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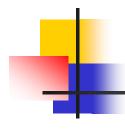
# Violation of urban planning norms in Ulaanbaatar city, Mongolia

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# **Urban planning problems in Mongolia**

The changes towards new economic and social relations starting in 1990 in Mongolia deteriorated urban planning policies and migration, thus negatively affecting urban areas.



### **Urban planning problems in Mongolia**

#### **Social and Economic Impacts**

- Population growth
- Health and safety issues
- Infrastructure availability issues
- Increase of land needs for housing
- Lack of schools and kindergarten
- Increase in the number of vehicles
- Road congestion
- Parking availability issues

#### **Environmental Impacts**

- Soil, water and air pollution
- Dust
- Decrease of green areas



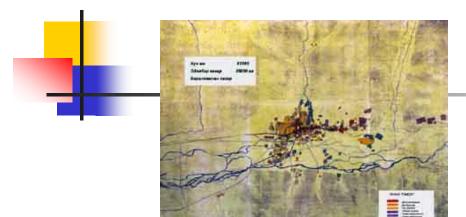
# Status of the capital city relative to the entire country

- Capital city area: 0.3% (470,000 ha)
- City center area: 6.2% (**29,605.8** ha)
- Population: 40.6% (1,200,000)
- Gross Domestic Product: 50.5%
- Vehicles: 58.6%
- Number of companies: 70.2%
- Trade and service: 75.1%
- Number of universities: 79.2%
- University students living in capital city: 87.4%
- Hospital beds: 44%

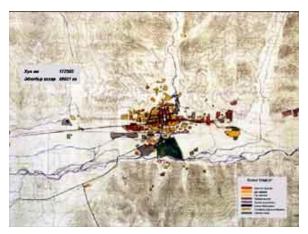
(Agency of Statistic in Capital city)

# **General plan and amendments**

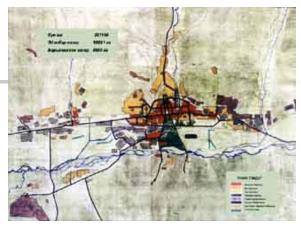
(specialists of the former Soviet Union)



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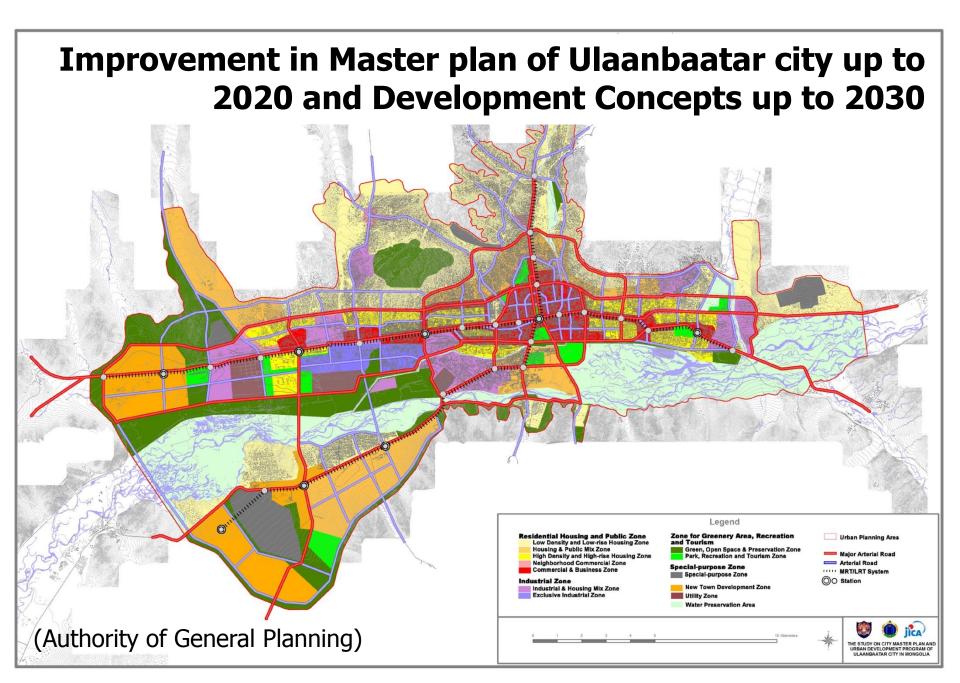


