilize the patio over the kitchen, preeti has utilized "amrit mitti" a supplement rich soil alongside pounded kitchen squander and delivered a wealth of organic product, vegetables and greens. The development, started in 2009 has developed hugely and urban leaves now directs learning sessions, supports development of new comparative group of urban agriculturists. Routinely has offer of natural vegetables in various parts of the city.

F. Contextual investigation 6: Growing vegetables on trash dumps in East Calcutta [8] Calcutta, India, has some of the most outstanding squander into-cultivating frameworks on the planet. At Calcutta's primary trash dumping site, the city organization rents around 800 hectares of more established dump plots with rich fertilizer for escalated cultivating. Little agriculturists and cooperatives deliver 150 to 300 tons every day of up to 25 assortments of vegetables which bring high costs in Calcutta. The serious cultivating creates work for around 20,000 adolescents, men and ladies. The site comprises of fingers of strong land bulging into a progression of tidal ponds east of the city. The fields are served by unpaved streets. Agriculturists give their own security by pivoting night-watch obligation. The cultivating framework is work serious, including hand-conveyed water system water. Inorganic materials are expelled from the junk by a casual reusing industry before the waste gets to the landfill site. The staying natural waste is rich in supplements, and no substance inputs utilized. This customary cultivating produces safe sustenance and is earth feasible. Offer of the deliver is to go between at the ranch entryway and direct deal at downtown area markets. Lease is paid to thika occupants, or landowners, who rent substantial tracts from the Calcutta Municipal Council. The West Bengal State Department of Agriculture gives checking and tests to nourishment wellbeing.

### **Manageable Development Models**

A. A look at the meaning of Sustainability "Manageable improvement implies guaranteeing stately living conditions as to human rights by making and keeping up a largest conceivable scope of choices for openly characterizing life designs. The standard of reasonableness between the present and future ages ought to be considered tin the utilization of natural, monetary and social assets. Placing supportability into training involves extensive assurance of bio-assorted variety regarding eco-frameworks species and hereditary decent variety, which are all key establishments of life." [10]. At the end of the day, we may express that manageability is a nonstop "decent Life" that is a blend of High level of Human prossemity joined with an abnormal state of eco-framework prossemity that backings it [10]. The human populace while hurrying towards advance in the twentieth century had overlooked that with the end goal for Man to survive, we have to keep up the eco framework which bolsters us. With the goal for man to survive, we have to adjust to nature and not visa-versa.

B. Models of supportability Development of Models enables us to comprehend the ideas of supportability to better. Three Pillars Basic Model has three imperative measurements which are reliant and together they make for maintainability Environmental Dimension, Economic Dimension, Social measurement.



Fig.1 Three pillar basic model

#### **IV .URBAN FARMING-OPPORTUNITIES AND CHALLENGES**

An examination has been made of different sources, including sentiments voiced by honing Urban Farmers to outline beneath the fundamental Benefits and Challenges, openings and requirements postured for executing Urban Agriculture with regards to Indian urban areas. It is arranged to line up with the four mainstays of Sustainability.

##### **A. Urban Farming – Opportunities**

Urban Farming, in spite of the fact that it gives off an impression of being straightforward, impacts a group in different ways. Gives Food security, ecological advantages, biodiversity, even the city frame gets adjusted, city-inhabitants get socially cognizant and actuated [12]. Natural Integrity. Enhanced Waste administration: The most essential advantage of UA is its capability to use the natural squanders delivered by the city. It adds to characteristic asset protections. It can hand squander from an issue over to an asset. It lessens people in general cost of transportation and administration of waste. The assets spared can be better used for more productive projects of urban courtesies. As the private divisions gets engaged with UA, natives can make cleaner and better living condition particularly in regions not getting waste administration benefit from Municipal companies. [11] Most urban communities today confront intense issues in discovering place for dumping waste bringing about air water and land contamination in urban communities and in bio locales. Cases of Ramsey site bio locale Deepor Beel in Guwahati enormously irritated because of dumping of waste. Deonar in Mumbai is likewise a dumping ground, contaminated the city when it burst into flames. Squander water and strong waste frameworks are exorbitant for city organization and yet they don't have ability to benefit the whole downtown area. Urban cultivating adds to this procedure by a) delivering crops forever stock utilization, b) by fertilizing the soil wet waste and c) preparing waste water for coordinate creation and for water system.

Preservation of assets: UA helps the protection of bio areas and their assets by diminishing the strain to change over deserts, mountain slants and rain woods into cropland. Since Urban Agriculture strategies are concentrated, and yield from UA is assessed to be more than six times that of rustic production. UA likewise utilizes next to no water because of imaginative water system frameworks (trickle water system, aeroponic development). Recharging of soil supplements: Composting of natural squanders returns the supplements to the dirt. There is no pollution of soil and water bodies. Critical environmental, monetary and medical advantages in this way gather.

Upgrade of Bio Diversity: By greening the city, UA gives scope for Bio assorted variety of vegetation, winged creatures, and come back to their natural surroundings. Numerous assortments of vegetables which have quit being delivered can be revived. UA enhances the city, directs the Microclimate and making it agreeable for living.

