

Hong Kong - A Real Concrete Jungle

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This photo is taken in Hong Kong. You may wonder why I took a photo of these three buildings. Obviously, they are very close to each other and you can go from one of them to the other two buildings in about 30 seconds. Have you noticed something special from the scene in this photo? What sort of problem does it show?

First of all, it is clear that these three buildings were built at different times, but they are located side-by-side in the same place. Next, they are too close to each other. Naturally, the residents living there are likely to feel crowded and be disturbed by noise. This is the main cause of the problem.

We can't remove them immediately now, but our government could improve its urban planning to prevent this kind of problem happening again. Before any construction projects begin, the government should make a detailed and careful plan. If there are some very old buildings in an area, the government should gradually dismantle them. To help original residents living in those buildings, the government should provide them with accommodation in public housing estates or give them reasonable compensations. As a result, there will be more space for new buildings.

In conclusion, our government need to have a better development plan.