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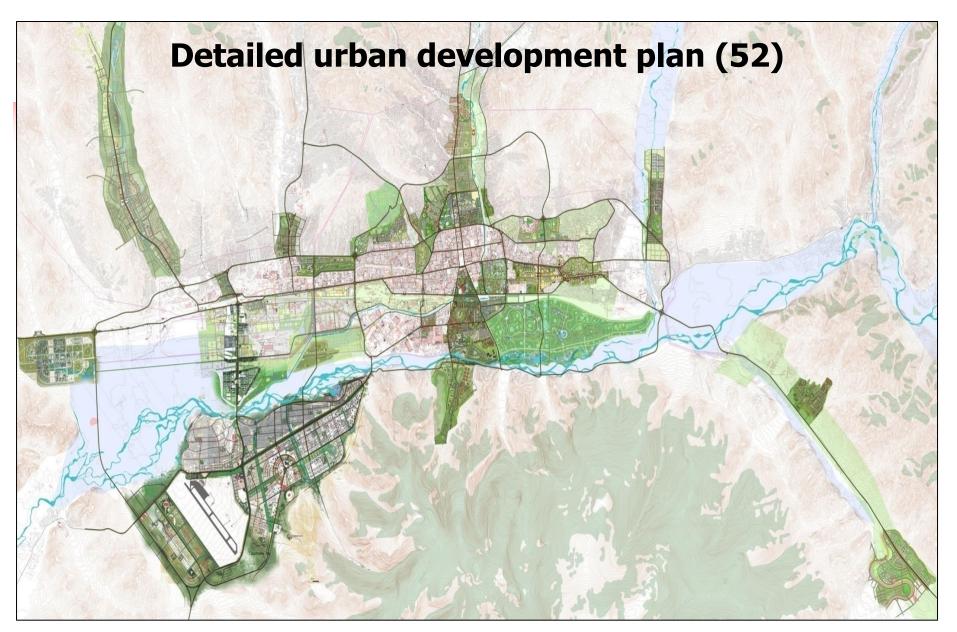
5<sup>th</sup> master plan (specialist of national)

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#### Introduction



(Authority of General Planning)



# **Current urban development policy**

#### Land law (2002)

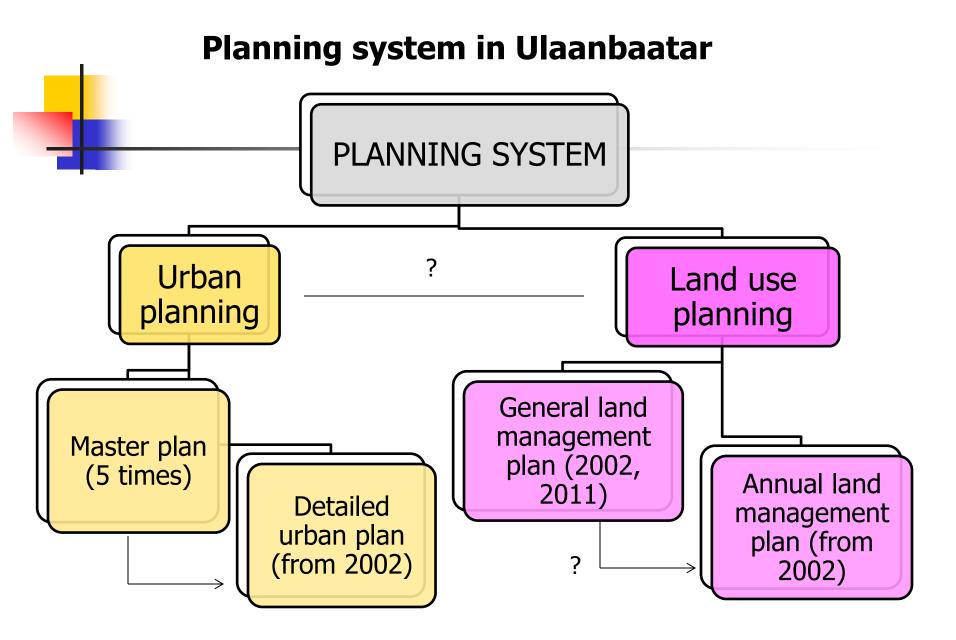
- Allocation of land ownership to Mongolian citizens (2002)
- Cadastral survey and land cadastre (1999)
- Geodesy and cartography (1997)
- Land fee (1997)

