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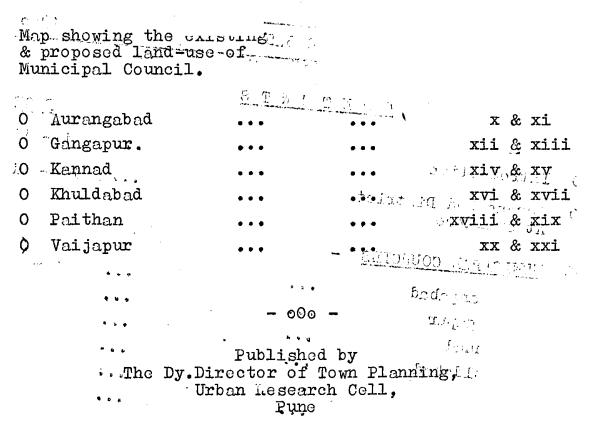
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- \* Map of Maharashtra State ... viii showing position of Aurangabad District.
- \* Map showing location of Municipal Councils in Aurangabed District.

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### INTRODUCTION

## I. General -

1. Maharashtra is the most urbanised State in India with a proportion of urban population of 31.2% as against the national average of 19.9% as per 1971 Census. Final results of 1981 Census are now published which indicate that urbanisation in the State is 35.03%.

2. As per 1981 population Census and subsequent to the merging of 11 Municipal Councils and 14 Non-Municipal Areas in the newly constituted **at** 6 Municipal Corporations and the establishment of New Municipal Councils by merging therein 4 Non-Municipal Areas/there are now 11 Municipal Coporations, 216 Municipal Councils, 7 Cantonments and 57 Non-Municipa. Areas making the total of 291 Urban Areas in Maharashtra State. Of the total 216 Municipal Councils,22 are 'A' Class,44 are 'B' Class, 144 are 'C' Class and 6 are kill Station. Municipal Councils.

3. Towns in Maharashtra are at different levels of development. They differ from one another in several respects. Their regional settings, functional characteristics, economic base, infrastructural development, per capita income and expenditure, present a heterogeneous picture. Hence, various measures are adopted to achieve a balanced development.

II. Object and Scope :

1. The Registrar General of Census and various other Agencies present the urban statistics in different forms. However, we have compiled the information from the available Census Publications, Municipal Year Book published by the Directorate of Economics and Statistics, the District Gazetter and the Development Plan reports prepared for each of the towns by this Department.While compiling the information for a town, it is observed that reference period varies from one source to another. Hence, such a compiled information in a precise form is brought up-to-date to a specific reference year by contacting the concerned authorities of the town.

2. Such a townwise information for the townsin a particular district is being published by the Urban Research Cell of the Town Planning & Valuation Deptt., Maharashtra State, Pune. Uptillnow the Town Directories for 19 Districts in the State have been published and circulated to various Agencies.

Present Town Directory (Volume No.XX) relates to 3. newly bifurcated Aurangabad District. There are 6 Municipal Towns in the district viz. (i) Aurangabad, (ii) Gangapur. (iii) Kannad, (iv) Khuldabad, (v) Paithan & (vi) Vaijapur. Of these towns (i) Aurangabad had "A" class Municipal Council while remaining towns have "C" class Municipal Councils. In the following pages, information regarding each of the above Municipal towns has been presented separately in respect of different items relating to the latest available year. Since the data for the year 1981-82 have been collected for their inclusion in the Town Directories of the above mentioned Municipal Councils eventhough Aurangabad Municipal Corporation has now been established in December, 1982 the data pertaining to old Aurangabad Municipal Council have been presented therein in Town Directory for Aurangabad.

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4. Similar Volumes of other Districts in Maharashtra will be issued in due course. However, to be really useful, Town Directory will have to be up-dated periodically. If the idea of compiling and presenting such a Town Directory is appreciated and found useful, the same would be up-dated accordingly.

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