Characteristics of successful interventions in civic infrastructure and amenities

A Rapid Evidence Summary







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Evidence Summary Questions





Review Questions:

- How effective are interventions which seek to improve access and quality of civic infrastructure and amenities?
- What are the key characteristics of successful interventions in urban areas?

Objectives:

- Creation of evidence map of interventions in infrastructure sectors
- Identification of key characteristics of successful interventions



Background

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- Millennium Development Goals 2000
 - Improvement of civic infrastructure received special attention

Goal 7 – ENSURE ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

Target 10 - "Halve, by 2025, the proportion of people without sustainable access to safe drinking water and basic sanitation"

Target 12 - "Have achieved by 2020 a significant improvement in the lives of at least 100 million slum dwellers"

Sustainable Development Goals further increased the emphasis on civic infrastructure and amenities

Goal 6

• Ensure availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all

Goal 9

• Build resilient infrastructure, promote sustainable industrialization and foster innovation

Goal 11

 Make cities inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable

Background



- Governments have implemented interventions to improve the provision of infrastructure
- Impact evaluation and other quasi experimental studies have been carried out to evaluate the effectiveness of these interventions
- Evidence Synthesis Systematic Reviews and Evidence Summaries of the primary studies have lead to useful findings for policy makers

Key Question

• To what extent these programmes/interventions delivered the intended and expected outcomes in access and quality in civic infrastructure provision

