

## UNIT - 3

# 9. OUR VILLAGE



Rangapuram is surrounded by small hills. A river flows nearby. The river is the only source of water to the village. The houses are side by side in the village. There is a water tank and water is provided through taps. The village is inhabited by different artisans. Now, let's look at the picture of Rangapuram.



What can you see in Rangapuram?

How can you say that the above picture represents a village?

See and say what a village is, based on the above picture.

Where and how do the villages and towns form?





You have seen how the village Rangapuram is in the picture. Observe the picture given below and say what else is there in Rangapuram?



What else is there in Rangapuram?

What all are there in your village?



In Rangapuram village there are streets, different types of houses, gram panchayat, veterinary hospital, school, primary health sub Centre, post and telegraph office, temple, mosque and church. Do you know about these institutions?



### Gram panchayat office

This is Rangapuram's gram panchayat office. The people of gram panchayat do many work like supplying water, cleaning the drains and streets, maintaining street lights etc;.

What kind of work your gram panchayat does?

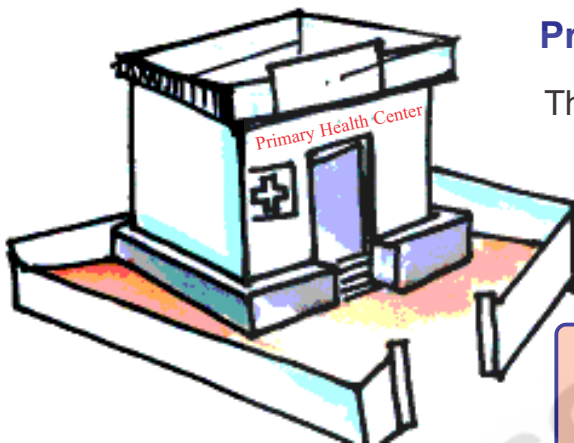


## Post and Telegraph Office (Post Office)

This is post and telegraph office. We post the letters, save money, do life insurance etc.. through this office.

Have you seen the post box of your village? What do you think would be posted in it?

What does the post man do? What is his name?



## Primary Health Sub Centre

There is a primary health sub centre in the village with a doctor and few health workers. The health workers create awareness on health and hygiene among the villagers, conduct pulse polio programmes and give medicines to treat minor illnesses etc;

Who gives polio drops in your village?

Do you have health centre in your village?

What different kinds of work it does?

## Veterinary Hospital

We go to hospital when we suffer from illness. In the same way the cattle is taken to the veterinary hospital for the cure of diseases.

Ask and write when the cattle is taken to hospital?

What happens if there is no veterinary hospital in your village / locality?



## Bank

There is a grameena bank in Rangapuram as the population of the village is high. People save their money in the bank. The bank gives loans to the villagers for their needs. They return the money to the bank in instalments.

Ask your elders and know what the other uses of a bank are?



## School

There is an upper primary school in Rangapuram. The students who complete their studies here, go to other village schools to continue their higher studies.



What happens if there is no school?

Where do your villagers go for higher studies?

## Water tank



The water is pumped from the water tank to taps. The water tank is cleaned once a week. Chlorine is mixed with water to kill the germs and microbes and purify it. The purified water is released to the taps. We should see to it that water is not wasted through the taps. The village sarpanch should be informed about the leakages in pipes and about wastage of water.

Where do you bring water from?

What are the uses of a water tank?

## Places of worship

Observe the pictures given below. What can you see? Who go to these places? When do they go?



What are the places of worship in your village? Who goes to these places? When do they go?





## Transport in Rangapuram

We travel to other villages, towns / cities by bus, train, auto etc. Let us know the transport facilities of Rangapuram. What vehicles are there in Rangapuram?



A bus comes to Rangapuram in the morning and evening. The villagers go to the nearby villages by an auto. The farmers use bullock-cart for the agricultural work. The students go by bus to other villages for higher studies.

Which vehicles come to your village?

