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Rajkot to face severe water shortage in four months

A serious drinking water crisis is looming at Rajkot in the coming months. Bad monsoon has rendered the reservoirs from which the city draws water nearly dry already. Authorities estimate that by April if water from Narmada is not poured into Rajkot's pipelines, its 2.77 lakh households will be parched. *DNA, November 26, 2014*

http://epaper.dnaindia.com/story.aspx?id=57166&boxid=7775&ed_date=2014-11-26&ed_code=1310005&ed_page=1

Residents of Bhagwatinagar in Nicole do not get water even after paying tax, Ahmedabad

There are no basic facilities including water, road, drainage and streetlight facility in Bhagwatinagar society located in Nicole ward of Ahmedabad. Residents protested against the corporation over the issue. *Divya Bhaskar, 26 November 2014*

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/MGUJ-AHM-MAT-latest-ahmedabad-news-044004-913590-NOR.html>

Gujarat Samachar, November 26, 2014

http://www.gujaratsamachar.com/index.php/articles/display_article/amdavad-nicole-also-take-myuniteksa-bhagavatinagara-not-getting-drinking-water

Epidemic fear due to waste water overflow on road, Vadodara

Due to overflowing septic tank of Amin Park society in Makarpura, residents of Gujarat Housing Board fear epidemic spread. *Divya Bhaskar, 26 November 2014*

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/MGUJ-VAD-MAT-latest-vadodara-news-025503-911734-NOR.html>

Waste water spilled over Vajsurpara road of Jasdan

Waste water is overflowing on Vajsurpara road of Jasdan. The city is surrounded by grime and muck. People fear pandemic spread in the city. *Sandesh, November 26, 2014*

<http://www.sandesh.com/article.aspx?newsid=3013442>

Women protest against Surendranagar Municipality over water issues

More than 1000 residents of Prajapati Park in ward no. 1 of Surendranagar city are troubled with inadequate and irregular water supply. Even after registering complaint, there was no solution. So, women residents protested against the municipality. *Sandesh, November 26, 2014*

<http://www.sandesh.com/article.aspx?newsid=3013682>

Jaundice ripples from dirty tanks, Ahmedabad

The jaundice outbreak in Saraspur ward, which has already seen 164 cases, has rather uncanny villain. They are the underground water tanks from which each household in 24 chawl clusters draws water. Most of these cement tanks are dirty, with layers of grime and dust. *Times of India, November 25, 2014*

<http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/ahmedabad/Jaundice-ripples-from-dirty-tanks/articleshow/45265244.cms>

New water connections stopped in Jamnagar

There are water crisis in Jamnagar city from last few days. High power committee has been formed to make decisions on providing water to the city. It has been decided that no new connections will be given. *Divya Bhaskar, 25 November 2014*

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/SAU-JAMN-water-line-in-jamnagar-latest-news-4818186-NOR.html>

Increased awareness to keep surroundings clean, Bhavnagar

Saurashtra Samachar Divya Bhaskar's group initiated cleanliness campaign in the city. The campaign has received good response. However, due to administration's mismanagement there are dirty surroundings in the city. *Divya Bhaskar, 25 November 2014*

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/SAU-BVN-increased-awareness-to-do-not-spread-dirt-in-people-4818328-PHO.html>

Disease spread due to contaminated water consumption, Patan

Divya Bhaskar, 25 November 2014

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/UGUJ-PAT-70-health-deteriorates-from-contaminated-water-in-to-areas-4818254-NOR.html>

Corruption allegations in sanitation department in Radhanpur

There is no tender procedure followed by the sanitation department of Radhanpur. There are allegations for corruption in the department. *Divya Bhaskar, 25 November 2014*

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/UGUJ-MAT-latest-radhanpur-news-030506-905555-NOR.html>

70 more water samples taken from Saraspur, Jaundice observed in Rakhial

Divya Bhaskar, 25 November 2014

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/MGUJ-AHM-c-69-1086515-NOR.html>