#### **Urban development law (2008)**

- Legal status of the Capital city
- Construction (2008)
- Housing (1999)
- Utilization of urban water supply and Sanitation (2011)
- Roads (1998)
- Energy (2001)
- Telecommunications (2001)

Regulation of law on land

In addition to these laws, technical guidelines for design and construction are regulated by several "norms" and "standards".







According to the Urban development law of 2008, it is mandatory to follow the general requirements and dimensions for urban planning.

(Urban Development Law, 2008)

# Types of norms in Mongolia

1. Country

2. Industry sector

a. Mongolia's construction norms and regulations (BNbD)

(Mondatory)

- b. National construction standards (MNS) (Recommendation)
- c. Construction, construction design rules, and materials production for construction (BD)

(Recommendation)

d. Management system document (UBB)

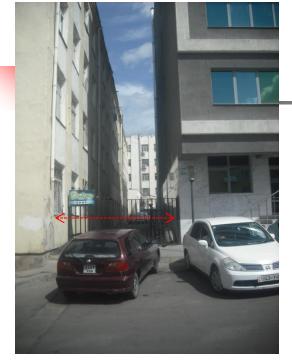
(Recommendation)

a. Organizational standard

City and settlement planning, and building construction (2004)



#### The distance between buildings should be 15 m



Narrow sidewalks - should be 1.5 m



No car park in apartment buildings



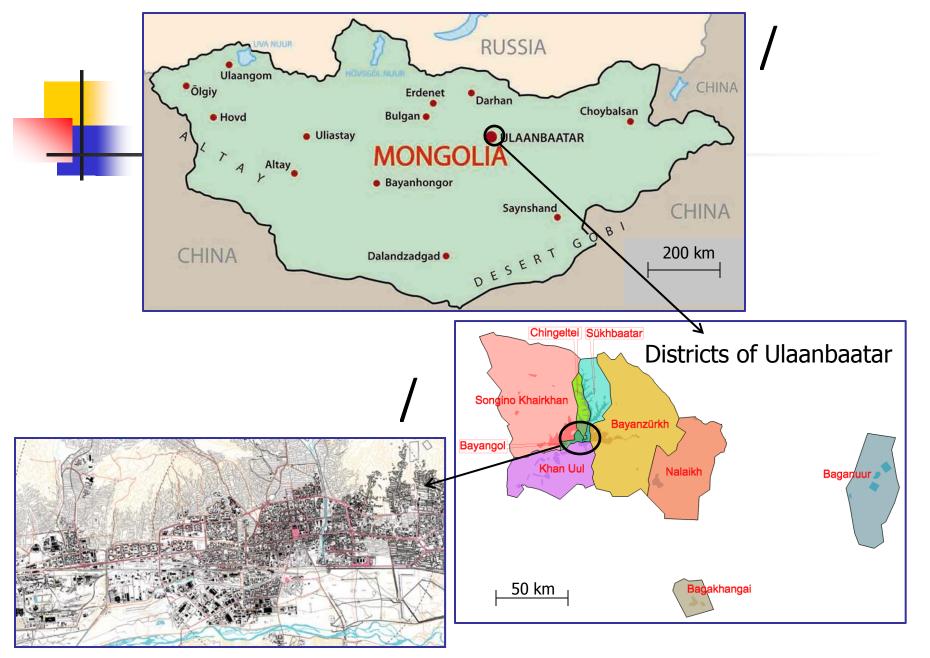
Parking spaces for 25% of the resident families in an apartment building