Which vehicles do your villagers use for travel?

Now you have known about the social institutions in a village and transport facilities of Rangapuram.



Do you know what kind of work the people of Rangapuram do? Most of the villagers practice agriculture. Some work as labourers. The others do different kinds of work. There are black smiths, potters and other professionals. Some villagers are well educated and work in offices. Some own small shops and do business. All the school aged children study in their village school only. Older children go to other villages for higher studies. All the women in the village are educated. They also do some jobs and earn their livelihood.

What are the different kinds of work your village people do?

You have now learnt about the facilities in Rangapuram. All villages will not have many of these facilities. These facilities lead to village development.

### Key words

1. Village
2. Gram panchayat
3. Bank
4. Primary health sub centre
5. Veterinary hospital
6. Post and telegraph office
7. Places of worship
8. Transport facilities
9. Polio drops
10. Social Institutions
11. Life insurance
12. Health worker

### What have we learnt?

- ★ Generally, a village has Gram panchayat, bank, veterinary hospital, school, primary health centre, post office, temple, mosque, church.
- ★ Gram panchayat does different kinds of work like cleaning of drains, maintaining street lights, clearing garbage, supplying water, etc.
- ★ A village gets much needed help from a bank, post office, school, primary health centre, veterinary hospital, gram panchayat etc;
- ★ Villages will have transport facilities. Different vehicles travel on the road every day.
- ★ Different kinds of workers / artisans live in villages.



**DO THIS**



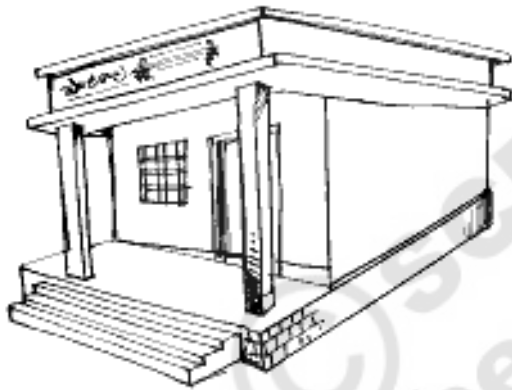
**Conceptual Understanding**

1. What all are there in Rangapuram?
2. Name the places of worship in your village.
3. What would happen if there was no school in your village?
4. What are the uses of a bank in a village?
5. Write the similarities and differences between a bank and a post office.



**Draw and Colour the pictures**

1. Draw and Colour the picture of the school given below.



**Information Skills - Project work**

1. Fill in the table with the institutions that are present in Rangapuram. Tick ✓ against the institutions which are present in your village also.

Sl.No.	Institutions in Rangapuram	Institutions in your village
1.		
2.		
3.		
4.		
5.		
6.		



- ◆ Which institutions of Rangapuram are present in your village also?
- ◆ What is there in Rangapuram but not in your village?
- ◆ Which things are there in your village but not in Rangapuram?

3. Know about the names and services provided by the social institutions of your village. Fill in the table with the particulars pertaining to your village.

Sl.No.	Social Institution	Work they do



### Appreciation

1. You have learnt the uses of a bank, post office, school, hospital etc. of a village. What are their needs? Find out and tell.



### Ask a Question

1. Chinnaiah went to Rangapuram. He wanted to know about Rangapuram. For this, he went to the school and met the teachers. He enquired about the village. What are the questions Chinnaiah might have asked? What are the answers teachers might have given?



### Can I do this?



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| 1. I can explain what a village is.  | Yes/No |
| 2. I can explain about the services given by the social institutions of a village.   | Yes/No |
| 3. I can prepare a table with the particulars of social institutions of our village. | Yes/No |
| 4. I have known the uses of social institutions of our village and I can use them.   | Yes/No |
| 5. I can draw and colour the picture of a school.                                    | Yes/No |
| 6. I can ask questions on a village school, post office, grampanchayat etc..         | Yes/No |

