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A GIS BASED ROUTE OPTIMIZATION FOR SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT: A CASE STUDY ON INDAPUR MUNICIPALITY.

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Abstract

This paper emphasizes on existing solid waste management practices in Indapur municipal area of Pune district of Maharashtra state, India. Exponential growth of population and in round development of society and industries are responsible for increased solid waste generation in city. Whereas uncontrollable and mismanaged solid waste cause adverse environmental impacts on public health and are basis of other socio-economic problems too. For reducing the expenditure on Solid Waste Management (SWM), route optimization for collection of solid waste is major component. The objective of this paper is to give a better alternative for solid waste disposal management system by route optimization using Geographical Information System for the city. This could help not only to the competent responsible authorities in municipal solid waste management but also the researchers in this field to enhance the efficient planning and strategies in this field.

Introduction:

Wastes created by various human activities are handled, stored, collected and disposed off in various ways. Thus the waste management imposes the risk to the environment and as a result to public health if waste is improperly managed (Saxena et al., 2010; Zhu et al., 2008). The economic development, urbanization and improved living standards in cities lead to increased amount of solid waste quantity and its complexity (Gidde et al., 2008; Rathi, 2007). Generally amount of waste produced is linearly associated with economic prosperity of the concerned community (Singh et al., 2014). The continuous indiscriminate disposal of MSW is hastening and is allied with poverty, poor governance, urbanization, population growth, deprived standards of living, low level of environmental awareness and inadequate management of environmental knowledge (Rachel et al., 2009; Ogu, 2000). Solid wastes include the waste generation from various zones such as residential, commercial, institutional, industrial, agricultural, etc. Many times household and commercial wastes are considered together as urban wastes (Syed, 2006). Thus municipal solid waste (MSW) is ordinarily consists of domestic and commercial waste produced from the concerned community (Rajkumar et al., 2010). Further MSW mainly includes degradable (e.g. paper, textiles, food waste, etc.), partially degradable (e.g. wood, disposable napkins and sludge, etc.) and non-degradable materials (e.g. leather, plastics, electronic waste, etc.) (Jha et al., 2011; Herat, 2009).

About 4 billion metric tons of solid waste (SW) is generated worldwide annually. According to State Pollution Control Boards in India, 127486 Tons per day MSW is generated in year 2011-12. Considering the statistics 70% of...
total MSW generated is collected and out of which only 12.45 % is processed. (Central pollution control board, India). Table 1 gives few statistics regarding MSW generation in Indian cities.

Further in the recent years the large quantity of MSW is generated daily due to migration of people in and nearby areas of cities. This is outcome of fastly growing industrialization and population surge in India. Accordingly the complexity in Solid waste management is increasing and the requisite resources availability for providing service to citizens are shrinking (Sanjeevi V and Shahabudeen P, 2015). Lack in collection system and insufficient transportation are responsible for the accumulation of MSW at roadside areas. (Bundela et al., 2010; Gidde et al., 2008). Thus in urban areas, enormous amounts of MSW generated daily impose stress on existing facilities to treat and dispose of the solid waste. This makes MSW management crucial. Consequently due to scientific disposal of MSW hostile impact arises on the environment and human health (Rathi, 2007). It give the impression in improper management of solid waste in different areas of developing countries and the same has been reported by several researchers (Das and Bhattacharya, 2013). Improperly handled solid waste causes diverse environment impacts as well as detrimental effects on living being. India is one of the least urbanized countries of the world, yet its urban population is second largest amongst the countries of the world. Metropolitan cities (viz. Delhi, Mumbai, Chennai and Kolkata) have the population more than 42% of India's total urban population (Ghosh and Kansal, 2014). Out of these metropolitan cities Delhi found to be a topmost MSW producer in India due to its high occupancy. In the present study, an alternate proposal is suggested for optimized transportation of solid waste for disposal which can optimize the whole SWM of Indapur City Municipal Corporation.

