In many places, new homes are needed, but the only space available for building them is in the countryside. Some people believe it is more important to protect the countryside and not build new homes there. What is your opinion about this?

In many parts of the world people are suffering from lack of a suitable place to live. This leads to officials <u>let</u> people destroy the green areas outside cities to house the ever- growing population in large cities. While many consider this a positive step in urban development, I personally, believe the urban sprawl can <u>inversely</u> affect our physical and mental health. This short essay elaborates on my viewpoints regarding this controversial topic along with relevant examples.

The provision of suitable accommodation is one of the main concerns amongst people living in almost all large cities. Coping with such a widespread problem, residential complexes are built in the countryside in many parts of the world. I, personally, believe this is simply a temporary remedy for such a significantly complicated problem especially in the developing countries where the facilities are concentrated in metropolises <u>mostly</u>. In other words, not only are these constructions ruining the green belt of our cities, but <u>it</u> also invite more people from villages to these newly built residential areas. The more facilities are built in metropolises, the more people leave their lands and come to larger cities.

The constructions in countryside has destructive impacts on natural <u>environment</u> (as well). The <u>vegetated</u> zones outside big cities play a significant role in purification of polluted air in metropolises. Looking for fresh air, people in large cities more than often spend their time in natural vegetated zones out of cities to <u>inhale their lungs with</u> fresh clean air. Only when we preserve the environment in a large cities can we expect economic growth by healthy work force.

By way of conclusion, I opine that the negative impacts of construction in the countryside far outweigh its drawbacks. Although (vertical and horizontal) expansion of cities to the countryside may seem a temporary solution for home shortage I hold the idea that this will face civilians with more complicated health related problems sooner or later.