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Resettlement: Human-scale thinking

“Understanding resettlement requires social imagination because this process should involve an attempt to move history and memory, social organization...and creativity. The international standards provide little help or guidance about the lethargy, apathy, and depression which are commonly seen in resettled communities”(Cochrane, 2017; P.182).
Resettlement: Human-scale thinking

“You will do better resettlement planning and implementation if you put yourself in the shoes (houses and jobs) of the affected persons” (Appleby and Bingham, 2017).
Questions about...?

Active Empathy?
Human-scale thinking?
Households in MIDR practice
Risks perspectives...

- **Risk to people**
  - High
  - Low

- **Risk assessment & reconstruction models**
  - Low
  - High

- **SAFEGUARDS**
  - Prospect
  - Design & Develop
  - Operate
  - Close

- **Risk to projects**
Concepts and People

Are we getting into the human dimensions of the safeguards and resettlement practice?
Compensation

Compensation justice

Contested grounds

- Fair and adequate compensation?
- Negotiation: context and environment
- Procedural fairness vs. real outcomes
- Above (or below) replacement cost?
- So much on so little (Cernea and Mathur, 2007)
- Prospects? - “Culminating vs. comprehensive outcomes” (Sen, A. 2009)
Homelessness or Houselessness?

- Poor linkages between easily addressable physical risks as against inherent social risks.

- Homelessness not easily addressable; houselessness is.

- Transformational effects not adequately addressed.
Way forward

- Extended “Social awareness” (Vanclay and Esteves, 2011).

- Dedicated household level engagement (Adam et.al, 2015).

- Expanded responsibility with matched resources and capacity (Owen and Kemp, 2016; Penz et.al, 2011).
Thank you!

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