Study area and existing waste management systems:-

**Study area:**
The proposed SWM system is designed for Indapur City Municipal Corporation (ICMC). Indapur city (latitude: 18.12º; longitude: 75.02º, Elevation: 527 m) is a taluka place covering an area of 14680 hectar situated in Pune district of Maharashtra state, India. (source: www.indiamapia.com). Refer Fig. 1. Projected population for year 2021 is about 25000 where a decadal growth rate is of about 5.17% and average annual growth rate is about 1.05%. For the analysis of population, area under the jurisdiction of ICMC is considered. For details refer Table 2. The Indapur municipality has total 17 wards decentralised in four zones viz. residential, commercial, hospital and industrial zone. Details of wards are enlisted in Table 3.

**Quality of waste:-**

**Physical characteristic:**
At Indapur density of waste is found in range of 168 kg/m³. Whereas Moisture content of solid waste is observed about 26% during normal season and 52% during monsoon. However, during winter the moisture content is noted near to average i.e. 26 to 29 %.

**Composition of municipal solid waste in Indapur:**
Due to escalating urbanization and change in community lifestyle, the rapid increase in amount of MSW and invariable changes in its composition can be observed. Fig. no. 3 illustrates the composition of MSW for Indapur city. The MSW collected in the Indapur city mainly consists of Domestic waste, waste from commercial areas, wastes from hotels and restaurants, vegetable and fruit market, bio-medical waste, and industrial solid wastes. As waste generation depends upon community lifestyle and food habit, large amount of refuse is collected in high income group followed by middle and low-income group.

Typical flow chart MSW management are represented in Fig.2. ICMC also follows the same for managing the solid waste in the city.

**Collection and storage of waste:**
The Indapur Municipal area for solid waste collection is further classified in 6 various divisions. Refer Fig. 4. Waste generation in the area is about 10 tons/day and the average per capita MSW generation is 0.167 kg/day. The details of six health units are given in the Table 4.

Solid waste containers i.e. Street litter bin are provided all over the city. However, MSW in city is collected through street sweeping with the use of traditional short-handled brooms and Door to Door collection system of domestic
waste by six number of TATA ACE Hoppers for some part of city. The solid waste in municipal area is collected through 6 subdivisions. The solid waste collection is 100% in city. Presently sweeping, collection and transportation activities are done by sanitary workers in the municipality. Further a tractor is used for transporting the collected waste to dumping ground. Refer Fig.5. Details of collection systems are enlisted in Table 5.

Transportation of waste:
Transportation of solid waste includes lifting of closed container, lifting of dead animals and lifting of silt from Nalla. The transportation of unattended waste in open plots and unwept waste in slums is also done manually and/or mechanically through variety of vehicles. Approximately four to five closed container of waste are emptied into a bigger tipper at transfer station which is taken for final transfer to land fill site by one tractor.

Processing of Waste:
Indapur City Municipal Corporation has appointed Jay Bhavani Biometric Pvt. Ltd. Baramati. For the processing of biomedical waste ICMC disposes the unsegregated Solid Waste on the dumping ground. Further the material is transferred to the segregation section where waste is isolated in various forms such as wet, Dry, recyclable and inert wastes. The waste processing and disposal plant is located at Baramati on Built Operate and Transfer basis by Jay Bhavani Biometric Pvt. Ltd. Wet waste being degradable is transferred to the window platform where the Bio-culture helps in composting of waste. Moreover Recyclable material is conveyed to the recycle plant and inert material along with debris will be transported to the landfill. Plastic material is also reprocessed and utilized as by-product helping in saving the cost of project.

Disposal of Waste:
The inert material leftover after processing are dumped at ITI ground site which are approximately 25% of total collected waste.

Proposed GIS based Route optimization of solid waste collection system:-
In the present work two cases in view of alternate disposal points are considered. In first case only a single dumping site is considered where the entire solid waste of the city of Indapur is dumped. This is an existing set-up at city. In second case one extra site is proposed at different location in the city. The cost economics of both the cases has been worked out bearing in mind expenditure with respect to transportation of MSW, site maintenance, labour required. Thus the two cases are compared.

