

Post-national Urbanism: 'Ordinary' People, Capital and the State

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Abstract

The processes of new urbanism in India provide a fruitful entry into an understanding of changing relations between the state, citizens and private capital. These processes also provide a more complicated picture of the nature of the state itself. It emerges as an entity that is *part* of the informality and impropriety it seeks to banish as well as set itself apart from. This paper explores the ways in which an understanding of relationships between contemporary urban developments, consumer cultures and new forms of subjectivity provide an entry into the making of a 'new' India.