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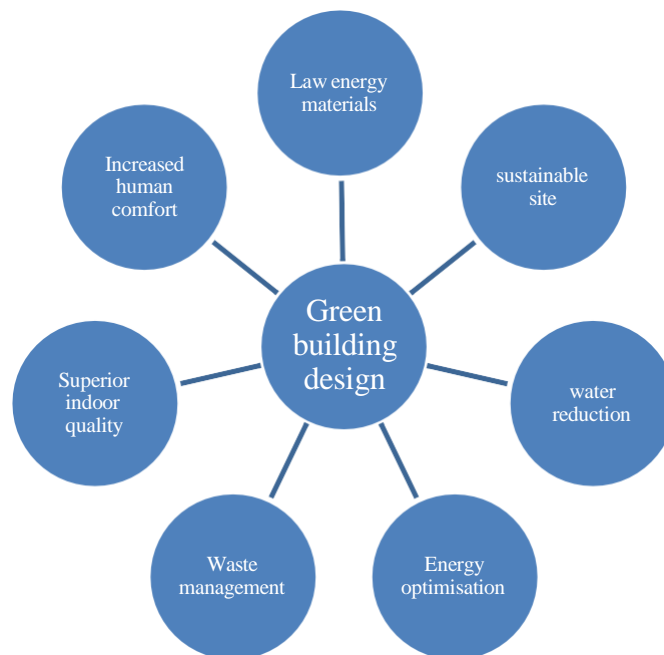*University, City, Country*
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	LGI	TNF	DT	POVERTY
Average Variance Extracted (AVE)	0.750	0.706	0.601	0.544
Composite Reliability (CR)	0.991	0.981	0.911	0.826

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