Despite incurring huge cost of Rs. 550 crore, contaminated water all-around, Ahmedabad

Gujarat Samachar, November 25, 2014

http://www.gujaratsamachar.com/index.php/articles/display_article/amdavad-despite-the-huge-cost-of-550-crore-contaminated-water-everywhere

Contaminated water supply in sector 6, Gandhinagar

There is contaminated water supply in 'Ch' type blocks of sector 6 in Gandhinagar. The water is purple in colour. Residents are shocked with the colour and fear epidemic spread in the area. *Sandesh, November 25, 2014*

<http://www.sandesh.com/article.aspx?newsid=3013219>

Overflowing waste water in Ankleshwar

Residents of Keshav Park society in Ankleshwar city are troubled with overflowing waste water in the area. The problem is prevalent since many days. *Sandesh, November 25, 2014*

<http://www.sandesh.com/article.aspx?newsid=3012984>

RMC eases rules for second water connection

RAJKOT: The Rajkot Municipal Corporation (RMC) has decided to allot a second drinking water connection to those families having five and more members. The decision will help residents who require more water due to their family size while RMC aims to reduce the non-revenue water supply and water thefts. *Times of India, November 24, 2014*

<http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/rajkot/RMC-eases-rules-for-second-water-connection/articleshow/45256195.cms>

Open Toilet Shame, Ahmedabad

Jodhpur Gam residents were to get one loo for each family under Nirmal Gujarat Shauchalaya Yojna in 2012, but not one has seen light of day. The ambitious Swachh Bharat campaign by Prime Minister Narendra Modi aims to do away with open defecation by constructing toilets in every household by 2019. As chief minister, Modi had propagated the 'Pehle Shauchalaya, Phir Devalaya' (first a toilet and then a temple) slogan in Gujarat. Taking a cue, the present Chief Minister Anandi Patel had sent thousands of rakhis on Raksha Bandhan day with the 'toilet-in-every-home' message to promote sanitation. *Ahmedabad Mirror, November 24, 2014*

http://epaperbeta.timesofindia.com/Gallery.aspx?id=24_11_2014_001_006_006&type=P&artUri=OPEN-TOILET-SHAME-2-YRS-AND-COUNTING-BUT-24112014001006&eid=31819

Jaundice hits Ahmedabad

With the rise in cases of jaundice to 60 in the Saraspur area of the city, state Chief Secretary D J Pandian held an urgent meeting with Municipal Commissioners D Thara and reviewed the situation. He also instructed the civic officials to pay more attention to spread information, education and communication (IEC) among general public and augment chlorination in the affected places. *Indian Express, November 24, 2014*

<http://epaper.indianexpress.com/381323/Ahmedabad/24-November-2014#page/5/2>

Divya Bhaskar, 24 November 2014

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news-ht/MGUJ-AHM-c-69-1086507-NOR.html>

Akila, November 24, 2014

<http://www.akilanews.com/24112014/gujarat-news/1416812414-26508>

Lack of cleanliness pollutes Damnagar

There is heaps of garbage all-around in Damnagar city due to lack of cleanliness. The garbage is stinking, polluting the city. *Divya Bhaskar, 24 November 2014*

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/SAU-POR-pollution-in-damnagar-latest-news-4817071-NOR.html>

Waste water overflows on the roads, fear of epidemic, Khedbrahma

Divya Bhaskar, 24 November 2014

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/UGUJ-MAT-latest-khedbrahma-news-054508-902877-NOR.html>

Increased pollution in Chitra GIDC area, Bhavnagar

The industrial units based in Chitra GIDC are increasing polluting in the area, affecting the health of people. *Divya Bhaskar, November 24, 2014*

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/SAU-BVN-MAT-latest-bhavnagar-news-044018-902687-NOR.html>

Cleanliness message through WhatsApp, Bhavnagar

Bhavnagar Corporation has initiated cleanliness campaign in the city. Citizens have responded well by clicking photographs and sending it through WhatsApp with date, time and address. *Divya Bhaskar*, 24 November 2014

