

16. India—Municipal Committees

Worksheet 1

A Answer the following questions.

1. What are public utility services or civic amenities?

2. What is the purpose of a Municipal Committee or Corporation?

3. How is a Municipal Committee or Corporation formed?

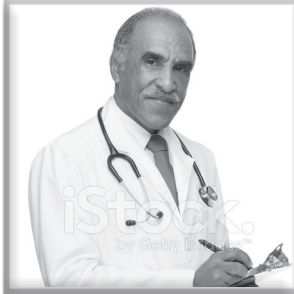
4. How do the Municipal Committees or Corporations get funds for their work?

Answers to Worksheet 1

1. Public utility services or civic amenities are the basic day-to-day requirements of the people living within an area like a town, a city or a village. They are provided by the government for the comfort and welfare of its people. They include provision of drinking water, electricity, roads, schools, colleges, primary health centres, hospitals, local transport, fair price shops, markets, etc.
2. The purpose of a Municipal Committee or Corporation is to provide public utility services or civic amenities to the people in the town or city.
3. A Municipal Committee or Corporation consists of member called Councillors elected by the people of that town or city.
4. The main sources of income of a Municipal Committee in small town are the same as in bigger cities: Taxes on property, road, octroi/entry, entertainment, toll, water, Value Added Tax, registration of births/deaths, etc. Municipal committees also receive funds from the State Government.

Worksheet 2

What work do the following people do to help run the city?



1. _____

2. _____

3. _____



4. _____

5. _____

Answers to Worksheet 2

1. A doctor treats sick people and makes them healthy.
2. A teacher teaches skills and good behaviour and values and gives knowledge.
3. A gardener takes care of plants, gardens and parks and makes them beautiful.
4. A cleaner cleans the neighbourhood and is responsible for public health.
5. A shopkeeper sells goods to the customers.