

A LEGAL ANALYSIS IN IMPLEMENTATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL STANDARDS RELATED TO SEWER DISPOSAL IN URBAN AREAS IN SOUTHERN PROVINCE IN SRI LANKA.

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ABSTRACT

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The implementation of effective environmental standards for sewer disposal is crucial for maintaining sustainable urban development and safeguarding public health. Even the Environment law is sturdy in Sri Lankan scenario; there are visible insufficiencies in real-world pragmatism. The research aims to examine the existing legal framework governing sewer disposal practices in the Southern Province and assess its effectiveness in ensuring compliance with environmental standards. It further investigates the challenges faced by relevant stakeholders, including regulatory authorities, local government bodies, and urban residents, in adhering to these standards. To accomplish the research objectives, a combination of qualitative and quantitative research methods will be employed in an empirical manner. Primary data will be gathered from relevant legal documents, reports, and scholarly articles and those will be complemented with the data collected through interviews, surveys, and field observations. Data analysis will involve a comprehensive review of the legal provisions, their application, and any gaps or inconsistencies that hinder effective implementation. The research findings will provide insights into the strengths and drawbacks of the current legal framework concerning sewer disposal in the Southern Province. It will focus areas that require improvement, such as legislative amendments, enhanced enforcement mechanisms, and broaden public awareness. Additionally, the study will offer recommendations to enhance the effectiveness of environmental standards and promote sustainable sewer disposal practices in urban areas.

The significance of this research lies in its potential to contribute to the development of strong legal frameworks for sewer disposal across Sri Lanka facing similar challenges. By addressing the gaps and shortcomings in the current legal system, this research aims to assist policymakers, regulatory bodies, and urban planners in formulating and implementing effective strategies to protect the environment and health of the individuals reside in urban settlements.

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