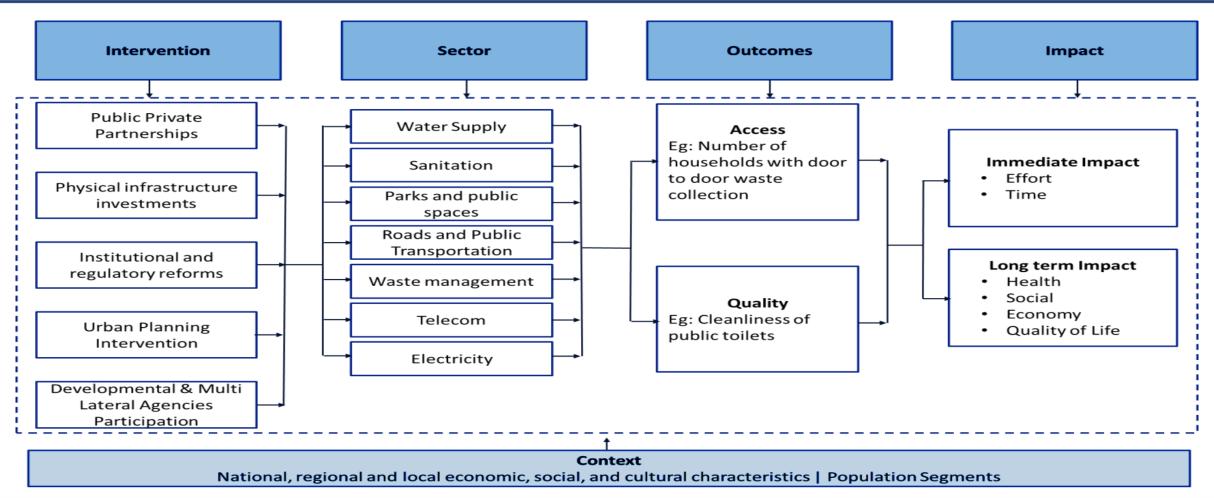




Conceptual Framework





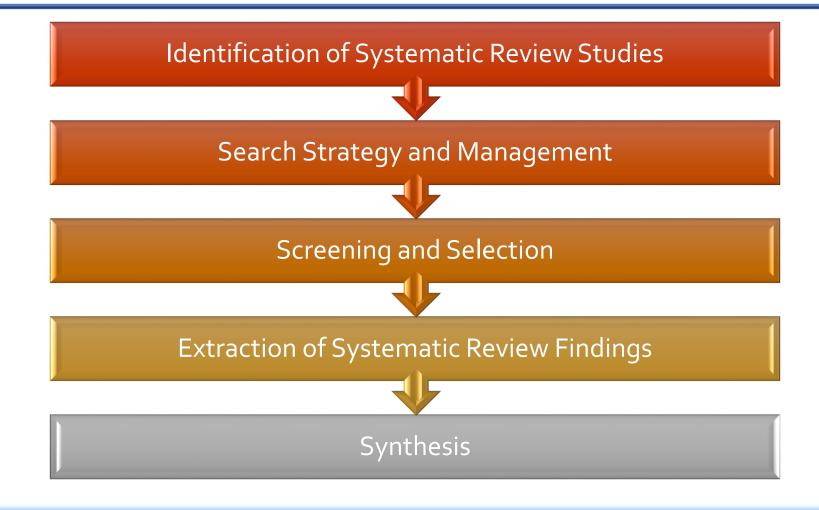




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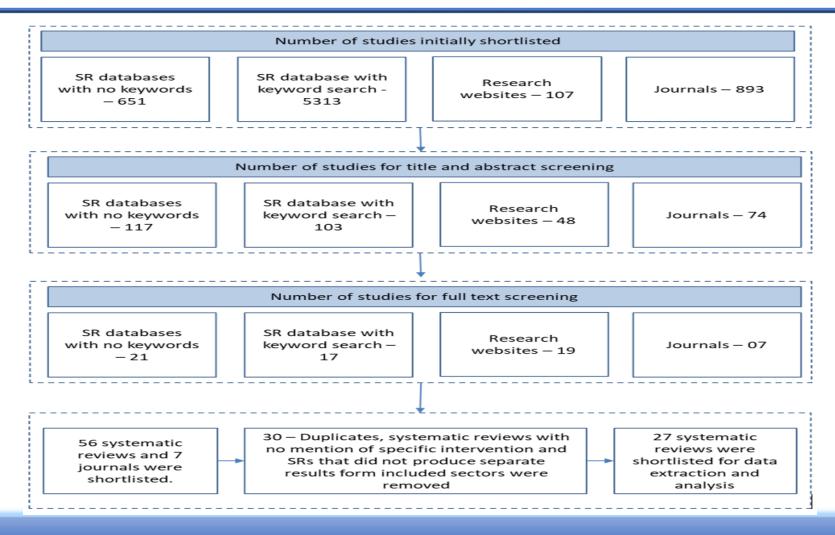














Evidence Base for the Summary





Sector	Number of SRs	Percentage of	Outcomes Synthesized (No. of SRs)						
		total	Access	Quality					
Water Supply	19	70%	12	16					
Sanitation	8	30%	6	7					
Electricity	6	22%	6	4					
Road	4	15%	4	1					
Telecom	3	11%	3	3					
Combined Infrastructure Sectors	3	11%	3	2					
Public Transportation	1	4%	1	1					
Total number of Systematic Reviews	27								





Intervention category	Number of SRs	Outcomes Synthesized (No. of Studies)						
	SK3	Access	Quality					
Physical infrastructure creation	19	11	16					
Urban planning intervention	7	5	5					
Institutional and regulatory reforms	6	6	5					
Public private partnerships	5	5	4					
Community and Non-Governmental Organisation based intervention	3	3	3					
Participation by Developmental and Multilateral Agencies	1	1	1					





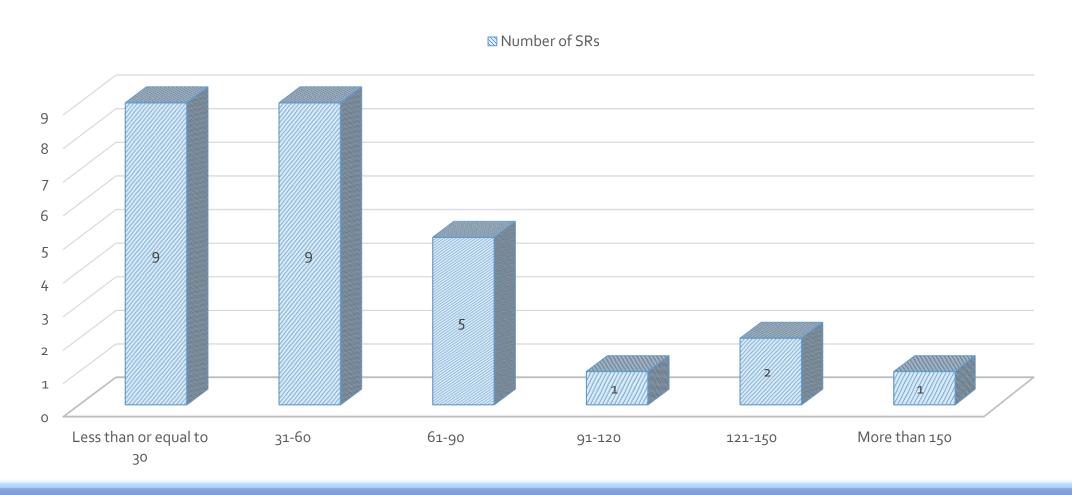
Regions	Number of SRs	Percentage of total
Asia	22	81%
Africa	20	74%
South America	12	44%
Central and North America	8	30%
Eastern Europe	5	19%
Oceania	5	19%
Total number of studies	27	

