

Ward No. 08

This ward is where Pashupatinath, one of the holiest Hindu shrines in the world is situated. Besides this World Heritage Site, there is the temple of Guheswari and a host of other temples, shrines, rest houses and stone water fountains. On the east of this sacred land lies the old runway of Tribhuvan International Airport, on the west Siphel Dhoka, in the north Gurumarg Kailash and Gaurighat Khariko Bot, and in the south lies Ward No. 9.

The ward is spread over 253.8 hectares, and its population in 2001 was 9,434. The inhabitants belong to different ethnic groups, but Newars form the majority. Brahmins come second in terms of population. The great majority (87.5%) are Hindus followed by Buddhists (9.7%). Muslims and Christians make up the rest. The major festivals observed in the ward are Shivaratri, Teej Parva, Bajreswari Peeth Jatra, Batsaleswari Jatra, Trishul Jatra, Gai Jatra and Ropain Jatra.

With respect to physical infrastructure, almost all houses have access to electricity. However, the number of homes connected to the city water supply is very small, and only 10% of the houses have a telephone. This is the only ward in Kathmandu with its own ambulance service.

Population and number of households

Total number of households: 2165

Total population: 9434

Males: 4993

Females: 4441

*Census 2001

Building structure

Building structure	Percent (%)	Condition (%)		
		Good	Fair	Poor
Clay mortar	0.71	30	50	20
Clay mortar and plaster	2.85	40	50	10
Cement mortar	49.28	80	20	-
RCC frame	47.14	85	15	-
Other	0.02	-	-	-

Roads

Type	Length (km.)	Condition (%)		
		Good	Fair	Poor
Black-topped	5.6	30	40	30
Gravel	4.83	25	55	20
Dirt	8.55	10	30	60
Track/Trail	1.8	30	40	30
Brick-paved	0.78	55	30	15
Stone-paved	1.71	60	35	5

Sewerage

Type	Length (km.)	Condition (%)		
		Good	Fair	Poor
Surface drains and sewers	9	20	50	30

Solid waste

Solid waste generated daily: 18.54 cu. m.

Container: Yes No

Number of containers: 1

Adequate Inadequate

Location of containers

Roadside

Open ground

Other (specify)

Trash collection from homes

Private sector

NGO

Community

Ward office and Pashupati Area Development Trust

Number of homes provided with trash collection service:

No. of houses with various basic services

Service	Percent (%)
Electricity	99
Drinking water	59
Telephone	25
Toilet	100

Areas without basic services

Service	Area	Percent of ward area
Electricity	Rest houses	1
Telephone	Harijan Tol and different areas of the ward	75
Drinking water	Gaushala, Harijan Tol and different areas of the ward	41
Road	Nawali Tol, Gaushala, Bagmati, Bhandarkhal, B.P. Marg, Siphel Gate to Jaya Bageswari	

Educational institutions

Level of educational institution	Government	Private	Total number
Primary	-	1	1
Lower secondary	1	-	1
Secondary	2	4	6

Health institutions

Type	No.	Name	Patients visiting daily	Services available §	Type of sickness *
Government hospital	1	Tilganga Eye Hospital	75	5	5
Health center/ dispensary/ clinic	7	Irish Clinic, Harijan Tol	7	General	All
		Ramghat Service Center	15	General	All
		Service Center, Tilganga	12	Treatment for leprosy	Leprosy
		Ne.Pra.U.Bi., Bhuvaneswari	50	Pathology	-
		Aryaghat Service Center	-	Final medical care	-
		Ayurvedic medical hall	12	-	All
		Community Health Care Center, Nawali Tol	15	-	All

- § 1. Pathology
- 2. X-ray
- 3. Ultra-sound
- 4. ECG
- 5. Endoscopy
- 6. Emergency
- 7. Others

- * 1. Fever (malaria, encephalitis)
- 2. Stomach ailments
- 3. Chest ailments
- 4. Respiratory ailments
- 5. Eye, nose, ear, throat
- 6. Liver
- 7. Broken bones/wounds
- 8. Skin
- 9. Others

Institutional buildings

Name	Address	Area (sq. m.)	Ownership
Pashupati Area Development Trust	Pashupati	110	Own
Social Welfare Center	Pashupati	-	"
World Hindu Federation	Pashupati	450	"
Pashupati Goswara, Guthi Samsthan	Pashupati	-	"
Ward Office	Pashupati	127	"

Financial institutions

Name	Address	Type
Sri Yantra Saving and Loan Cooperative	Pashupati	Cooperative
Swabalamban Cooperative	Bhuvaneswari	"
Sarathi Cooperative	Jaya Bageswari	"

