

# STD -IV

## LESSON 12

### SOCIAL STUDY

## HOW WE RUN OUR TOWNS

### Answer these questions

Q1. Who looks after the needs of the residents of a town or city?

Ans. Municipality looks after the needs of the residents of a town or a city.



Fig: Patna Municipality

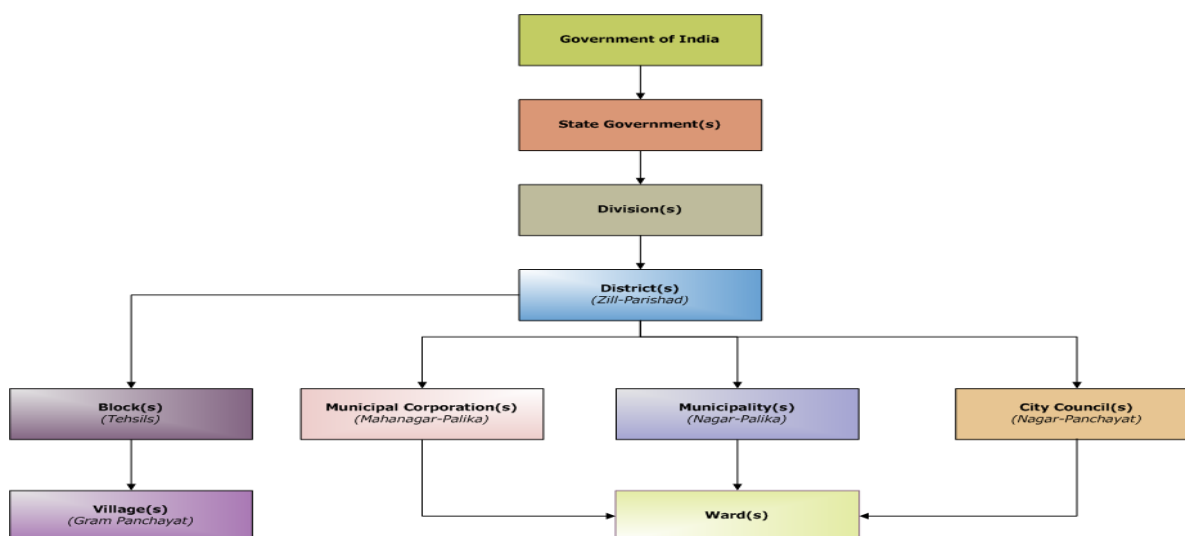
Q2. A town has 15 wards. How many councillors does its municipal council have?

Ans. If a town has 15 wards then there would be 15 councillors in that city.

Q3. What is the head of a municipal corporation called?

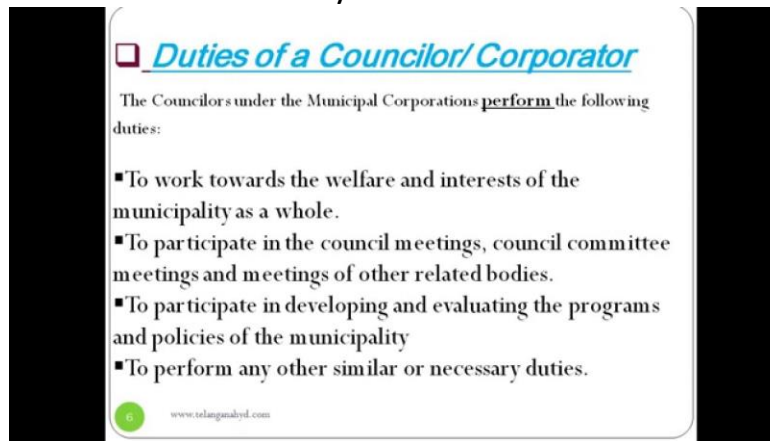
Ans. The Head of a municipal corporation is called a Mayor.

*Administrative structure of India*



Q4. For how many years are councillors elected?

Ans. Councillors are elected for a term of 5 years.



Q5. Give an example of a tax collected by a municipality.

Ans. House tax and Water tax are collected by a municipality.



Q6. Who gives the municipality money to carry out its jobs?

Ans. Municipality needs money to do all its work. It gets money from the state government and some from the taxes people pay.

Q7. Write five things that a municipality does.

Ans. Five works of municipality are:

- It builds and maintains roads and keeps them clean.
- It provides people with clean drinking water
- It runs dispensaries and health centres.
- It helps set up ration shops where the poor can get groceries at a low price.
- It gets rid of all the garbage and waste water from homes offices markets and so on.



Q8. What is a ration shop?

Ans. Ration shop is a kind of shop where the poor people can buy groceries at a low price.



Q9. Why should we pay municipal taxes honestly?

Ans. We should pay municipal taxes honestly because municipality needs money to provide services and make our life easier.

**Extra work:**

Q10. What is a ward?

Ans. Ward is one of the small areas into which a town or a city is divided for municipal elections and municipal work.

Q11. Who is the head of a municipal council?

Ans. The head of the municipal council is called the chairperson. He or she is elected by the councillors.

**Fill in the blanks:**

1. The members of a municipality are elected by the residents of the town or city.
2. The municipal body of a large City is called a municipal corporation.
3. When a person dies the municipality issues a death certificate.
4. Before a building can be built its plan must be passed by the municipality.
5. People who own houses pay property tax to the municipality.