When SRs synthesized evidence from multiple regions, it was counted for each region

Year of Publishing	Number of SRs
2000-2004	1
2005-2008	3
2009-2012	11
2013-2016	12











Range of SR (number of years that constituted the evidence base)	Number of SRs
Less than or equal to 10	3
11-20	7
21-30	6
31-40	8
Greater than 40	3

Quantile based on QAT score	No. of SRs	QAT Score range
1	2	115-106
2	11	105-96
3	7	95-86
4	2	85-76
5	5	75-66
Average Score		91
Maximum		114
Minimum		69



Results and Findings





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Summary of Evidence



- Water sector
 - Intervention studied widely: Physical infrastructure investment
 - Positive effect on affordability and health with the adoption of physical infrastructure interventions
- Sanitation sector
 - Interventions studied widely: Physical infrastructure investment and urban planning
 - Positive effect on connectivity and product quality, and the impact on health has been mixed with the adoption of physical infrastructure interventions
 - Positive to mixed effect on connectivity, mixed access parameters, product quality and health with the adoption of urban planning interventions
- Electricity sector
 - Intervention studied widely: Physical infrastructure investment, and institutional and regulatory reform
 - Positive effect on connectivity and service quality and mixed effect on affordability with physical investments in infrastructure
 - Positive effect on affordability and mixed effect on connectivity and quality related parameters with institutional and regulatory reform





- Road and public transportation
 - Intervention studied widely: Physical infrastructure investment and urban planning
 - Physical infrastructure investments: Positive effect on access and economy, education and quality of life
 - Divided evidence on effect of urban planning on outcomes parameters like connectivity, product quality as well as impact on health and education

Telecom

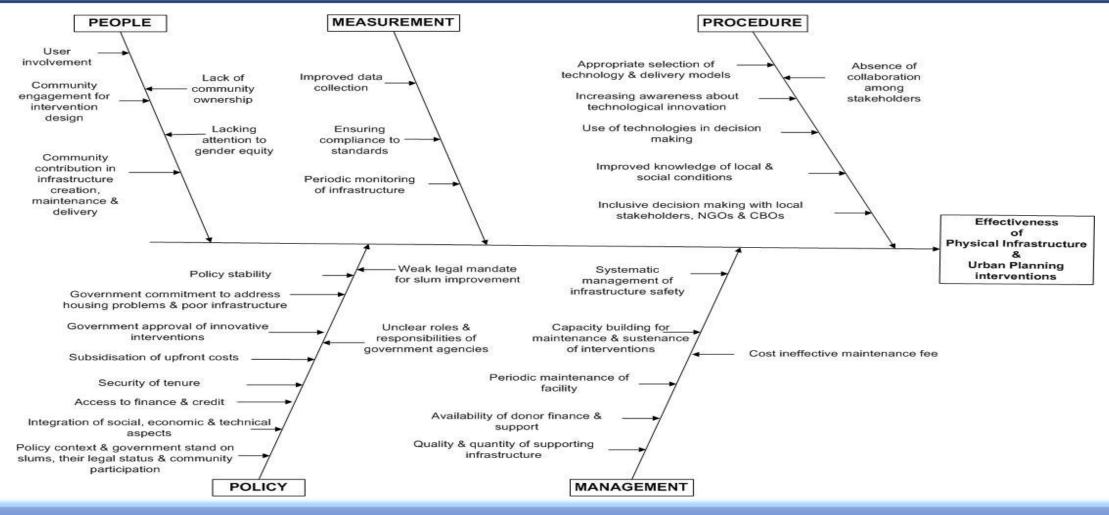
- Public private partnerships and privatization initiatives leads to positive effect on connectivity
- Institutional and regulatory interventions has positive effect on access parameters
- Positive effect on economy and quality of life with physical infrastructure intervention



