ABSTRACT

TITLE: "ROLE OF TRANSPORT IN THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OF UTTAR PRADESH"

Transportation is an important infrastructural facility affecting the socio economic development of a country or a region. This is all the more so in an undeveloped area or a state. The case of Uttar Pradesh and its economy is no exception to this particular rule. The objectives of this work are:

(1) To ascertain as to how and why transport affects economic development of a region or a state.

(2) To examine the efficacy or otherwise of a transport system to project its socio-economic needs.

(3) To provide guidelines and policy framework for a well developed transport mechanism in the state of Uttar Pradesh.

(4) To suggest improvements and advancements of the transport sector of the state so as to make it vibrant in view of its role in the agricultural and industrial development of the state.
In any scheme of economic development of a region or a state there are certain constraints -- administrative, managerial, financial, technological etc.

One of the most important constraints of economic development in Uttar Pradesh is the lack of its infrastructural base. Transport constitutes as one of these constraints as it inhibits the growth of U.P.'s economy in a great way. The lack of transport facilities, a deficiency in the network of roads connecting the villages and remote areas of the state, ineffective railway system, and other modes of transport have made the problem of the development of U.P.'s economy very critical.
The methodology adopted in writing this thesis is to have an analytical examination of the data which would prove the hypothesis that lack of transport facilities is an important constraint in the development of U.P.’s economy———both agricultural and industrial. In order to arrive at the conclusion, statistical information has been collected both from the primary and secondary sources. Their analysis and interpretation has been made with some statistical tools and techniques and the result of such analysis has been provided for in this work.