The Social Dimensions Of Development: Social Policy And Planning In The Third World

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Addressing the social dimensions of development in the context of Bank-supported operations may involve analytical work undertaken through one or more of the following instruments: (1) upstream macro-social analysis, undertaken by the Bank as inputs into the Country Assistance Strategy (CAS), or to support policy formulation and sector strategies (2). Understanding the social world in which the Bank's investment projects operate is critical to any effort to reduce poverty. The Bank undertakes social analysis in connection with its lending program in order to determine the suitability of the program for Bank financing.
Does urban social policy and planning provide an alter-native framework? The last decade has seen both the project-ization of assistance, targeted in a highly sectoral manner, as well as increases in programme lending to financial institutions concerned with the â€œmanagementâ€ of cities. Are these the most efficient and effective ways of dealing with poverty reduction? Is a broader institutional framework, and one that includes a social perspective, required?Â B. Hardiman, M. and J. Midgley (1982), The Social Dimensions of Development: Social Policy and Planning in the Third World, John Wiley, Chichester, page 20. Historically, definitions of social policy have varied, depend-ing on whether defined in sectoral or holistic terms. Heinemann, 1981; Social Security, Inequality and the Third World, Wiley, 1984; Comparative Social Policy and the Third World, Harvester, 1987 (with Stewart MacPherson); The Social Dimensions of Development: Social Policy and Planning in the Third World, Gower, 1989 (with Margaret Hardiman); Social Development: The Developmental Perspective in Social Welfare, Sage, 1995; Social Welfare in Global Context, Sage, 1997; Social. Policy for Development, Sage, 2004 (with Anthony Hall) and Social Development: Theory and Practice, Sage, 2014. In addition, he has edited or co-edited many books on interna Militarization and social development in the Third World - SAGE Journals. the third world war. two issues are intimately interwoven, the planet affects all of us directly.Â Introduction Although few would suggest that absolute equality is likely in the real world, social inequality is important because it has been linked to important policy questions such as poverty, political conflict and differentials in fertility and mortality (Wood & Magno de Carvalho 1988: 184; Murdoch 1980: 68-69; Pampel & Williamson 1989; Boswell & Dixon 1990). Social inequality is therefore one of the more pressing questions posed by development studies.