

APPENDIX 1 WORD LIST AND ABBREVIATIONS

Indian usage	General usage, other terms	Definition or description
	articulated	Also known as semi-trailer - a trailer with wheels at the back is pulled by a tractor which is similar to a short heavy truck.
	availability	The percentage of time that a vehicle or piece of equipment is in a serviceable condition and ready to be used.
chowki	muster station	Municipal office to which labourers report at the beginning and end of the day's work
colonies	housing estates	One or more multidwelling building(s) erected and managed by an organisation
conservancy	sanitation department	Originally concerned with the management wastes from bucket latrines, but now, as bucket latrines are phased out, conservancy departments are concerned with solid waste and cleaning of public toilets
crore		ten million (Rs 1 crore is roughly US\$ 300 000)
dumper-placer	container hoist truck, skip truck	Truck which lifts container off ground by means of chains, for transportation and emptying by tipping; container rests between lifting arms.
dumping ground	dump, tip	Place where solid waste is deposited as a final resting place, that is not controlled and where no attempt has been made to minimise pollution
dustbin	solid waste container	This term can be used for a wide range of types and sizes of waste containers in India, including masonry enclosures.
godown	warehouse, store	Used to describe warehouses of conventional construction, but also used for rough shelters used to store salvaged items that are to be recycled.
halalkhore	toilet cleaner	Responsible for cleaning excreta, not other types of solid waste, from toilets, roads or elsewhere
kabariwallah	Itinerant waste buyer	Person going door-to-door to buy clean materials such as newspaper or glass, that have been kept separate from the solid waste that is discarded
lakh, lac	one hundred thousand	Rs 1,00,000 is approximately US \$ 3000.
motor loaders	vehicle crew	Labourers who load waste into collection vehicles
mukadam	foreman	The lowest level of supervision, in charge of up to about 15 labourers, not expected to do manual work
nullah	drain	Usually an open, natural drainage path
pelletisation plant	RDF plant	Plant for producing cylindrical pellets of dried, combustible waste for use in boilers as a substitute for coal. (RDF = refuse-derived fuel)
peon		Lowest grade of administrative employee in administrative organisations
pipe bin		Enclosure for waste without floor made from a section of iron, steel or concrete pipe

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rag-picker	scavenger	Man, woman or child who sorts through waste at a community storage point or disposal site, looking for items that can be sold, reused or recycled.
roll-off	hook lift, or arm roll, or roll-on, roll-off	Truck-mounted system for lifting containers onto the back of a flat-bed truck by a hydraulically-operated hook or by cables; containers are emptied by tipping.
scavenger	sweeper	Person responsible for emptying bucket latrines, street sweeper.
trolley bin	wheeled container	Steel, trough-like bins that roll on three steel wheels, capacity 1m ³ , emptied by hydraulic mechanism on compactor trucks (photograph 7)
wheel barrow	handcart	Also known as pushcart, here used to refer to a cart with two, three or four wheels, that is propelled by the effort of the labourer

List of Abbreviations

AMC	Ahmedabad Municipal Corporation
BMC	See MCGM
BRC	Bulk refuse carriers - large trucks used to carry waste from a transfer station to a disposal point (Chapter B-1)
ESI	Employees' State Insurance
FRP	Fibre-reinforced plastic also known as glass fibre.
J.O.	Junior overseer - supervisor above the level of mukadam
MCGB	See MCGM
MCGM	Municipal Corporation of Greater Mumbai - the local government body responsible for running the City. During the time of the study the name <i>Bombay</i> was used, so the Corporation was known as MCGB. Before that it was known as BMC (Bombay Municipal Corporation). The current formal name for the MCGM is Brihan Mumbai Mahanagarpalika.
MTS	Mahalaxmi transfer station - the large split-level transfer facility in Mumbai (chapter B-1)
NEERI	National Environmental Engineering Research Institute, Nagpur
RMC	Rajkot Municipal Corporation, Gujarat
SI	Sanitary inspector - employee of the Health Department of a Municipal Corporation, with supervision responsibilities at the Ward level.
SSI	Sanitary Sub Inspector - under a Sanitary Inspector, also at Ward level.
STS	Small transfer station as described in chapter A-3

Exchange rates

The value of the Rupee varied during the three years of study reported here, but an approximate exchange rate of Rs 30 to US\$ 1 gives a reasonable guide to the international value of the Rupee.

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