#### **Objectives**

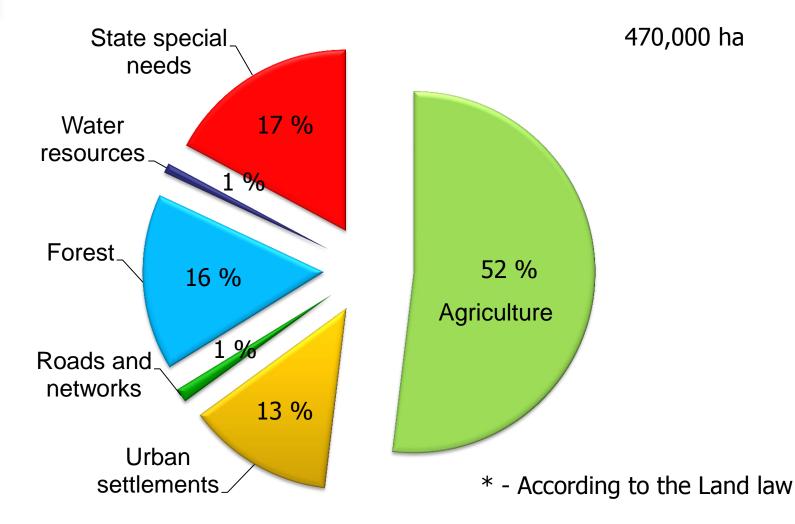
- To analyze the condition of the violation of urban planning norms
- To analyze the reasons for violating urban planning norms
- To propose a better management and enforcement system for urban planning in Ulaanbaatar city

#### Study area





# The unified land territory and classification \* of Ulaanbaatar city



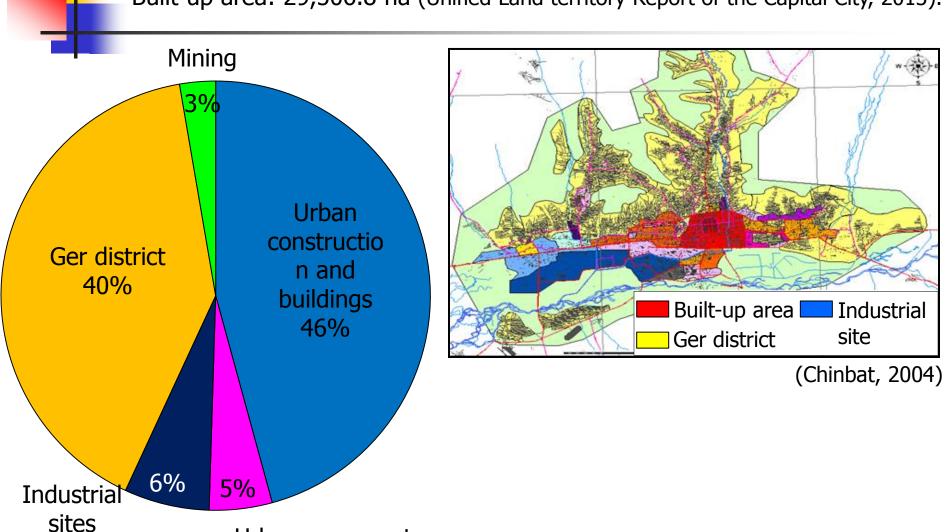
# **Settlement and built-up zone of city** Built-up area Informal settlement area or ger\* district 33 people per ha 270 people per ha \*Ger is a Mongolian traditional house

#### Structure of the built-up area

- Focus on the built-up area of the city center.

Urban common tenure

- Built-up area: 29,506.8 ha (Unified Land territory Report of the Capital City, 2013).



# Methodology



#### **Data collection**

- Statistical data (e.g. buildings, land size and population)
- Aerial map of the study area (2002, 2005, 2013)
- Cadastre map (2013)
- Annual land management plan (several years)
- GIS data (maps, GIS)
- Some photos of study area
- Questionnaire (63 citizens)

#### **Data analysis**

- Analyze questionnaires
- Determine the current situation of the violation of norms
- Analyze the violation of norms
- Examine the violation of norms on the maps and plans

#### **Findings**

- Will determine the number and location of the violation of norms
- Will determine the reasons for violatingnorms
- Will propose an appropriate urban planning management
- Will determine an approach for decreasing the violation of norms