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/SAU-BVN-MAT-latest-bhavnagar-news-044017-902698-NOR.html>

Illegal water connections regularized, Vadhavan

People living in remote locations in Vadhavan city do not get water regularly. The municipality has spent Rs. 50 crores on water scheme in the city. However, there is no solution. Plan to supply water to such 7000 people of remote location from 25th December has been worked out. *Sandesh*, November 24, 2014

<http://www.sandesh.com/article.aspx?newsid=3012853>

Lack of toilet facility in slum area, Gandhidham

There are no toilets in GIDC slum area of Gandhidham. Residents are troubled due to lack of water, toilet and electricity. *Kutch Mitra*, November 24, 2014

http://www.kutchmitradaily.com/article.aspx?site_id=3&news_id=53121

Rajkot civic body to give second water connections to residents

RAJKOT: The Rajkot Municipal Corporation (RMC) has decided to allot second water connection to five member family size and above. Till now, RMC give second water connection only those family whose family member size is seven and above. RMC's standing committee approved the proposal and gave a go-ahead. *Times of India*, November 23, 2014

<http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/rajkot/Rajkot-civic-body-to-give-second-water-connections-to-residents/articleshow/45246717.cms>

Waste water discharge in residential area makes surroundings mucky and grimy, Bhavnagar

Divya Bhaskar, 23 November 2014

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/SAU-BVN-MAT-latest-bhavnagar-news-054505-897347-NOR.html>

Cleaning equipments lying idle in Dabhoi

Dabhoi city is dirty and mucky. Under the Swarnim Nirmal Gujarat scheme initiated by state government, the city had procured 100 dustbins and other vehicles, which is lying idle in the city. *Sandesh*, November 23, 2014

<http://www.sandesh.com/article.aspx?newsid=3012331>

Water theft from Veri lake, Gondal,

Sandesh, November 23, 2014

<http://www.sandesh.com/article.aspx?newsid=3012370>

70% of sewage treatment plants remain idle due to high running costs, Javadekar

Union Minister for Environment and Forests Prakash Javadekar said that 70 percent of all sewage treatment plants in India are not working due to high cost of running them. While saying so he added that there was a need to find out India specific model to tackle the issue of waste management. *Indian Express*, November 22, 2014

<http://epaper.indianexpress.com/380026/Ahmedabad/22-November-2014#page/4/2>

Women protest against municipality over sanitation issues, Bharuch

Women from Kachiyawad area located on MG Road in Bharuch were troubled with overflowing waste water from many days. The infuriated women protest against the municipality. *Divya Bhaskar, 22 November 2014*

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/DGUJ-BHA-MAT-latest-bharuch-news-043509-891977-NOR.html>

Sandesh, November 22, 2014

<http://www.sandesh.com/article.aspx?newsid=3011901>

Physical work of underground drainage in Gokul Vihar area of ward no. 3 initiated, Vapi

Divya Bhaskar, 22 November 2014

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/DGUJ-MAT-latest-vapi-news-035014-891178-NOR.html>

Drainage work initiated in Padra

Drainage work costing Rs. 15 crores has been initiated in Padra. *Divya Bhaskar, 22 November 2014*

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/MGUJ-MAT-latest-padra-news-050511-891957-NOR.html>

Corruption allegations in underground drainage work, Jam Khambhaliya

Physical work of underground drainage is in progress in Jam Khambhaliya from last 8 months. There are allegations of corruption in the physical work in the city. *Divya Bhaskar, 22 November 2014*

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/SAU-MAT-latest-jam-khambhaliya-news-045513-892125-NOR.html>

Push through method adopted from drainage line fitting, Bhuj

Drainage fitting work is going on in many areas in Bhuj city from last 12 months. For the first time 'push through' method will be used for drainage fitting on college road going towards Mangalam. *Divya Bhaskar, 22 November 2014*

