

12 Education

12.1 Present Status

Navi Mumbai, strategically located on the proposed Mumbai Pune 'Knowledge Corridor', has been receiving a lot of thrust with respect to Information Technology. The Government of Maharashtra has plans drawn up to develop Mumbai, Navi Mumbai and Pune as high tech habitats for IT Industry.

A strong educational base is the most important pillar on which a person can build a career. A liberal spread of quality educational institutes ensures the availability of learning and gaining knowledge to one and all. Navi Mumbai has been built up with a strong Social Infrastructure. It has 13 Engineering Colleges and Medical Colleges, 62 reputed schools offering high standard education. The schools and colleges in Navi Mumbai are equipped with qualified and experienced faculty. Infrastructures for social activities have proved conducive to attract children from even lower income categories.

Navi Mumbai has excellent educational facilities. All kinds of educational institutes are there in Navi Mumbai: kindergardens, schools -both primary and secondary, junior colleges, ITI and Diploma Colleges, Arts, Commerce and Science Colleges, Engineering and Medical Colleges, Management institutes etc. There are 133 primary schools, 62 secondary schools and 18 colleges (Table 12.1.1). During 2003-2004 in sector 3 of CBD Belapur a public library building with expenditure Rs. 1.38 Crores was inaugurated and made open to citizens.

View of Newly Constructed School at Shiravane



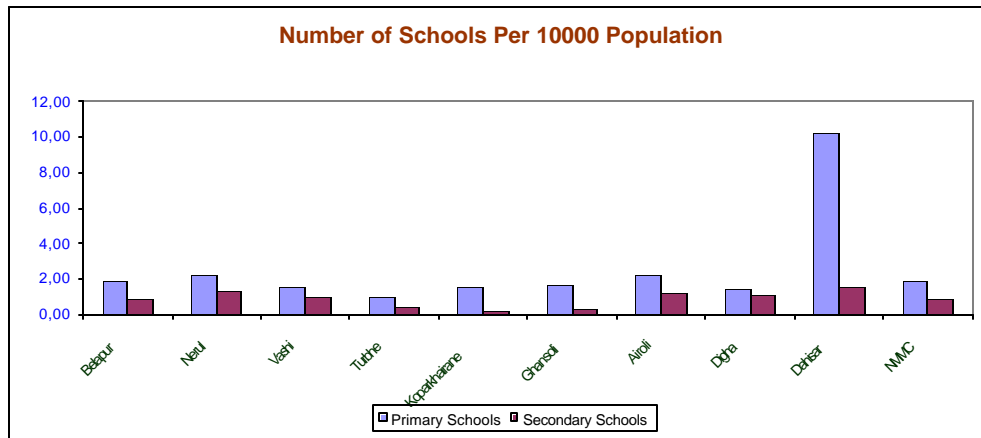


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Table 12.1.1: Educational Institutes, 2003-04

Area	Pre-primary	Anganwadi	Primary	Secondary	Colleges	Medical Colleges	Engineering Colleges
Belapur	7	4	14	7	-	1	1
Nerul	20	11	27	16	2	2	3
Vashi	19	3	18	12	3	-	1
Turbhe	12	5	10	5	-	-	-
Koparkhairne	10	4	17	2	-	-	3
Ghansoli	8	13	9	2	-	-	-
Airoli	19	6	17	10	-	-	2
Digha	8	5	8	6	-	-	-
Dahisar	0	14	13	2	-	-	-
Total	105	65	133	62	5	3	10

(Source: Education Officer, NMMC)