

Preparedness of Wai and Sinnar Municipal Councils for COVID – 19

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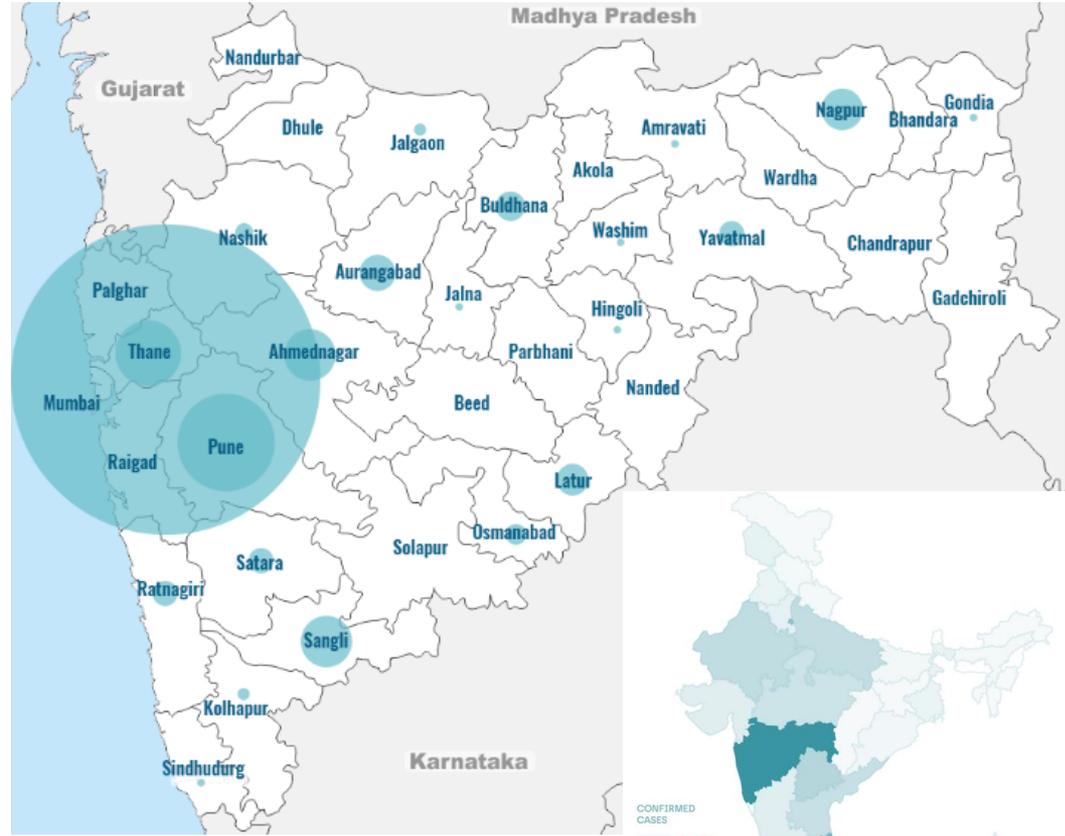
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Current COVID-19 Situation in Maharashtra

In response to COVID-19 situation Government of Maharashtra has taken proactive steps to contain the spread of the virus and at the same time provide essential services to all citizens



Source : Ministry of Health and Family Welfare Government of India as on 08 April 2022

Wai and Sinnar Councils response to COVID-19

- With directives from the State Government the municipal councils of Wai and Sinnar have proactively adopted various measures to prevent the pandemic from spreading, contain a situation of panic and devise innovation techniques using available human resources and deploying them to assist the masses.
- Both the councils have been focusing on containment, quarantine, provision of uninterrupted basic services including emergency septic tank emptying, scheduled desludging of septic tanks , FSTP operations and sanitation workers working on the front lines along with other activities to safe guard citizens.
- The activities from the councils have been categorized into the following :

1. Measures on Containment

2. Ensuring regular FSSM services

3. Protecting Front line workers & vulnerable groups

1. Measures on Containment



'Corona Kaksh' at Sinnar Municipal Council

2. Ensuring regular FSSM services



Operations in full swing at Sinnar FSTP

FSSM Services are operational in both cities with proper measures to ensure safety of sanitation workers (1/2)

Wai

FSSM

- Scheduled desludging operations are being carried out regularly
- Emergency cleaning of septic tanks is functional
- Emptying of CT/PT and HH septic tank is carried out by council on daily basis
- FSTP is operational and takes all the septage load
- Appropriate PPEs are provided and being used by service providers

Sinnar

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- Water tankers being provided by the council for maintenance of the landscape at the FSTP



FSSM Services are operational in both cities with proper measures to ensure safety of sanitation workers (2/2)

Wai

FSSM

- In order to ensure smooth operations of the ID cards and permission letters have been issued promptly by WMC
- CT/PT are cleaned regularly and citizens are made aware to maintain personal hygiene after using the CT/PT

Sinnar

FSSM

- Permission letter and ID issued to FSTP and desludging operators
- CT/PT is sanitized once in a day



3. Protecting front line workers & vulnerable groups



CWAS Team supporting Wai Municipal Council in ensuring adequate PPE for all sanitation workers

Measures to ensure safety of sanitation workers and vulnerable groups (1/2)

Wai

Efforts for San workers and Vulnerable groups

- Regular meetings for san workers to make them aware health risks
- Health camp organized by WMC for all san workers
- PPE (masks, gloves and soap) distributed
- CWAS team supported the Council to ensure that all Sanitation workers have the required PPE. Replacements have also been ensured such that it would be sufficient for 3 months

Sinnar

Efforts for San workers and Vulnerable groups

- Fogging and spraying is ongoing in all slum area
- PPE (masks and gloves) distributed to all sanitation workers
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Thank you

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