

**CBSE Class –VI Social Science**  
**NCERT Solutions**  
**POLITICAL SCIENCE Chapter 7**  
**Urban Administration**

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**Question 1. Why did the children go to Yasmin Khala's house?**

**Answer :** While playing in the street, children broke the street light. They were upset and went to Rehana's mother for advice. She told them that it is the municipal corporation of the city takes care of replacing lights. She also told them that Yasmin Khala would be the best person because she has just retired from the Municipal Corporation. So they went to Yasmin Khala's house to know what to do for make up this street light.

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**Question 2. List four ways in which the work of the Municipal Corporation affects the life of a city-dweller.**

**Answer :** The work of the Municipal corporation affect the life of a city- dwellers in following ways :

- (i) It makes gardens and maintains them.
  - (ii) It opens library in different areas.
  - (iii) It cleans the slums and ensures that diseases do not break out in the city,
  - (iv) It opens school for children ,hospitals and dispensaries.
  - (v) It takes care of the street light.
  - (vi) It takes care of garbage collection ,water supply, and keeps the streets and markets clean.
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**Question 3. Who is a Municipal Councillor?**

**Answer :** A Municipal Councillor is an elected representative of a ward. He is also known as a ward councillor. They are elected for a fixed tenure of the five years, but can be removed.

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**Question 4. What did Gangabai do and why?**

**Answer:** Garbage was laying all over here and there in neighbourhood of Gangabai. People

were getting suffocation because of the foul smell. Gangabai decided to go to Ward Councillor with her neighbours so that this problem can be solved. She described this situation to him and he promised to solve this problem immediately.

Gangabai also threatened to Commissioner that if the problem was not solved within two days a number of women from her locality would protest against the corporation in front of Commissioner's office.

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**Question 5. List four ways in which the work of the Municipal Corporation affects the life of a city-dweller.**

**Answer:** The Municipal Corporation earns the money to do its work in following ways:

- (i) Property tax on house, land etc.
  - (ii) Tax on trade and business
  - (iii) Fees on water facilities.
  - (iv) Fees on electricity facilities.
  - (v) Income and rent earned from the institutions, property like the buildings, markets etc.
  - (vi) Grants from the state government.
  - (vii) Income from various kinds of fine on pets or stray animals.
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**Question 6. Discuss In the two photographs you see different ways of collecting and disposing garbage.**

- i) Which way do you think provides safety to the person disposing garbage?**
- ii) What are the dangers of collecting garbage in the manner shown in the first photograph?**
- iii) Why do you think that proper ways of disposing garbage are not available to those who work in municipalities?**

**Answer :** (i) As shown in photo 2.it provides safety to the person disposing garbage.

(ii) In the first photograph ,people collecting garbage might get injured or infected and may fall ill. It will affect their health as they are not taking any safety measures and there is

always a fear of being get seriously ill or fall in the grip of serious diseases.

(iii) Municipalities have less facilities and transport available to dispose garbage as compared to the Corporations. This may be due to the lack of fund or careless behaviour of the officials and workers.

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**Question 7.** Several poor people in the city work as domestic servants as well as work for the Corporation, keeping the city clean. Yet the slums in which they live are filthy. This is because these slums seldom have any water and sanitation facilities.

The reason often given by the Municipal Corporation is that the land in which the poor have set up their homes does not belong to them and that slum-dwellers do not pay taxes. However people living in middle class neighbourhoods pay very little in taxes compared to the amount of money the corporation spends on them in setting up parks, street lighting facilities, regular garbage collection etc. Also as you read in this chapter, the property taxes collected by the Municipality makes up only 25-30 percent of its money. Why do you think it is important that the Corporation should spend more money on slum localities? Why is it important that the Municipal Corporation provide the poor in the city with the same facilities that the rich get?

**Answer :** It is important that the Corporation should spend more money on slum localities because

1. Slum- dwellers are citizens of our country. They need education ,sanitation, rehabilitation and other facilities. If the Corporation do not provide them equal facilities then it is a discrimination on the basis of economic condition.
2. Slum- dwellers are also part of a society. The people living there contribute a lot for the society and also a major work population like domestic servants, workers ,and cleaners live there.
3. They are also human beings. They lack even basic facilities of life which cause spread of many diseases among them and may also spread to the neighbouring locality of the slums due to dirty condition.