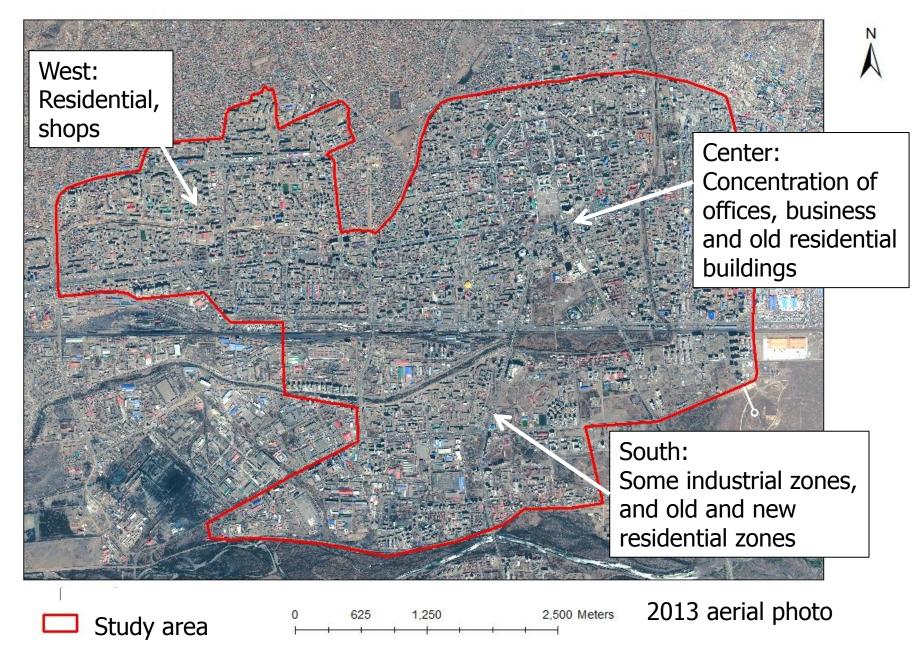
#### **Selected norms**

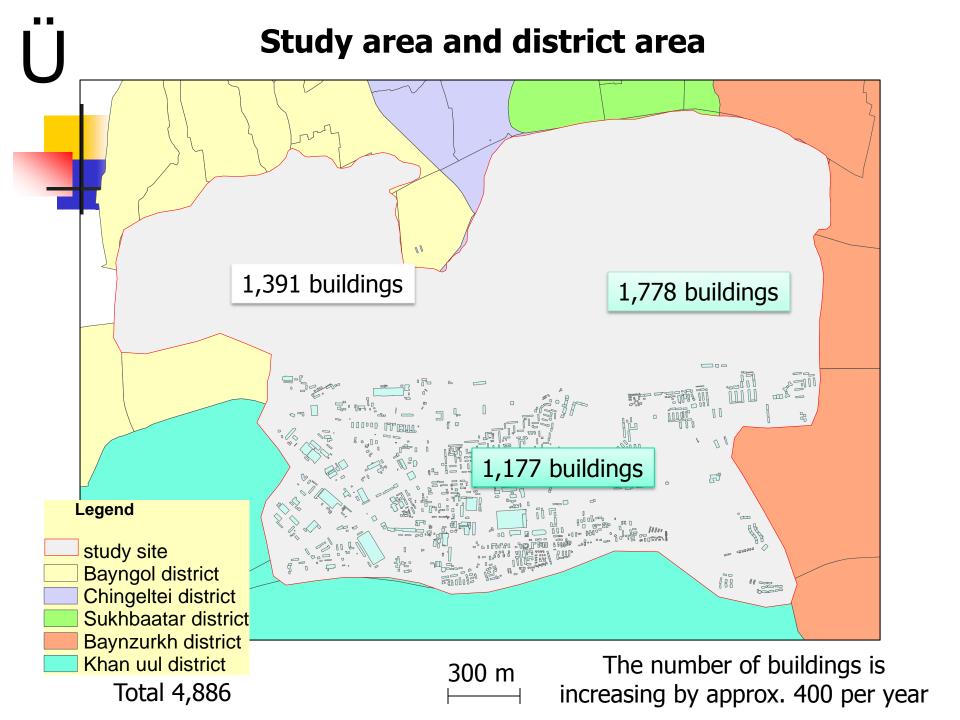
	Name of Norm	Size	Norm Indicant*
1	Distance between buildings	15-20 m.	4.18 – MCRB. Decree No.418
			by the Minister of
			Infrastructure
			2.11 - CSPBC
2	Distance between gasoline	50 m. from the	6.39 - CSPBC
	station and buildings	building	
3	Protection zone for	5 m. from the building	7.10 - CSPBC
	underground water and heat	2 m. from the road	
	line		
4	Apartment building car park	Parking spaces for	4.16 – MCRB. Decree No.418
	(i.e. not for other buildings,	25% of the resident	by the former Minister of
	organizations, and public	families in an	Infrastructure
	services)	apartment building.	6.30 - CSPBC
5	Sidewalk width	1.5 m.	6.18 - CSPBC
6	Distance between buildings	15 20 m	6 10 CCDC
٥	Distance between buildings	15-20 m.	6.18 - CSBC
	and roads		

