



**ADMINISTRATION
REPORT**
of the
Municipal Commissioner
for
Greater Bombay
1987—88

City, Suburbs and Extended Suburbs

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FOREWORD

As required under Section 124 of the B. M. C. Act, I place the Administration Report for the year 1987-88 before the Corporation. This report highlights the progress of the activities carried out and services rendered by various Civic Departments during the year 1987-88.

During last three years, no major construction work was taken up due to stringency of funds and a number of works were either postponed or abandoned. Major repairs to some municipal hospitals and schools buildings were undertaken during this year. Sports Complex at Andheri is nearing completion.

The Slum Improvement Cell has taken up the programme supplied by the B. H. A. D. Board for providing basic amenities at an estimated cost of Rs. 4 crore under the Environmental Improvement Programme. Slum Upgradation Programme has been undertaken under the Bombay Urban Development Project.

The Environmental Sanitation & Projects Wing of the Corporation was engaged in abatement of air, water and noise pollution by various industries.

Draft Revised Development Plan submitted to the State Government is awaiting its approval.

Having regard to the heavy traffic volume and length of roads in Greater Bombay, the amount available for road maintenance is inadequate. The road maintenance work was, therefore, restricted to repairs to bad patches and practically no new road work was taken in hand.

Participation of private parties was promoted for developing traffic islands and for providing road safety dividers in order to minimise the burden on civic finances. Work of improvement of street lighting by providing sodium vapour lamps on arterial roads and flyovers in the city was also in progress.

To abate the nuisance due to flooding in the city, antiflood measures were taken up during this year with World Bank assistance.

The Solid Waste Management Department carried out sweeping, collection and transportation of garbage. In addition, debris due to road excavation and building repair works were also removed by this Department. This Department has introduced dumper placers skip on and off tipper container system for transportation of garbage and debris.

This Department has been implementing LOGFAS component of BUDPI funded by the World Bank through BMRDA. This project is inclusive of providing Mechanical Refuse Transfer station at Mahalaxmi.

The works covered under the Water Supply Project Bombay—II were at the completion stage and an additional 160 MLD of water would be available to the city as part of the phased completion of the project.

Preliminary works of Bombay—III Project were started. This project aims at bringing an additional 455 MLD of water to Greater Bombay.

Works under Bombay II—Sewerage Project amounting to Rs. 321.02 crore were also in progress which include Pumping and Disposal (Civil) works and Mechanical and Electrical Works.

After occupation of the Campus at Abhinav Nagar, Borivali (E), Civic Training Institute and Research Centre has started organising and conducting training programmes for all the levels of civic employees. In addition to above, systems Studies and Research and Development activities were also undertaken during this year.

As regards health situation in Greater Bombay, birth rate and death rate for 1986 were 21.6 and 7.3 respectively. Infant mortality rate per 1000 live birth was 58.9 and maternal mortality rate 0.6. During the year 1986, 2,12,678 births and 72,203 deaths were registered. Out of 20 notifiable diseases, sporadic cases of Infective Hepatitis 'B' and Meningococcal Meningitis were reported but there was decline in these cases. There was no epidemic during this year.

Because of Expanded Programme of Immunisation against Diphtheria, Tetanus, Typhoid and Measles, etc., there was no increase in the incidence of these notifiable diseases.

The Assessment and Collection Department, a major revenue earning Department of the Corporation collected Rs. 230.56 crores from Municipal Property Taxes, including Government taxes and Rs. 272.31 crores from Octroi. Altogether, Rs. 502.87 crores were collected from various taxes for the year 1987-88. This collection was in excess by Rs. 87.80 crores over previous years' collection of Rs. 415.07 crores.

Sd/-
Municipal Commissioner.