The total waste generated from 6 health units in Indapur city is about 10 tons per day. For transporting this waste from source to dumping site, Ghantagadi are required.

Case I: single Dumping Site:-
In this case the solid waste collected at six health components is transported to single dumping site located near ITI College in south area of Indapur. The entire waste is expected to be land filled. Total quantity of waste collected per day and distances between generation node and dumpsite are showed in table 6.

Case II: Two Dumping Sites:
In second case total three dumping sites are considered viz. near ITI College (Akluj road depot), Kalthan road depotand opposite Tembhurni Naka. Optimized distances are obtained from various combinations of health units and dumping sites with the help of QGIS previously known as Quantum GIS software. The key point in using this software is its flexibly in manoeuvre. It is user friendly, easily available in market. Besides it is open source desktop GIS. Application provides data viewing, editing and analysis. The optimized routes for all the health units are mentioned in Fig. 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12. Refer Table 7 shows for the details of minimum distances.

Estimating Transportation Cost:-
Transportation cost of MSW includes cost of vehicle, cost of fuel, salaries of driver and helper and operation and maintenance cost of Vehicles. Transportation cost is calculated with the reference to “Municipal Solid Waste Management on a Regional Basis by Ministry of Urban Development Government Of India”.

Expenditure on vehicles required:
Refer Table 8.
Assumptions:
- Quantity of waste generated/collected in Tons per day (TPD): 10
- Rejects from composting facility (@35%) (TPD): 3.5
- Vehicle capacity (Ghantagadi): 1 T
- Maximum number of trips per truck per day: 1.5
- Vehicle speed- counting tipping time, vehicle stoppages and halts: (average) 25 (km/hr.)
- Vehicle mileage (km per litre): 4.5
- Cost of vehicle (INR): 8,00,000
- Maintenance of vehicle: 6% of Capital
- Current diesel price (INR /litre): 65
- Salary of driver (INR per month): 8,000
- Salary of helper (INR Per month): 5,000

Expenditure on fuel consumption:
Refer Table 9 and 10 for estimating expenditure in Case I and II respectively.

Expenditure on salary:
Refer Table 11 for calculation of associated salaries.

Operation & Maintenance cost:
Refer Table 12 for operation and maintenance cost of vehicles.

Estimation Total cost of transportation of SW:
Refer Table 13 and 14 for total cost of transportation in case of Case I and Case II respectively.

Results and Discussions:
In solid waste management system, collection and transportation of solid waste is the most important process for total disposal cost. As solid waste disposal is an essential service, requisite investments in it have to be justified on the basis of least cost and technologically feasible option for achieving maximum efficiency. The total cost of transportation for both considered cases is estimated as in table 3.14 and 3.15. Presently ICMC is spending around 19 lakh annually as in case I for collection of SW in city. In order to decrease the total disposal cost it is necessary to perform route optimization on current solid waste transportation paths (Case I). Thus optimized route for final transportation of MSW is revealed as in Case II which saves lot of cost as well as makes Solid waste transportation and its management more efficient.

Conclusion:
In the present work an effort has been made to design and develop an appropriate collection, transportation plan for the Indapur city Municipality Corporation (ICMC). Here GIS based optimal model is developed and used to trace the least cost. This minimum cost is with respect to distance efficient collection path in transferring the solid waste to the open dumping ground. Case II with three different dumping sites and associated minimum paths could be adopted as it saves around 3 lakhs than the current expenditure on SWM. Thus the proposed model can be adopted by the concerned authority. Further use of GIS can be adopted as a decision support tool by the municipal authorities for efficient solid waste management with respect to transportation issues.

Fig.1:- Location of Indapur City, Dist.: Pune, Maharashtra state, India
Fig. 2: Typical flow chart of municipal SWM (Khan, Samadder, 2014)

MSW Composition of Indapur City

- Series 1, Compostable, 44.67%
- Series 1, Paper, 17.9%
- Series 1, Plastic, 17.21%
- Series 1, Earthen Matter, 12.78%
- Series 1, Lather, 3.21%
- Series 1, Glass, 1.72%
- Series 1, Metal, 3.24%
- Series 1, Rag, 3.39%

Fig. 3: Composition of MSW of Indapur City.

