

ABSTRACT

Living conditions have a direct impact on public health. One of the biggest challenges that face urban planners worldwide is the proliferation of slums in urban areas and the host of health hazards that they bring along in their wake. The present dissertation is an assessment of health impacts on residents living around the slum settlements at Mylapore in Chennai. Primary data for this purpose was collected through questionnaires in slum settlements here in Mylapore.(Chennai) . A sample of 30 households was interviewed in this area. Almost everyone said that they disposed their solid waste in the household toilet premises. In very few cases diseases such as Malaria Skin allergies Typhoid was reported. Yearly monetary losses due to medical expenses and income foregone due to illness were calculated.