



# A Monthly E-Newsletter by Nabadwip Municipality

## TOWN FEATURES

### NABADWIP MUNICIPALITY

#### OVER VIEW OF THE MUNICIPALITY

#### SOCIO - ECONOMIC PROFILE OF THE TOWN OF NABADWIP

#### Special features of the Town & ULB

The town of Nabadwip exists by the western bank of the river, Bhagirathi in the district of Nadia in the State of West Bengal. It is an ancient and unplanned town of an area of 11.66 Sq.Km with its own population of 1, 15,036 as per Census – 2001.

The density of population is 9866 per Sq Km. the number of population living in the slums is 49321 representing 42.78% of its population.

This is a flood - prone town which witnessed devastating flood in the year 1971, 1981, 1999, 2000 and 2006. In almost all other years this town experienced flood like situation.

#### Historical back-ground of the town of Nabadwip

No reliable information can be obtained regarding the time and circumstances of the origin of Nabadwip ( alias Nadia ).The earliest authentic fact on record about it is that, in the twelfth century, it was the capital of Lakshman Sen, the last Hindu Sovereign of Bengal .

After the conquest of Bakhtiyar Khillji, Nabadwip remained practically forgotten in history till the arrival of Chaitanya. Minhaj -I- Siraj rights that the merchants and scholars had left the city before the raid and after the plunder, they did not return for fear of Bakhtiyar. The city, therefore, remained deserted, although in later coins, there was a mention of the revenue of Nadia.

The removal of the seat of Government from Nadia to Gour led to its decay and insignificance. It did not, however, altogether cease to exist, but continued as a seat of learning, where many Pandit (Scholar), learned in law and theology ,rose to distinction themselves and shed a luster over the place.

The brightest epoch in the history of Nabadwip dates from the era of Chaitanya. Brindaban Das, the celebrated biographer of Sri Chaitanya has rightly said, " No place is equal to Nabadwip on earth

because Chaitanya was there incarnated." To his followers, Chaitanya may be an apostle, and incarnate deity. But it is as a reformer and a lover of mankind he is to be looked upon.

Much of Nabadwip's fame rests upon its being an ancient seat of learning, which has exercised a great influence upon the politics, morals and manners of the Bengalees. It is chiefly noted to be the great school of Nay a Philosophy. But it has also produced scholars in law, literature, astronomy, poetry, grammar etc. Pupils were attracted to Nabadwip from great distances and often spent their life time in their Alma- Maters.

Nearly all the great scholars of Oriental leaning visited Nabadwip in their days. Sir William Jones used to spend three months every year in the vicinity of this University. Dr. Carey came here in 1794 and wrote , " Several of the most leaned Pandits and Brahmins wished eagerly down here to settle, and as this is the great place of Oriental learning we seemed inclined, especially as it is the bulwark of heathenism, which, if once carried, all the rest of the country must be laid open to us " .

#### **DATE OF' ESTABLISHMENT OF' THE MUNICIPALITY: 29TH APRIL. 1869**

#### **Administrative Boundaries :-**

- North:- Main stream of the River, Bhagirathi
- East :- River Bhagarathi and Mouza Gadkhali
- South:- From the point on the Western boundary of mouza Gadkhali about 6,600feet south from the Northern Limit of Mouza Gadkhali , then straight West to railway bridge No. 98, then to the south by the Railway line up to bridge no 96 , thence by the Kancha Road to Samudragarh up to the boundary of mouza Sreerampur in the district of Burdwan.
- West:- Mouza Sreerampur in the district of Burdwan, then Mouza Bablari - Dewangunge and Sankarpur in the district Nadia up to the junction with mouza Rudra Para and Gangaprasad and thence straight North through mouza Shankarpur ( including within the Municipality the portion called Brajanagar alias Ramchandrapur) up to the flowing river Bhagirathi.

