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Urban Environmental Problems of Anantapur Municipal Corporation, Andhra Pradesh, India

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ABSTRACT

The Anantapur Municipal Corporation covers an area of about 2683 hectares. The Anantapur Municipal Corporation is geographically located at 16⁰.41¹ North latitude and 77⁰.36¹ East longitude. It is the district head quarter of the Anantapur district. The major urban problems of the Anantapur municipality are unbalanced development of the Municipal Corporation, pollution (air, noise, water and dust pollution) development of urban slums, shortage of housing, highly congested central business area of the Anantapur Municipal Corporation, high intensity of residential concentration in the old town, absence of organized commercial areas and shopping centres with sufficient parking and storage facility, in adequate city services like water supply, drainage, traffic and transportation, narrow circulation pattern of roads in the old town area, development of slums, encroachment of tanks and solid waste disposals. An analysis is found the quality urban life is poor and moderate. The environmental impact assessment index is low.

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