

... Indeed, starting in the 1990s, Algeria launched a series of social programs aimed at reducing rural poverty and stopping rural exodus, which led to an apparent stabilization but did not slow the impact of rapid urbanization. Despite the success in reducing rural movements, urban demography has increased at an alarming rate, and urban management has become and remains a challenge. The adoption of a national platform for planning and sustainable development was therefore necessary, and several operators were set up to meet the challenge of social housing and urban upgrade within a sustainable development framework. ...

... The sensitive lands, including the coastal areas and the fertile plains, have been monitored using specific schemes such as the development and management scheme for the coast and the national scheme to combat desertification. However, the absence of strategic top-down guidance has led to a disregard for regulations and rendered these approaches inefficient for controlling "downstream" changes, such as those that occur in cities. This has led to an increase in the population around big cities with diffuse urban sprawl surrounded by informal housing. ...

... for two decadal periods (2001-2011 and 2011-2020) for cities in the continental U.S., based on spatial projections of population and urban areas. In Algeria, only a few studies have assessed the impact of urban surface expansion, and most either targeted the legal instruments in the fields of urbanism and land-use planning, which have an important impact on space in the city and its environment, and the lack of directives based on the actual reality, or they were specific case studies that focused on deciphering the evolution processes of newly urbanized spaces and the mechanisms of their production within urban agglomerations ...

Activities

1- Answer the following question :

- a) What is the main idea of each quote ?
- b) What do the social programs led for ?
- c) What's the solution suggested for urban demography and urban management ?
- d) What's the risk that threat the coast areas ?

- e) What does the downstream cause in ?
- f) What do the Algerian conducted studies evaluate ?
- g) What do they target ?
- h) What do the specific case studies focus on ?

2- True and False :

- a) The social program succeeded in slowing the impact of rapid urbanization.
- b) Urban management is an easy process to be done.
- c) The state puts a specific schemes for the sensitive areas.
- d) The regulations concerning the national scheme were well followed and applied.
- e) The Algerian state takes huge interest for the influence of the urban surface expansion.
- f) the legal instruments affects heavily the space in the city and its environment.

3- Give the synonyms from the text:

Program =

Systems =

Evaluate =

Spread =

Activity =

Law =

Method / style =

Absence =