Fiasco moderation: This advantage of UA is maybe minimum refreshing and slightest comprehended, for instance, on soak inclines, surge fields, wet terrains and other calamity inclined regions, trees and plantations and attractive grasses, for example, vetiver can be planted They are great for diminishing disintegration and defenselessness to fiascos.

Monetary Resilience. UA can give salary creating movement to individuals with low abilities and minimal capital and also for individuals with little portability incorporating ladies with youngsters and matured people.

More grounded economy base. UA puts unused land to use by paying aggressive lease or surface reuse and keeps up the land in great condition for the proprietor. Cost and vitality investment funds.

In pressing, stockpiling, refrigeration, and transportation of sustenance, by decreasing nourishment miles. Contamination and ozone depleting substances are diminished. Carbon impressions are diminished.

Included Income age

Work age

Venture advancement

Degree for Marketing Enterprises

Social Wellbeing. Enhanced sustenance security, nourishment and wellbeing for urban poor and underestimated people. The locus of destitution is quick moving from provincial to urban territories. The poorest family unit burns through 60-90% on nourishment & face hunger accordingly. U/a can contribute altogether to battle hunger and unhealthiness. Self-generation and deal increment the sustenance security of the poor by making it conceivable to acquire nourishment they couldn't generally bear the cost of amid fiscally terrible circumstances u/an adds to the wellbeing & wellbeing of a group by lessening hunger, enhancing sustenance and enhancing ecological conditions that impact wellbeing cleans and greens nature decreases contamination and malady causing pathogens in the earth. Enables the Urban People, expanding group support, checking social distress. It upgrades ladies' control over sustenance development [13]. By physically cultivating for sustenance, the more youthful age can figure out how to value the earth, and the life cycle of the vegetables. Urban ranches additionally are a demonstrated powerful instructive device to show kids about good dieting and significant physical movement

Great Governance. Shutting the Ecological Loops: The importation of Food from rustic territories and exportation of Wastes to districts outside the city is the standard for City Governances (open circle). In any case, UA shuts the circle. In India, urban farming is simply seeing the start with piecemeal endeavors made in a couple of urban areas. Be that as it may, in the viewpoint of developing populace and developing nourishment shortage sooner rather than later, it can be available in each city as an 'asset preserving industry'. It takes away a city's squanders and changes over them into assets. It makes a different biology where organic product trees, vegetable estates and fishes could exist together with manufactured environment– an entirely naturally feasible situation. Reviews propose that right around 50 percent of vegetables can be treated the soil natural excrement to help deliver vegetables and organic product trees.

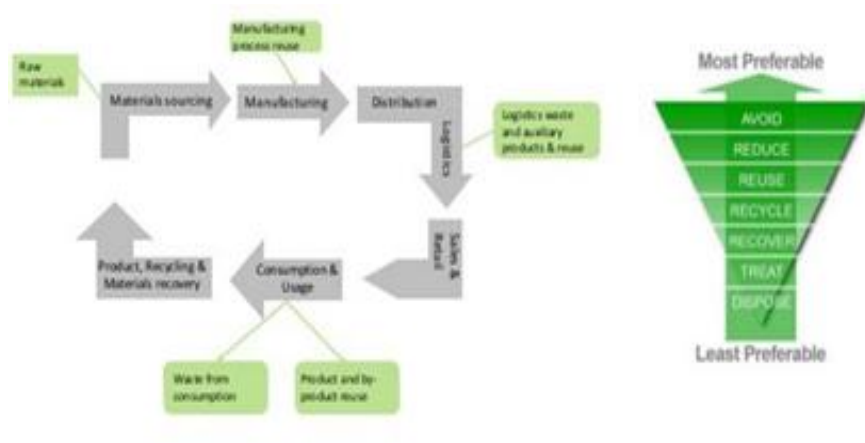


Fig.2 . Key principles of closed loop environment

## B. Urban Farming-Challenges

Little could be found in the scholarly writing which would denounce UA everywhere and advocate its boycott under any frame. Yet, the civil argument is probably going to warm up as UA practice and approach develop in scale and in many-sided quality in the following decades, in this way influencing interests in altogether different and substantial ways[14]

### **Natural measurements**

In spite of the fact that reviews have exhibited enhanced air quality in urban zones identified with the multiplication of urban patio nurseries, it has additionally been demonstrated that expanding urban contamination (related particularly to a sharp ascent in the quantity of cars out and about), has prompted an expansion in creepy crawly bothers, which expend plants delivered by urban agribusiness. Studies show that the wholesome nature of wheat endures when urban wheat plants are presented to high nitrogen dioxide and sulfur dioxide focuses. This issue is especially intense in the creating scene, where open air convergences of sulfur dioxide are high and expansive rates of the populace depend upon urban horticulture as an essential wellspring of sustenance[15]. Farming exercises ashore that is sullied (with so much metals as lead) posture potential dangers to human wellbeing. These dangers are related both with working specifically on polluted land and with devouring sustenance that was developed in debased soil. On account of the undervaluation of UA and firm rivalry for arrive, UA is frequently pushed back to minor regions inside the city, for example, wetlands and slope inclines, where it might hurt the delicate biological systems if not legitimately guided

### **Social measurements**

UA is a highly work escalated movement requiring devoted hours of work

The required Farming data sources are not accessible in fitting amount and time

There is Lack of learning of standard practices for natural cultivating.

