

Glossary

Sullage

It is the waste water resulting from personal wasting, bathing, laundry, food preparation and cleansing of utensils. It does not include discharge from hospital operation theater O.T which has high content of organic matters. Sullage is not very foul and can be disposed of in open drains without treatment.

Garbage

It is the dry refuse of town containing organic, inorganic solids, semisolids, combustible, noncombustible, putrescible and nonputrescible substances. It includes sweeping from homes, streets market, public places, gardens, waste papers, leaves, grass parings of vegetables, decaying fruits etc with small amount of cinder, clay and gravel. It is collected separately from sewage and sullage and disposed of separately.

Infiltration

Infiltration is the water which has leaked into the sewer from the ground.

Exfiltration

It is leakage from the sewer to the ground.

Inflow

It is the water entering the sewers from surface source through cracks in manholes, open cleanouts, perforated manhole covers and roof drains connected to the sewers. Inflow occurs only during runoff.

Sewers

Sewer is a pipe or conduit carrying sewage. Sewers are usually not flow full (Gravity Flow). The full flowing sewers are called force main as the flow is under pressure.