

## CHAPTER 7

# MAP OF THE *TEHSIL*

Some weeks ago you had made a map of your classroom. You had surveyed the classroom, measured it and prepared a map using a scale of measurement and symbols. All maps, whether of villages or towns or countries, are prepared by similar methods. Today we shall study the map of your *tehsil* or block.

The teacher should divide the class into groups of 5 or 6 students each. Provide each group with the map of the *tehsil*. One student from each group should be ready with a pen and notebook to write down the answers to the following questions.

### **Your Village / Town**

- *First of all, identify your town/village on the map. Is the boundary of your town/village shown by any symbol?*
- *Draw the shape of your town/village in the notebook after having a close look at the map.*
- *Are the shapes of nearby towns/villages similar to yours?*
- *Have you ever thought about the shape of your village/town? Do you know where the boundary of your village/town comes closest to your school?*
- *Go with your teacher to the place where the limit of your town/village ends and the other town/village begins. What is the name of the other town/village? Locate on the map other towns and villages that you know of.*

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From the map of the *tehsil*, not only can the locations of villages/towns in the *tehsil* be found, but also locations of schools, post-offices, railway stations, kutchra roads and pucca roads, railway lines, etc. All these are depicted by certain symbols. Go through the index and find out the symbols used for these.

## ANSWER THESE QUESTIONS

### **Roads and Railways**

- *Does any railway line pass through your *tehsil*? If yes, name the railway stations in your *tehsil*.*

### **Rivers and Forests**

1. *Which rivers/streams flow through your *tehsil*?*
2. *In which direction does the river flow?*
3. *Name five villages situated on the banks of that river.*
4. *Is some portion of your *tehsil* still under forest cover? If yes, name five villages located within the forest.*
5. *How many villages have forest check-posts? What is the purpose of forest check-posts?*

## Services

Not all villages have services like hospitals and schools. Some villages do have schools, but only a few have post-offices or primary health centres. People go to particular villages for the weekly market. Let us find out from the map which village has what facility.

1. Name four places which have both a post-office and a school.
2. In your tehsil, on which days are weekly markets held and at which places? Fill in the table given below -

Weekly Markets in My Tehsil

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday

3. Name the towns/cities of your tehsil.
4. What are the facilities in those towns/cities, which are not generally available in villages? Look carefully at the map and answer.

## Boundary of the Tehsil

- You have answered the above questions on the basis of the map. Which area does the map show?

Suppose you are travelling by bus on a road shown on the map. You reach the last village on the road. The bus goes further on that road and reaches another village. Why is that stretch of the road and village not shown on the map? What is the difference between the symbols of boundaries of other villages and that last village? This symbol shows the boundary of your *tehsil*. Villages that come after this do not fall within your *tehsil*, and that is why they are not shown on the map of your *tehsil*.

- See whether the boundary of your tehsil is depicted by the same symbol on all sides.
- The officer who is in charge of towns/ cities and villages of your tehsil is called the *Tehsildar*.
- Where is the office of your tehsil? For what purpose do people go there?

## A NOTE FOR THE TEACHER:

These questions are suggestive. Please look at the map carefully and formulate new questions.

If you are living in a town or a city try to get a map of your town and make similar questions on that map and try to look for the answers.