The usage of untreated waste water for urban horticultural water system can encourage the spread of waterborne infections among the human populace.

### **Financial measurements**

The UA up-and downstream consequences for whatever remains of the urban economy has not been measured. UA requires sources of info and HR for fencing, trim administration, stockpiling, transportation and handling (processing, cooling, drying, cooking, bundling).

Space is at a premium in urban communities and is as needs be costly and hard to secure.

Government arrangements

Apportioning gardens are viewed as a relic of a past semiod. Radical arrangement changes and unwinding of greenhouses security rules are required.

Cases of previous proprietors of the allocated lands. Apportioning gardens seen as hostile to urban advancement. Cost of the farmlands found near the downtown areas contend with land.

An essential finding is that a dominant part of the fruitful Urban Farmers advocate that Urban Farming ought to stay at little scale just with the goal that market contemplations don't abrogate the ecological advantages. e.g. biodiversity in vegetables and natural products.[16]

## **III. CONCLUSIONS**

It can be securely finished up from all the above talks that Urban cultivating can be taken up as a vital device for Urban improvement. Urban cultivating can assume a fundamental part in building stronger and bearable urban communities.

### **Financial contemplations**

Individuals' employments must be at the focal point of any discourse about maintainability and rolling out improvements. At a most fundamental level the need to accommodate oneself and one's family is a noteworthy driver of conduct. We should have the capacity to perceive this strain between here and now business choices and long haul maintainability objectives for the city and produce a way that works with individuals' have to accommodate their families, yet does as such in an ecologically and socially cognizant and feasible way.

### **Social Considerations**

Urban Farming in its beginning stages in Indian urban areas is described by a high level of polished skill with a structured learning exchange and development rehearse. It obviously speaks to a projection surface, mirroring the group's naturally cognizant conduct. Advancement of UA exercises in local locations make a noteworthy commitment to supporting and dispersing information inside the group of training. It is likewise credited to other bigger advantages, for example, group building, administration of green spaces and biological system benefit arrangement, including nearby atmosphere, biodiversity and social administrations. Numerous associations, for instance in Mumbai, Bangaluru and Kerala are spreading learning of consequences of their own examination in Urban Farming reasonable for their own particular region to the groups. This is achieving an adjustment in mentality and an affectability towards the earth, Social prosemity collects.

### **Ecological Considerations**

Shutting The Loop, Sustainance of the earth and holding Bio decent variety is of most extreme significance for a city to stay alive Piling up of waste, soil disintegration, obliteration of vegetation, exhaustion of water bodies, contamination of assets are the enemies of urban areas. Urban communities have an opportunity to turn the patterns to make their city practical. Urban cultivating is an imperative device for supportability. Shutting the circle is where in all waste is changed over into assets and used in a consistent shut circle.

### **Squander Management and Sewage administration**

The three R's of Waste Management, Reduce, Re-Use and Re cycle must be tried at neighborhood levels. Manure from wet waste, and reused water from Sewage can be completely used by the city in Urban Farming in a CLOSED LOOP. Finish independence regarding Food creation may not be conceivable and nor perfect, but rather boosting the usage of Waste is of crucial significance for the Environment in the City.

### **Planning contemplations**

Inspite of its appearing effortless, in any case, urban farming does not simply happen. To encourage the advancement and development of urban farming, the city organizers may need to consider executing systems that incorporate zoning laws, far reaching designs and, at times, state enactment

### **Land-utilize**

- Urban horticulture and sustenance generation frameworks if considered alongside arrive utilize designs, a far reaching thought of Urban Agriculture and insurance of Environment can be made.
- Identification of land for urban agribusiness;
- Major water bodies and boggy terrains ought not to be topped off
- Waste terrains can be utilized for tree estate and urban cultivating;
- Agricultural arrive inside metropolitan region is to be secured under the arrangements of Town and Country Planning Acts;
- Underutilized zones on long banks of waterways or trenches can be created for urban-agro ranger service including parks and garden at places;
- Planting organic product trees in the fringe of existing city parks, can create business and city pay for keeping up of parks and other such zones;
- New townships and lodging domains should consolidate city cultivating, Cultivation, and so on; from the arranging stage itself;
- Derelict arrive, relinquished block fields and different regions close businesses ought to have an environmental reclamation program influencing it to some portion of the Arranging condition while giving consent;
- Revitalization of waterways will empower aquaculture and fish creation;
- Garbage dumping destinations and sewage fields can take the case of east Kolkata, where as of now individuals are creating considerable vegetables and fish through pisciculture and cultivating.

Therefore we see that urban cultivating can assume an essential part in building versatile, feasible, decent urban areas.

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