#### **Economic Base :-**

Nabadwip is chiefly a trading centre. Jute, an agro- I industrial raw material is processed, stored in the godown here at and supplied here from to the jute - industries. The economy of this town is largely based on hand-loom weaving industries. The Handloom products produced in the town and its adjoining areas are accumulated in the market known as haat (market). There are units making ready made garments, bidis, and bell-metaled utensils.

## Demographic Growth:-

### Census Population

1981	118000
1991	125247
2001	115036
2011	125528

### Places of Interest

The town itself is the place of interest as it is the birth - place of Sri Chaitanya. This is a town of temples. There are more than one hundred temples standing in every part of the town divided four parts, marked as north, south, east and west.

The following are the sites I buildings identified as heritage ones :-

1. a) Mahaprabhu Mandir, worshiped by Bishnupriya Debi, Mahaprabhu para, Nabadwip , Nadia  
b) Old Temple inside the area of Mahaprabhu Mandir
2. The temple of birth-place of Mahaprabhu, Sri Chaitanya Dev at Prachinmayapur, Nabadwip , Nadia
3. Birth place of Bishnu Priya Devi, at Malanchapara, Nabadwip Nadia
4. Buroshib Mandir, Buroshibtala, Nabadwip, Nadia.
5. Porama Temple, Shiva Temple and Bhabatarini Mandir at Poramatala Road, Nabadwip, Nadia.
6. Temple of Agameswari Debi at Agameswari Para, Nabadwip, Nadia
7. Sanskrit College, Nabadwip, Nadia, Pacca toll Road, Nabadwip, Nadia
8. Manipur Rajbari , Nabadwip, Nadia

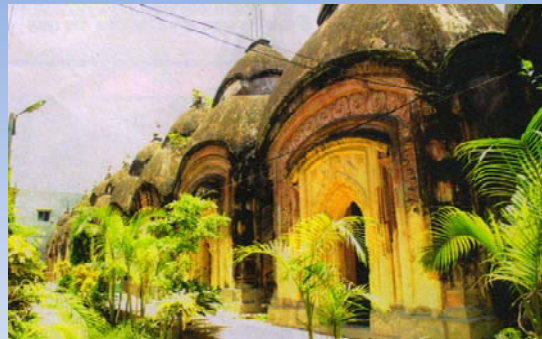
9. Bangabani at Nidaya Ghat, Nabadwip, Nadia

## Mahaprabhu

Birth Place of Nimai  
(Mahaprabhu)



MAHAPRABHU (BIRTH PLACE OF NEMAI)



**Dados Shib Temple**  
Founded by Kanshabanik Gurudas Das in  
1835

DADOS SHIB TEMPLE (1835)



## SONAR GOURANGA TEMPLE

### **OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

#### **1. CLIMATE AND RAINFALL:**

The town of Nabadwip is located under humid tropical climate with maximum and minimum temperature about 43° C and 8° C respectively .The average rainfall is 1400 mm .The major portion of rainfall is received during the month of June to October.

#### **2. TOPOGRAPHY AND SOIL:**

The town of Nabadwip is on the soil of the Gangetic plains by the western side of the river, Bhagirathi (branch of the Ganga) which is falling into the Bay of Bengal about 300 Km. away herefrom.

#### **3. COMMUNICATION:**

There are two railway stations within the limits of Nabadwip Municipality on the Bandel -Katwa section of the Howrah Division of the Eastern Railway. This town is connected with Kolkata, the capital - city of West - Bengal by railways and roadways. Krishnanagar, the District head quarter of the district of Nadia is connected with Nabadwip by state high-way of 21 Kms. Of length which connects Nabadwip with National Highway No 34 near Krishnanagar. Bus communication to all parts of the state is available from Nabadwip Municipal bus-stand.

#### **4. POLICE STATION:**

There is a Police Station at Nabadwip and it is in the middle of the town .

#### **5. POST OFFICE:**

Nabadwip Head Post Office is three minutes walk from the Head office of Nabadwip Municipality. It is having a few sub-post offices within the town.