Fig. 4: Health Units of Indapur City
Fig. 5: Solid waste collection equipments used in ICMC

Fig. 6: Jay Bhawani Bio-Medical Treatment Plant

Fig. 7: Optimized route for Health Unit – 1

Fig. 8: Optimized route for Health Unit – 6
Table 1:- MSW generation in India

| S. No. | Name of City | Municipal Solid Waste (Tonnes per day) during 2010-11 |
|--------|--------------|------------------------------------------------------|
| 1.     | Hyderabad    | 4200                                                 |
| 2.     | Delhi        | 6800                                                 |
| 3.     | Mumbai       | 6500                                                 |
4. Cheennai 4500
5. Bangalore 3700
6. Kolkata 3670
7. Ahmedabad 2300
8. Pune 1300
9. Jammu 300
10. Nagpur 650
11. Nashik 350
12. Asansol 210
13. Gandhinagar 97
14. Jamshedpur 28
15. Gangtok 26
16. Panjim 25
17. Indapur 10

Table 2:- Population Growth: 1951-2021

| Year | Population |
|------|------------|
| 1951 | 4325       |
| 1961 | 5728       |
| 1971 | 6718       |
| 1981 | 9418       |
| 1991 | 17051      |
| 2001 | 21592      |
| 2011 | 23481      |
| 2021 | 25442*     |

*Projected Population
(Source: Census of India, 2011)

Table 3:- Zone Wise Distribution of 17 Wards

| Zone | Total No. of Wards | Ward |
|------|--------------------|------|
| 1    | 5                  | 1,2,5,7 and 16 |
| 2    | 6                  | 6,8,10,12,14,15 |
| 3    | 3                  | 3,4 and 9 |
| 4    | 3                  | 11,13 and 17 |

(Source: SWM DPR, ICMC, 2013)

Table 4:- Details of Health Units

| Health Unit No. | Ward No. | Main Area            | SW Generated (Ton/Day) |
|-----------------|----------|----------------------|------------------------|
| 1               | 1,2,5    | Vp College Road      | 1.5                    |
| 2               | 11,13,17 | Kalthan Road         | 1.75                   |
| 3               | 12,14,15 | Shree Ram Society    | 1.15                   |
| 4               | 3,4,9    | Bus Stand Area       | 2                      |
| 5               | 6,8,10   | Main Peth            | 2.6                    |
| 6               | 7,16     | Baramati-AklujChowk  | 1.2                    |

Table 5:- Details of Collection points

| Tractor No. | wards   | Collection point               |
|-------------|---------|--------------------------------|
| 1           | 1,2,5,7,16 | Akluj - BaramatiChowk         |
| 2           | 6,8,10,12,14,15 | Shree Ram Society &Tembhurni Naka |
| 3           | 3,4,9    | Indapur Bus Stand             |
| 4           | 11,13,17 | Kalthan Road                  |
### Table 6: Distances for CASE I

| Health Units | W (ton per day) | Distance (km) |
|--------------|----------------|---------------|
|              | Akluj road depot |               |
| 1            | 1.5             | 1.7           |
| 2            | 1.75            | 3             |
| 3            | 1.15            | 3.4           |
| 4            | 2               | 3.5           |
| 5            | 2.6             | 2.8           |
| 6            | 1.2             | 0.5           |

### Table 7: Distances for CASE II

| Health Unit no. | W (Ton/ day) | Distance in Km |
|-----------------|--------------|----------------|
|                 | Akluj road depot | Tembhurni Naka | Kalthan road |
| 1               | 1.5          | 1.7            | -            |
| 2               | 1.75         | -              | 1.3          |
| 3               | 1.15         | -              | 1.5          |
| 4               | 2            | -              | 1.8          |
| 5               | 2.6          | -              | 1.6          |
| 6               | 1.2          | 0.5            | -            |

