

Urban Cages and Domesticated Humans

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ABSTRACT

In this article, the study assessed the domestication process of humankind within the frame of urbanization and power accumulation. Within this framework, by giving various examples from chicken farms. The study express the author's opinions on the analogy of the "liberated human beings" in cities and the "free range" chickens in farms. It has also been tried to explain how a city acts as a human farm. Cities are governed by the ones holding power similar to the farms are ruled by farmers and humans during their history of civilization have lost their right of deciding on their lives and fates against this power as the domesticated animals in farms. It is necessary to give up these cities which are models of life organizations from the Old and the Middle Ages. Models of settlements which became even more inhumane as results of modernization and neoliberalization strategies. The study revealed that With the scientific and technologic improvements and the developments of in science and humanities, it is possible to easily replace the city model of communal life with a better one -The one in which people can be more free and happy and will give more life to the earth and contribute to the aliveness within it.

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1. INTRODUCTION

The chickens in the below picture (Figure 1) demanding their rights and freedom. They want the industrial farms to be banned. They dream to derive a natural life. More precisely, this is not fully possible. Because these are birds tamed by humans from various phasianidae for approximately 6000 years (Clauer, 2017). They did not exist in a pure and untouched nature. Instead, they came into existence with the help of humans as a result of the domestication process. They lived by accompanying human societies for many years. In my opinion, rather than going back to an untouched nature, their

demands only involve freedom. Perhaps, they do not remember that kind of nature. They, just like us, may not even have any ideas about that nature. The freedom they desire is to escape from the human dominance and its accumulated power. They want to have equal rights and wills with humans in sharing their habitats with them. They claim to be able to decide for their own destiny. They reject the existence for humans and request the conditions

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