

Municipal Council Machhiwara Sahib

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- **Introduction**

Municipal Council, Machhiwara Sahib is a C class committee under the Deptt. of Local Govt., Punjab, Chandigarh. As per the 2011 census its population is 24916. Municipal council, Machhiwara Sahib consists of 15 wards.

The main **functions of the Municipal council** include - to provide pure water, sewerage facilities, street light, to develop the area by construction of drains, roads, to provide fresh environment through sanitation services. Municipal council provides all these facilities out of funds generated from Property tax, building application fees, excise duty GST Share , grants received from govt etc.



Office of Municipal Council Machhiwara Sahib

- **Location**

The town is located 35 km away from Ludhiana, 9 km from Samrala, 27 km from Chamkaur Sahib, 19 km from Rahon. The river Satluj is towards its north and Sirhind Canal is towards its South. The town has an area of 8.5 sq km.

Approach Roads :- The town is approachable by roads from Samrala, Ludhiana, Ropar, Chamkaur Sahib, Nawan Shahr After the completion of Satluj Bridge on the river the Satluj, access to the inhabitants of Doaba & Malwa regions have become easy. Earlier people from both sides moved by boat. After construction of this bridge the distance between Machhiwara Sahib & Rahon has reduced by almost 50 KM.



Khalsa Chowk, Machhiwara Sahib

- **Historic Town**

The town is historic as 10th Guru of Sikhs Sri Guru Gobind Singh Ji came to this town after battle of Chamkaur Sahib. Guruji made a Plea to Almighty by reciting a holy hymn “Mittar Pyare Nu Haal Muridan Da Kehna”

The Town has following famous Gurdwaras namely:-

- Gurdwara Sri Charan Kanwal Sahib
- Gurdwara Sri Chobara Sahib
- Gurdwara Sri Ghani Khan Nabi Khan Sahib
- Gurdwara Sri Kirpan Bhet Sahib



Gurdwara Sri Charan Kanwal Sahib

The town has an old Shiva temple on the Ropar Road. It is believed that Pandvas spent a part of their agyatvas here. Due to historical importance of the town, Machhiwara was renamed as Machhiwara Sahib in 2014.

Municipal Council & Other Offices

Nagar Panchayat was formed in Nov. 1977 in place of Gram Panchayat through a notification by Punjab Government. It was classified as class III Municipal Council through Govt. notification in 2008. Presently it is working under the Presidentship of Sh. Surinder Kundra. Smt. Manjit Kumari is its Senior Vice President & Sh. Amarjit Singh is its Junior vice President It has 12 other

members viz Kapil Anand, Satinder Kaur, Surinder Kumar, Paramjit Kaur, Bimla Devi, Gurnam Singh, Suraj Kumar, Harjit Kaur, Punit Kaur, Vijay Kumar, Harpreet Kaur, Paramjit Singh.

The income of the Municipal Council for the financial year 2016-17 is Rs. 352.98 lakhs. It spent on Rs. 183.66 lakhs on Establishment and Rs. 114.49 Lakhs on Development. Besides development works of 266.35 Lakhs are near Completion with Urban mission grant received from PIDB.

The town is a Sub-Tehsil, it has the offices of Naib-Tehsildar, Block Development and Panchayat officer, Child development Project Officer, Post. Office, Market Committee, Police Station, FCI, Punsup, Food & Civil Supplies, Punjab State power corporation Limited, Telephone Exchange, Markfed, Agriculture Development office etc.

Water Supply :- About 90% of the population is served by the three tube wells. Sewerage has been laid in the city and sewerage treatment plant (STP) has become functional. Since 01.08.2015, Water Supply & Sewerage charge is with Punjab Water Supply & Sewerage Board.

• **Other Amenities**

Health Services

The population of the area is served by a team of doctors and Para Medical Staff of the Community Health Centre. Also a homeopathy dispensary exists in the Community Health Centre that attracts a large crowd of patients. Besides, the town has many private Clinics and nursing homes. A Government Veterinary Hospital is also there to serve the ailing animals of the area.

Parks

There are 11 parks in the town namely :-

• Radha Krishan Park
• S.J.S. Nagar Park I
• S.J.S. Nagar Park II
• S.J.S. Nagar Park III
• Dashmesh Nagar I
• Dashmesh Nagar Park II
• Bank Colony Park I
• Bank Colony Park Near II
• Indra Colony Park
• Balmik Mohalla Park
• Model Town Park

• **Educational Institutions**

Machhiwara Sahib town has a good record of education. It enjoys facility of a degree college for girls since 1985. It has two Government Sr. Sec. Schools- One for the girls & the other for boys. Five government Primary Schools also serve the area. Education is also provided by many private institutions.

• **Business**

The town caters to the business needs of inhabitants of a large no. of villages. It has a good whole sale/ retail market, four petrol pumps & two LPG gas agencies. Also the grain Market has approximately 250 commission agents. The town has more than 10 rice-shellors, a cold storage, Ice Factory. The town is surrounded by a number of factories owned by reputed business houses. The volume of business has attracted nearly 15 banks.

• **Freedom Fighters**

Seven persons of the town battled for the freedom of the country from British rules. They are :

- Dr. Shankar Dass S/o Sh. Salig Ram

- Smt. Hardae W/o Sh. Shankar Dass
- Sh. Om Parkash S/o Sh. Mulla Ram
- Sh. Ram Gopal Rind S/o Pt. Gainda Ram
- Sh. Diwan Chand S/o Pt. Lachman Dass
- Sh. Kedar Nath Sharma
- Sh. Ram Jass Jain S/o Sh. Walaiti Ram

- **Municipal Council Staff**

Sr. No.	Name Sh./ Smt.	Designation	Branch
1.	Jasvir Singh	Executive Officer	Overall Incharge of Office
2	Jagpal Singh	Assistance Municipal Engineer	Development Work
3.	Sanjeev Kumar	Accountant	Accountancy Work
4.	Harmel Singh	Section Officer	Development Work
5.	Jaspal Singh	Sanitary Inspector	Sanitation Head of the toln
6.	Vacant	Tax Inspector	Supervision of Tax collection.
7.	Mohinder Singh	Accounts Clerk	Accountancy Work & Cashier
8.	Satnam Singh	Tax Clerk	Collection of House Tax & Property Tax
9.	Rohit Jain	Rent Clerk & Election Clerk	Collection of Rent & Election Incharge
10.	Raj Kumar	Building & Court Clerk	Collection of Building Application Fees & Court Cases
11.	Jagvir Singh	Death & Birth Clerk	Issuing of Birth & Death Certificates, Diary Dispatch
12.	Sukhdev Singh	Works Clerk	Assists in Development works

- **Contact detail**

Municipal Council office	01628- 250001, 25801	
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- **Audit**

Accounts of Municipal Council have been audited by Examiner Local Fund (Audit) till 31.03.2014. Accounts of the years 2014-15, 2015-16 and 2016-17 have been audited by Pr. Accountant General (Audit) Punjab Chandigarh. Annotation of Audit Para has been sent.