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/KUT-BUJ-push-throu-system-dranag-line-firing-in-bhuj-4815267-NOR.html>

35 drinking water samples found unfit, Ahmedabad

Divya Bhaskar, 22 November 2014

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/MGUJ-AHM-MAT-latest-ahmedabad-news-024003-889978-NOR.html>

Fault in water supply pipeline, lakh litres water wasted, Rajkot

There was fault in water supply pipeline in Rajkot city, resulting in wastage of lakhs of litres of water. Daily there is one area where there is fault in water supply pipeline. *Divya Bhaskar, 22 November 2014*

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/SAU-RJK-MAT-latest-rajkot-news-034018-891125-NOR.html>

No proper municipal solid waste disposal system in Gariyadhar

Regular municipal collection is undertaken in Gariyadhar city. However, government established organic fertilizer plant is defunct. There is no proper disposal of system of solid waste in the city. *Gujarat Samachar, November 22, 2014*

http://www.gujaratsamachar.com/index.php/articles/display_article/gariyadhar-proper-disposal-of-solid-waste-in-the-system

Loss of 100 crores to water supply scheme

Dharoi and Narmada based water supply board supplying water to 8 municipalities and 596 villages of Mehsana and Patan districts of North Gujarat incur loss of approximate 100 crores. This is mainly due to the municipality's readiness to pay tax. *Gujarat Samachar, November 22, 2014*

http://www.gujaratsamachar.com/index.php/articles/display_article/dharoi-north-gujarat-and-the-narmada-water-supply-scheme

Zero waste city will be created in Gujarat

International conference on 'Waste Tech' was organized in Gandhinagar. The Chief Minister expressed that zero waste cities will be created in Gujarat till 2025. *Gujarat Samachar, November 22, 2014*

http://www.gujaratsamachar.com/index.php/articles/display_article/mahatma-mandir-in-gandhinagar-in-gujarat-anandiben-patel

Kutch will get 40 MLD more water from Bhachau

Kutch Mitra, November 22, 2014

http://www.kutchmitradaily.com/article.aspx?site_id=3&news_id=52933

Drainage mapping of main cities soon: IMD official

AHMEDABAD: Mapping of drainage will be carried out in all cities of the country as it is necessary if flooding is to be prevented in these places, said LS Rathore, director general of meteorology, Indian Meteorological Department (IMD), on Thursday. Mapping of drainage will help cities take preventive measures following a heavy rainfall warning. In a warning about heavy rainfall, the IMD predicts the amount of rainfall that will take place in a specific area. If a drainage map is ready with the civic authorities of the concerned city, they would be able to know which area is likely to be flooded and would be able to take necessary measures, said Rathore. *Times of India, November 21, 2014*

<http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/ahmedabad/Drainage-mapping-of-main-cities-soon-IMD-official/articleshow/45223994.cms>

Finnish firms to set up waste management plants in Vadodara

VADODARA: The city may finally have quality animal waste and solid waste management system in coming years. Companies from Finland are planning to set up animal waste management, solid waste management and sewage treatment plants in the city. A group of delegates from Finland will sign an MoU with the state government during the Vibrant Gujarat summit in 2015. *Times of India, November 21, 2014*

<http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/vadodara/Finnish-firms-to-set-up-waste-management-plants-in-Vadodara/articleshow/45228766.cms>

Divya Bhaskar, 21 November 2014

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/MGUJ-VAD-waste-management-industrial-park-will-be-finished-in-vadodara-4814100-NOR.html>

Issues in water supply pipeline, Navasari

Divya Bhaskar, 21 November 2014

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/DGUJ-NAV-navsari-water-line-issue-latest-news-4813937-NOR.html>

Underground drainage work will be completed in 2 years, Vapi

Divya Bhaskar, 21 November 2014

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/DGUJ-MAT-latest-vapi-news-060005-886664-NOR.html>