#### **6. FIRE SERVICES**

West Bengal Fire and Emergency Services has its office with fire-fighting arrangements at this town.

#### **7. BANKS AND FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS:**

There are seven Nationalized Banks, three Cooperative Banks and One Regional Rural Banks. Insurance companies have their offices at Nabadwip.

#### **8. HEALTH SERVICES:**

125 bedded Nabadwip State General Hospital, run by the State Health Department is within the town. There are five Nursing Homes and a few private medical clinics at Nabadwip.



## **Message from the Chairman**

### **From Chairman Desk**

The town of Nabadwip exists by the western bank of the river, Bhagirathi in the district of Nadia in the State of West Bengal. It is an ancient and unplanned town of an area of 11.66 Sq.Km with its own population of 1, 25,528 as per Census – 2011

Uplifting the Socio-Economic pattern and rendering better Civic Services to the people and strengthening the Municipal Institutional infrastructure and increasing skill of youth through proper training and monitoring and etc have remained the motto of Nabadwip Municipality.

We intend to encourage Tourism Potential, Tourist Resort, Abasan and updated English Medium School under Public Private Partnership (PPP) Model.

To achieve the above-mentioned goals we envisage making a complete plan with better transparency in all spheres of Municipal services through the participation of all the stakeholders in the locality.

Slum development has always been one of our major activities .At present Nabadwip Municipality has identified 103 nos of notified slum pockets within 24 nos of wards. The work of IHSDP programme under JNNURM has been completed where 739 nos of dwelling units have been constructed.

Two new central Govt. Projects viz. Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and urban transformation (AMRUT) and Housing for All (HFA) are running under Nabadwip Municipality. Under AMRUT Project we have already completed the SLIP preparation and the same has been uploaded in Website. Nabadwip Municipality for being entitled to get a fund of Rs25Lakhs for development of park under AMRUT and necessary DPR has already been submitted. In this connection, a current bank account has already been opened .

Under Housing for All Project Demand survey and the work of preparation of Action plan have been completed. In the first phase Nabadwip Municipality has sanctioned 1000 nos of dwelling units. Preparation of DPR and the work of identification of beneficiaries have been completed.

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National Urban Livelihood Mission replacing earlier Swarna Jayanti Sahari Rojgar Yojana Project and National Urban Health Mission activities have already been introduced in Nabadwip Municipality and started its operation. I strongly hope that complementary effects of these various Projects would certainly help us to evolve as a strong and modern city with its own distinct traditions and rich cultural heritage

*Sri Biman Krishna Saha*

*Chairman*

*Nabadwip Municipality*

The work of Surface water treatment plant is going on in full swing .The estimated project cost of the ongoing scheme is around 80 Cr. Construction of Marketing Complex for Handloom Weavers at Nabadwip Municipality which is undoubtedly one of the most special and unique condominium land marks ever to be erected in the Urban Nabadwip. The National Urban Health Mission (NUHM) programme has already been started and recruitment procedure has been completed. Infrastructural work of newly sanctioned sub-centre has been started .The work of construction flood shelter has already been completed. UC has been submitted to the concerned authority.



Under Swach Bharat Mission (SBM) construction the work of construction latrine s have been completed.



Awareness programme regarding utility and benefits of NULM projects in different wards were held. The 23<sup>rd</sup> January (The Birth day of Netaji Subhas Chandra Basu), the 26<sup>th</sup> January (The Republic day) and the 15<sup>th</sup> August (The Independence Day) were celebrated in different wards in grand manner. A Book Fair was held on the Nabadwip Athletic Play Ground from 11<sup>th</sup> January, 2015 to 20<sup>th</sup> January, 2015. Nabadwip Soccer Cup was held on different grounds at Nabadwip. Viveak Chetana Utsav, Chattra Yuva Utsav, Subhas Utsav, Rash and Durga Puja Prize distribution ceremony on best IDOL, Decoration of Mandp, Lighting, environment and law and order were held at different venues at different point of time. A huge gatherings were observed in all the programme.