

Mukuru Special Planning Area — Nairobi's Co-Produced Slum-Upgrading Governance Model

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Quality score: 81/100

Evidence strength: Observational / pre–post

Summary

Kenya's first citywide Special Planning Area designation (2017) gave 100,560 households on 689 acres of Nairobi's Mukuru settlements a co-produced governance mechanism; by 2023 pilot sewer works reached about 12,500 families and cut water costs by up to 95%.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Evidence of impact / measured results	2/3
Transferability / demonstrated replication	2/3
Scalability	2/3
Sustainability / continuity	2/3
Innovation	3/3
Inclusiveness / equity	3/3
Multi-stakeholder collaboration	3/3

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

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