

3. Amenities and Facilities in NMMC Area

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NMMC provides basic amenities like water supply, sewerage, sewage treatment, storm water management, solid waste collection and disposal, public toilets, crematoriums, roads, footpaths, public buildings etc. to the population residing in NMMC area. NMMC also provides facilities such as hospitals and dispensaries, public transport, education. These facilities are also provided by private sector. In addition NMMC extends services such as fire fighting, undertakes slum improvement, development and maintenance of parks, gardens and open grounds, public libraries, tree plantation, entertainment facilities etc. The status of these amenities and facilities during 2003-2004 is reviewed in sections 4 to 19.

3.2 Status of Environmental Quality Assessment

In order to establish the status of environmental quality in NMMC area, extensive field monitoring was carried out during May / June 2004. Field sampling was carried out for ambient air quality, noise level, water quality in lakes, water quality in storage reservoirs, municipal solid waste, bio-medical waste, working of sewage treatment plants. Data was also collected on water quality in drains (nallas), and for influent/effluent from various sewage treatment plants. The basis of evaluation of environmental quality index has been retained as of previous year for continuity purpose. Details of data and Salient observations are discussed in relevant sections.