The present research work is a review and humble attempt to shape the work “Urban Growth and Challenges of an Industrial City: A Case Study of Bokaro Steel City”. The main objective of the study has been to find out solution of urban growth and challenges of Bokaro Steel City. Urbanization is a complex phenomenon which is gaining pace in the modern world. Every society, state and nation passes through this transformation. Urbanization is manifestation and indicator of economic development of a given area. The process of urbanization is dynamic and very old and it started when men learnt the art of agriculture, which left mankind with surplus food and time. Urbanization led to economic development and diversification and the first urban settlements were born. However, the major mechanism in the urbanization proved to be the industrial revolution which led to the rapid urban growth in terms of their size of population and their numbers. The process of urbanization is accompanied with the growth of urban population.

Industrialization and urbanization or urban growth is a phenomenon through which all civilizations, societies, states and regions go through. Urban growth is an indicator and manifestation of economic as well as social development. Urban growth and industrialization involves rising in the standard of living of the people through steady increase in economic level. In rural areas the process of industrialization and urbanization leads to rural transformation in socio-economic and demographic aspects. According to a report published by United Nations (U.N) in 2007 the urban population of the world has equated its rural population and in the coming years more people will be living in urban areas as compared to the rural areas. In the census of 2011, 31.16% of the Indian population was classed as urban. In the same census year Bokaro district of Jharkhand state emerged as a highly urbanized region with 47.7% of its population as urban, after Jamshedpur, Dhanbad and Ranchi. Bokaro district of Jharkhand state emerged as a highly urbanized region due to Bokaro Steel Plant in Bokaro Steel City.

Urbanization can be the result of a variety of factors. The process of urbanization in Bokaro district is directly linked to the Bokaro Steel Plant and industrial as well as mining belt. The Bokaro Steel City presents a fine example of industry based urbanization process. In the
present research work, the researcher has made an attempt to study the urban growth and challenges of Bokaro Steel City. Though urban growth is indispensable, it has given rise to social, economic and environmental problems. The researcher has also attempted to analyse the problems and prospects of urbanization in the district and give suggestions for the future course of urbanization in the Bokaro Steel City.

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