Industry

Type	Total number
Manufacturing	3

Shops

Type	Number
Foodstuffs	20
Spices	56
Cold store/provision store	97
Hardware	21
Sanitary	4
Textiles	36
Medicines	Ganesh temple at Jaya Bageswari. 20
Utensils	8
Shoes	12
Stationery	10
Fancy goods	22
Electronics/electrical	18
Meat	1
Fruits	11
Video cassette	5
Tea shop	12
Restaurant	7
Others	205
Total	565

Service and repair centers

Type	Number
Computer/photocopy	3
ISD/STD	15
Tailoring	10
Laundry	1
Watch repair	12
Motorcycle repair	6
Car repair	1
Barber	8
Photo studio	5
Others	9
Total	70

Training centers

Type	Number
Computer	3
Polytechnic	1
Karate	3
Total	7

Entertainment

Type	Number
Pool house (snooker)	1
Royal Nepal Golf Club	1
Total	2

Fire brigade

Place	Status		Remarks
	Closed	Running	
Pashupati Area Development Trust (two fire engines)		√	Only during Shivaratri and Teej

Post office

Place	Type		
	District	Sector	Central
Devpatan	-	√	-

Security

Type	Number	Locations
Ward Police Office	1	Gaushala
Police post	1	Pashupati
Pahara Gan Police	1	Different temples for security
Police beat	3	Pashupati, Guheswari, Gaurighat

Parking space

Location	Area (sq. m.)	Usage
Bhuvaneswari		Taxi, tempo, bus, school bus, rickshaw, motorcycle
Amar Kanteswar		Taxi, tempo, bus, school bus, rickshaw, motorcycle
Dakshina Murti		Taxi, tempo, bus, school bus, rickshaw, motorcycle
Guheswari		Taxi, tempo, bus, school bus, rickshaw, motorcycle

Heritage sites

Name	Area (sq. m.)
Pashupati	158
Bhandarkhal	803
Guheswari	54
Biswarup	70
Tamreswar Mahadev	-
Mritunjaya Mahadev	-
Jaya Bageswari temple	-
Sundhara, Jaya Bageswari	-
Seto Dhoka, next to Siphali Chaur	-
Bhuvaneswari, Bankali	
Ganesh Dhara, Bankali	
Arun Barun Dhara, Bhuvaneswari	

Buildings of historic and architectural importance

Name	Location	Importance	
		Historic	Architectural
Amalkot Kachahari Building	Amalkot	✓	
Rajrajeswari	Pashupati	✓	
White rest house	"	✓	

Feasts/festivals celebrated

Name of feast/festival	Month held
Trisul Jatra	Asar
Gangamai Jatra	Asar
Ropai Jatra, Gai Jatra, Khadga Jatra	Bhadra
Teej	Bhadra
Guheswari Jatra	Mangsir

Balachaturdashi	Mangsir
Madhav Narayan Jatra (Takicha Dya Jatra)	Magh
Shivaratri	Magh/Fagun
Bajreswari (Mahalaxmi) Pith Jatra	Chaitra
Batsaleswari Jatra	Chaitra

Pilgrim shelters, rest houses, sacred sites, etc.

Type	No.	Condition		
		Good	Fair	Poor
Stone water spout	4	3	-	1
Public tap	34	5	17	12
Well	8	3	-	5
Pilgrim shelter	7	-	4	3
Temple	34	12	9	13
Chaitya/stupa	5	1	2	2
Ghat/cemetery	35	8	15	15
Stream	9	-	3	6

Public grounds

Type	Number	Usage
<i>Open space</i>	2	
Kailash Bankali		Festivals, religious

Open-air market

Type	No. of sellers	Kind of shop		Place				Name of place
		Open	Roofed	Footpath	Public square	Open space	Others	
Consumer goods	10		✓	✓				Bhandarkhal

NGOs, INGOs, CBOs, clubs, etc.

Name	Address	Type	Established	Objectives
Gauri Shankar Youth Club	Tilganga	Club	2053	Sports
Harijan Bhajan Samuha	Harijan Tol	Organization	2049	Hymn singing
Shanti Sewa Griha	Tilganga	NGO	2046	Free health service
Ne.Pra.E. V.	Devpatan	NGO	2053	Social service for leprosy patients
Pashupati Bridashram	Pashupati	Organization	-	Service for senior citizens

The five biggest problems

1. Drinking water
2. Sewerage/drainage
3. Roads
4. Preservation of World Heritage Site
5. Preservation of the Bagmati river

On-going projects

Name	Estimated cost (Rs.)
Brick soling (Harijan Tol)	-