

## **Summary**

This lecture covers the process of reclamation of derelict lands and Environmental Impact Assessment. It begins with the definition of derelict land and the various causes of dereliction. Then, it discusses the reclamation process, broadly categorized under the following three steps: Establishing objectives; Determining influencing factors; and Selecting reclamation methods. Subsequently, two successful reclamation and restoration projects, namely Basalt Quarry, Timba, Gujarat and Concrete Plant Park, Bronx, NY are discussed. Then, it introduces the process of Environment Impact Assessment (EIA) which is essentially a planning tool and a systematic study process for identification of potential impacts of proposed projects, plans and programmes. Finally, benefits of EIA and the process in India are presented.