<sup>\*</sup>MCRB - Multi compartment residential buildings.

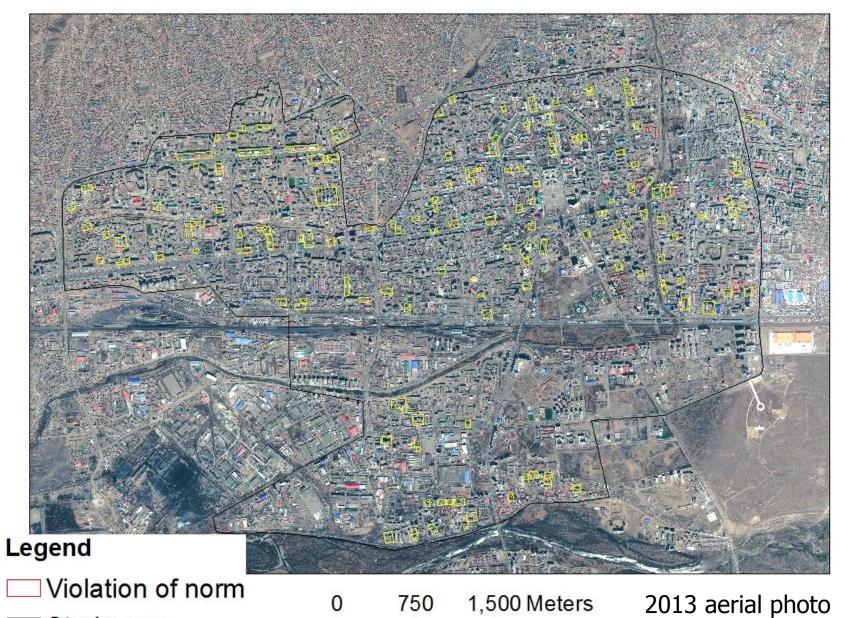
<sup>\*</sup>CSPBC - City and settlement planning, and building construction

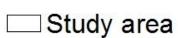
# Study area (1920 ha)





# Map of the violation of norms







# Violation of the norm on distance between buildings

Year	Number of building	According to norm	Violating the norm
1930-1994	718	714	4
1994-2004	279	266	13
2004-2014	1180	1075	105
Total	2177	2055	122

(By year of construct)

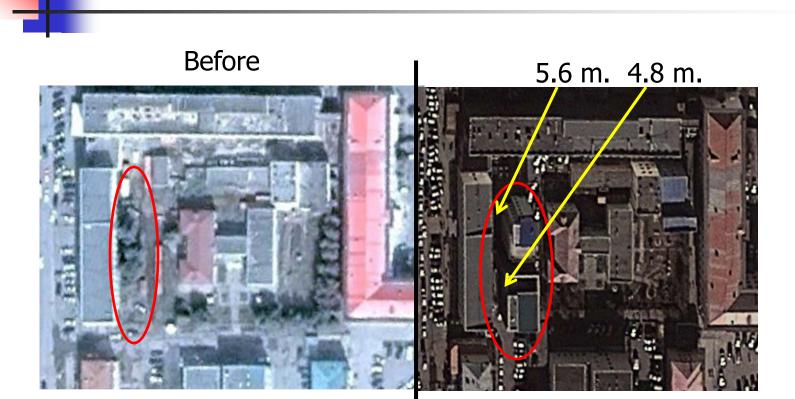


# Violation of the norm on distance between buildings

Distance between buildings	According to norm	Number of violations
0-5 m		46
5-10 m	15-20 m	84
10-15 m		45
Total		175