### Table 8: Number of Vehicles Required

| Waste to transported (TPD) | Waste transported per vehicle per day (TPD) | No. of Vehicles required | No. of Drivers required | Total cost of vehicles (INR in Lakh) |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 10                        | 1.67                                      | 6                        | 6                        | 48                                  |

### Table 9: Cost of Fuel for case I

| Health Unit | W (Ton) | Distance (Km) | Total Distance covered by Vehicle | Diesel required per day in Litre | Cost of diesel per day (INR) | Cost of Diesel per Month (INR) | Cost of Diesel per annum (INR) |
|-------------|---------|---------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1           | 1.5     | 1.7           | 5.1                               | 1.14                            | 75                          | 2250                           | 27000                         |
| 2           | 1.75    | 3             | 9                                 | 2                               | 130                         | 8450                           | 101400                        |
| 3           | 1.15    | 3.4           | 10.2                              | 2.27                            | 147.55                      | 9590.75                        | 115089                        |
| 4           | 2       | 3.5           | 10.5                              | 2.34                            | 152.1                       | 9886.50                        | 118638                        |
| 5           | 2.6     | 2.8           | 8.2                               | 1.82                            | 118.35                      | 7692.75                        | 92313                         |
| 6           | 1.2     | 0.5           | 1                                 | 0.25                            | 16.25                       | 1056.25                        | 12675                         |
| Total       | 10.2    | 14.9          | 44                                | 9.82                            | 1,297.55                    | 38,926.25                      | 4,67,115                      |

### Table 10: Cost of Fuel for case II

| Health Unit | W (Ton) | Distance (Km) | Total Distance covered by Vehicle | Diesel required per day (litre) | Cost of diesel per day (INR) | Cost of Diesel per Month (INR) | Cost of Diesel per annum (INR) |
|-------------|---------|---------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1           | 1.5     | 1.7           | 5.1                               | 1.14                            | 75                          | 2250                           | 27000                         |
| 2           | 1.75    | 1.3           | 3.9                               | 0.86                            | 58                          | 1740                           | 28080                         |
| 3           | 1.15    | 1.5           | 4.5                               | 0.22                            | 15                          | 450                            | 5400                          |
| 4           | 2       | 1.8           | 5.4                               | 1.20                            | 79                          | 2370                           | 28440                         |
| 5           | 2.6     | 1.6           | 4.8                               | 1.07                            | 70                          | 2100                           | 25200                         |
| 6           | 1.2     | 0.5           | 01                                | 0.22                            | 15                          | 450                            | 5400                          |
| Total       | 10.2    | 8.4           | 24.7                              | 5.49                            | 364                         | 10,890                         | 1,30,680                      |
Table 11: Salaries

| Total Waste to be Transported per day | NO. of Drivers Required | Salary per month (INR) | NO. of Helpers required | Salary per month (INR) | Total salary per month (INR) | Total salary per Annum (INR in Lakh) |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 10.2                                 | 7                       | 8,000                  | 7                       | 5,000                  | 91,000                     | 10.92                           |

Table 12: O & M of Vehicles

| Total Waste to be transported Tonne per day | NO. of Vehicles Required | Total cost of Vehicles (INR in Lakh) | Maintenance Cost (INR in Lakh) |
|-------------------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 10.2                                      | 7                        | 56                                  | 3.36                           |

Table 13: Total cost of Transportation (per annum) for CASE I

| Total Waste to be transported Tonne per day | Cost of fuel (INR in Lakh) | Salaries of worker (INR in Lakh) | Cost of Maintenance (INR in Lakh) | Total Cost (INR in Lakh) |
|-------------------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------|
| 10.2                                      | 4.67                       | 10.92                           | 3.36                              | 18.95                  |

Table 14: Total Cost of Transportation (per annum) for CASE II

| Total Waste to be Transported Tonne per day | Cost of fuel (INR in Lakh) | Salaries of worker (INR in Lakh) | Cost of Maintenance (INR in Lakh) | Total Cost (INR in Lakh) |
|-------------------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------|
| 10.2                                      | 1.30                       | 10.92                           | 3.36                              | 15.5                   |

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