No water is Karjan Primary school

There is no water in Jalaram Primary school located in Jalaram nagar areas of Karjan. *Divya Bhaskar, 21 November 2014*

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/MGUJ-MAT-latest-karjan-news-045502-886323-NOR.html>

No municipal waste treatment plant in Mehsana

Divya Bhaskar, 21 November 2014

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/UGUJ-MEH-MAT-latest-mehsana-news-035507-885491-NOR.html>

Irregular waste collection in Ahmedabad

Divya Bhaskar, 21 November 2014

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/MGUJ-AHM-door-to-door-not-take-any-action-against-company-4813977-PHO.html>

Citizens troubled with overflowing waste water and grimy surroundings, Mehsana

Gujarat Samachar, November 21, 2014

http://www.gujaratsamachar.com/index.php/articles/display_article/mehsana-in-north-gujarat-drain-water-over-the-road

Regular repairing and maintenance required to maintain sewer system, Bhavnagar

Gujarat Samachar, November 21, 2014

http://www.gujaratsamachar.com/index.php/articles/display_article/regular-repairs-necessary-to-maintain-the-city-s-sewer-system

Water crisis in Bhanvad

Sandesh, November 21, 2014

<http://www.sandesh.com/article.aspx?newsid=3011560>

200 merchants and residents penalized from polluting surroundings, Dehgam

Sandesh, November 21, 2014

<http://www.sandesh.com/article.aspx?newsid=3011689>

Surat has just 190 public toilets for 45L population

SURAT: Imagine this: You are driving on the Athwalines Road and need to answer nature's call. Once you have crossed the traffic junction at Athwa Chowpaty, you won't find a single

pay-and-use toilet on the entire two-km stretch till Piplod. A public toilet at Lakeview garden could just skip from one's mind due to its awkward location. One has no option but to travel all the way to Gaurav Path and urinate in the open, probably behind the bus-stops, which are deserted throughout the day and night. But, for the women and young girls, there are no options as the ladies section of the public toilets are either non-functional or stinking. *Times of India, November 20, 2014*

<http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/surat/Surat-has-just-190-public-toilets-for-45L-population/articleshow/45215856.cms>

Decision to stop muster procedure for toilets

Sandesh, November 20, 2014

<http://www.sandesh.com/article.aspx?newsid=3011247>

Waste water overflowing near Shahid Chowk in Valsad

Divya Bhaskar, 20 November 2014

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/DGUJ-VAL-MAT-latest-valsad-news-041508-880101-NOR.html>

Water-borne disease spread in Petlad

Divya Bhaskar, 20 November 2014

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/MGUJ-ANA-raging-epidemic-more-than-19-cases-4812874-PHO.html>

Contaminated water supply on Ajwa road, Vadodara

Residents of Panchawati society and Shivkrupa flat near Navjeevan post office on Ajwa road were troubled with contaminated water supply. *Divya Bhaskar, 20 November 2014*

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/MGUJ-VAD-MAT-latest-vadodara-news-032513-878580-NOR.html>

Mineral water plant, a blessing from Visnagar citizens

Divya Bhaskar, 20 November 2014

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/UGUJ-MAT-latest-visnagar-news-042008-879898-NOR.html>

No water supply to Amannagar residents from 6 years, Bhuj

Divya Bhaskar, 20 November 2014

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/KUT-BUJ-amnagar-not-get-water-after-six-year-4812944-NOR.html>

Kutch Mitra, November 20, 2014

http://www.kutchmitradaily.com/article.aspx?site_id=3&news_id=52736

Income of Rs. 12 lakh per ton through e-waste recycling

Gujarat Samachar, November 20, 2014

http://www.gujaratsamachar.com/index.php/articles/display_article/gujarat-vadodara-e-waste-and-plastic-waste-taiwan

Citizens protest against Rapar Municipality over inadequate water issues

Gujarat Samachar, November 20, 2014

http://www.gujaratsamachar.com/index.php/articles/display_article/temples-of-gujarat-kutch-bhuj-water-movement

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