Characteristics of successful interventions

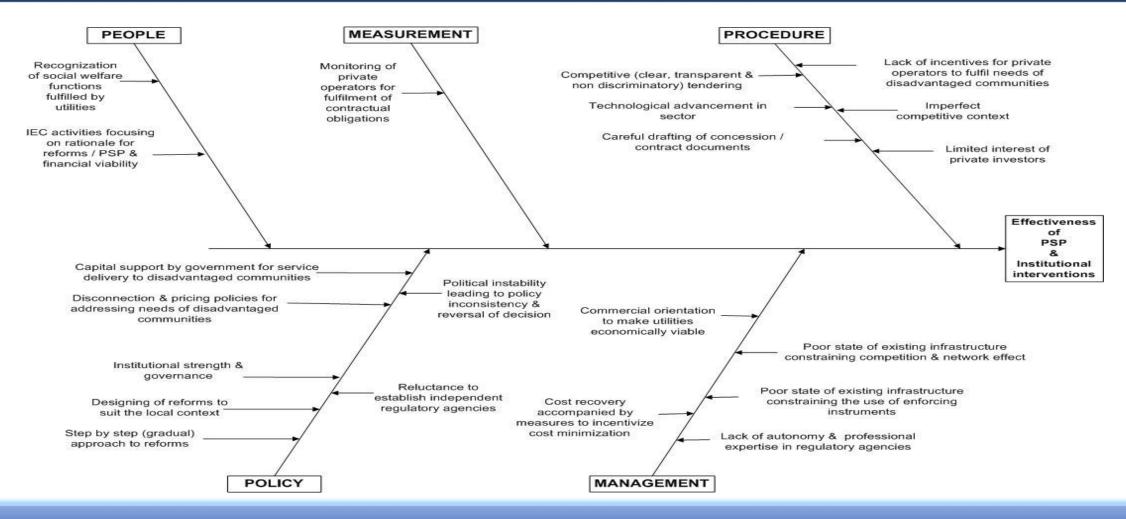






Private sector participation and Institutional reform





Summary of Characteristics of Successful Interventions



- Physical infrastructure and urban planning interventions
 - Necessary to involve user/community right from the stage of intervention design to implementation
 - Policy content should focus on security of tenure for slum dwellers, targeted subsidies to cover connection costs and upgradation of slums
 - Efforts towards asset management and recognition of upstream and downstream linkages of network infrastructure
- Private sector participation, institutional and regulatory reforms, social monitoring and multilateral and developmental organizations
 - Reform implementation should be gradual with recognition of social welfare functions performed by utilities and protection of interests of the urban poor
 - Procurement process should showcase elements like transparent bidding process and well defined performance parameters
 - Utilities should balance demanding priorities social, political, economic and administrative alongwith cost recovery and professional management of service delivery process



Implications

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- Commission additional systematic reviews on sectors like sanitation, electricity, road, telecom and public transportation
- Forthcoming systematic reviews should analyze
 - Outcomes (immediate effect) but also impacts (long term effects)
 - Effect of reforms on "quality" as well along with the "access" parameters
 - Effect of interventions in systematic reviews from the lens of social (urban, rural, slum and low incomes) and lifecycle (girls, children and adults) segments
- Design of successful interventions
 - Urban planning and physical infrastructure investment reforms
 - Involvement of users / community
 - Protecting interests of poor section of society
 - Private sector participation and institutional & regulatory reforms
 - Reorienting the focus from "access" to "quality" as well as "provider" to "manager" of urban services

Thank you