(By distance)

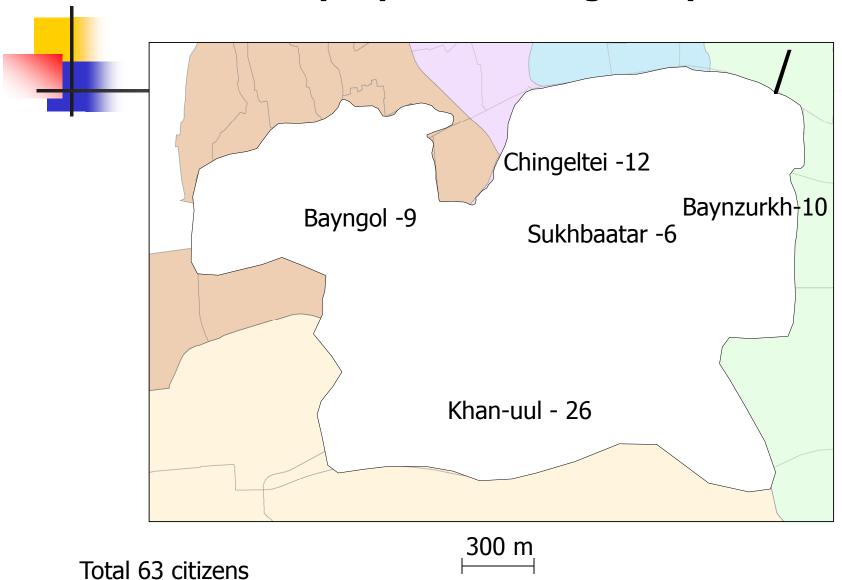
# The building's green area was reduced, thus violating the norm on distance between buildings



24.08.2004 After 9 years 17.10.2013

(Google maps, 2014)

# Number of people answering the questionnaire





# **Questionnaire**

1	Do you live in an apartment?
2	Do you know the content of
	urban planning norms?
3	Were urban planning norms
	violated in your apartment
	building?
4	Do such violations affect your
	living environment?
5	What are the consequences of
	these violations?

6	What is the main type of
	violation?
7	Why are these violations
	happening?
8	What approach is needed to
	limit these violations?
9	What do you recommend to
	stop the violation of norm?



#### **Questionnaire results**

- 1. Most people have insufficient knowledge of urban planning and no longer feel comfortable in their surroundings.
- 2. There are consequences for health and safety, and a decrease in the quality of their surroundings:
  - Decrease of green space, parking, and children's playground area
  - Obstacle for sunlight to the buildings
  - Insufficient schools and kindergartens

#### 3. The **main violations** are:

- distances between buildings, and buildings and roads, are too small
- lack of common areas, squares, gardens and children's playgrounds
- narrow sidewalks and roads
- lack of car parking areas



#### **Questionnaire results**

- 4. The <u>reasons</u> are related to 5 issues: control, interest, responsibility, planning, and relationships.
- 5. The <u>source</u> of the problem is related to 4 issues: lawlessness, authority, citizens' and legal entity and inadequate infrastructure.
- 6. Norm violations can be <u>reduced</u> by: tightening control, to provide participation of public in the planning, optimizing urban planning norms, and avoiding the construction of buildings in the city center.
- 7. Norm violations can be <u>eliminated</u> by: strengthening responsibility, making the law more specific, regulating, and demolishing.



#### **Conclusions**

- The current framework has no system that coordinates the various interrelating laws, i.e., the laws on land, urban development.
- There is an increase of new buildings in the city, and an increase in the violation of urban planning norms.
- The main violation is the reduction of the distance between buildings.
- Most people have insufficient knowledge of urban planning and no longer feel comfortable in their surroundings.
- The violation of norms depends on control, responsibility, the legal framework, and relationships with public organizations.



#### **Future work**

- Literature review
- To analyze the violation of some norms
- To analyze the factors influencing the violation of norms
- To formulate recommendations for improving urban planning



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