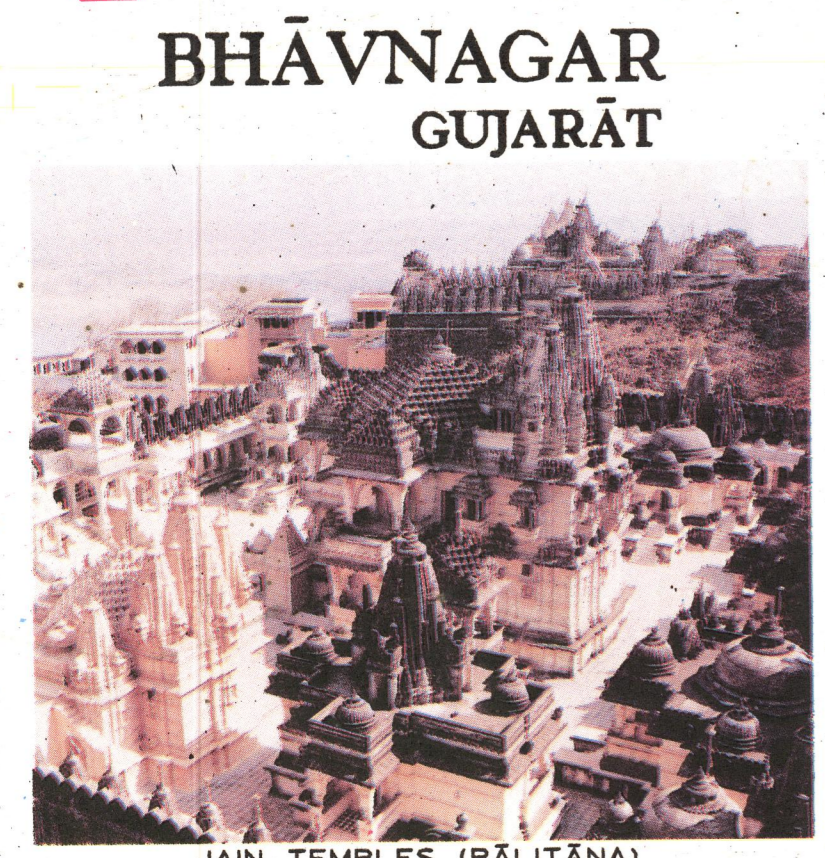


KEY STATISTICS OF BHAVNAGAR DISTRICT (Census 1991)
Area: 11,955 sq. km. Population: 22,82,026 Literacy: 57.89%
Density of population: 195 per sq. km. Main language spoken: Gujarati

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The basic objective of this 'Map Series' is to provide users and planners with topographic and thematic information related to a district.

Once the capital of the Princely state, Bhavnagar founded as a port in 1723, is still an important trading port for the cotton goods in Gujarat. It is situated entirely on the Gulf of Cambay - Khambhat. The Bhavnagar lock gate keeps ships afloat in the city's port during the low tide.

Palitana the city of temples is just 56 km away from Bhavnagar. This is probably India's most picturesque pilgrim centre. Located on Shetrunji hill are 863 temples built over an impressive span of nine hundred years. The temples are exquisitely carved in marble. To an observer these appear to be ivory miniatures when seen from a distance.

The Indian Salt & Marine Research Institute is located here. Groundnut, onion and baaja are major agricultural crops. Pomegranate and guava are also grown extensively. The district has been fortunate with minor mineral resources like Bauxite, Gypsum, Calcite and Mica, etc.

It is well connected by roads and railways with the capital Ahmadabad and other important cities. IAC connects Bhavnagar with Mumbai. There is a Vayudoot service with Ahmadabad, Mumbai, Damam and Surat. Ahmadabad is about 200 km away from Bhavnagar. There is also hovercraft services between Bhavnagar and Surat.

The climate of the district is moderate with maximum temperature of 44°C and the minimum of 7°C. The annual rainfall in Bhavnagar district is about 600 mm.

The places worth seeing are Takteshwar Mahadev Temple, Gaurishankar lake, Gandhi Smriti, Lock Gate and Palitana temples.

REFERENCES

Boundaries International, State	-----
Boundaries District, Taluk or Taluk Forest	-----
Names Headquarter District	-----
Names Headquarter Taluk, Other Important place	-----
Names Forest, Village	-----
Settlements Urban, Rural, Huts	-----
Fort Conventual Surveyed	-----
Roads National Highway, State Highway, Others	-----
Roads Unmetalled, Cart-track	-----
Bridges Road, Railway, Ford or Ferry	-----
Railways Broad gauge, Other gauges with station	-----
Main power line, Embankment, Non-perennial, Non-perennial	-----
Rivers Perennial, Dry, Canal	-----
Tube-well, Water Lifted, Unlifted, Spring	-----
Lake/Tank Perennial, Dry with embankment	-----
Arable land, Forest, Grass and Scrub, Waste Land	-----
Hospitals, Light House, Dispensary, Veterinary Hospital	-----
Places of tourists/ Historical importance	-----
Rest House, Circuit House, Inspection Bungalow	-----
Post Office, Telegraph Office, Post & Telegraph Office, Radio Station	-----
Temples, Churches, Mosques, High Grave	-----
Educational Institutions High school level onwards	-----

