VADODARA TALUKA

Vadodara Taluka (N 21°45' and 22°15' E 72° and 75°20') has an extent of 670 sq. km. and population of 6,65,306 persons. It is the most densely populated talukā of the Vadodara district. Both the district and the talukā derive their names from the town Vadodara, which is etymologically derived from Vat Padrak, meaning a town with Banyan trees.

The Talukā of Vadodara has three cities viz., Vadodara, Fertilizemagar and Jawaharnagar. Vadodara is the largest city of Vadodara district is the third largest city in the State of Gujarat and ranks 21st in the list of the cities of India. According to the Census of 1971, the population of Vadodara is 4,67,487. There are 112 villages in this Talukā. It is bounded to North by Savli Talukā. To the east Vadodara talukā is bounded by Vaghodā talukā and Dabhoi talukā. To the south lies the talukā of Karjan. To the west Vadodara talukā abuts against the talukā of Padrā. To the North east, Vadodara talukā is separated from Kheda district by the Mahi river.

Three rivers flow through Vadodara talukā - Vishwamitri, Jambuva and Dhādhar. The soil of this talukā is mostly black cotton soil.
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1. Ajitpurā: (Ajit s. unsuccessful = is a personal name; purā = area). A settlement named after Ajit.
2. Ajod: (Ajo = is a personal name; od = small village). A settlement named after Ajo.
3. Alādpurā: (Alād A. derived from Alādīn = is a personal name; purā = colony). Settlement named after Alād (Alād is a Muslim name).
4. Alāmghir : (Alamgir A. conqueror of the world); is a personal name). A settlement named after Alāmgīr. (This name is found in Muslim community.
5. Amaliyārā (Amli derived from S. Amlikā bot. Tamarindus indica = A name of tree ; yārā = is suffix). A village with Tamarind.
7. Angadh : (derived from an prefix of negation; Gaḍha = fort). A town without a fort.


11. Āsoj : (Āso derived from s. Āshā = hope) is a personal name; oj derived from s. Ija derived from ujja = a town). A settlement named after Āsobhaī.

12. Atlādarā : (Atlā derived from Atal = a sect of naked Sadhus (Bāwās); dra = village). A village where there is a math of naked sadhus (naga Bāwās).

13. Bājvā : (Bāj = This is a community; vā derived from s. vās = settlement). Bāj belong to a Rajput, Vānyā community.

14. Bāpod : (Bāp s. vēptā = father, elder, - is a personal name; oḍ = small village). Place where a respected elder lived.

15. Bāyali : (Bālī s. brother = is a personal name; lī = village). A settlement named after Bhaī.

16. Bil : (Bil derived from Bīlī bot. Aegle marmelos = a type of tree). Settlement surrounded by Bil.

17. Chāpa : (Chāpa = is a community). This community in Rajput Vānyā.
18. Ghāni : (Chhāni derived from Ghāni = Dung = that indicates horses stable). Such village indicates domestication of animals.

19. Chīkhoḍā : (Chīkho = Mud plain ; drā = a village)
A settlement surrounded by a mud plain.

20. Dasharath : (Is a personal name). A settlement named after Dashrath, father of Rām.

21. Deṇā : (Deṇā = meeting place of two rivers). Settlement where two rivers are meeting or where the river meets the sea.

22. Dhanīyāvī : (Dhanī s. rich = is a personal name). Settlement named after a person called Dhanī.

23. Dhanorā : (Dhano s. rich = is a personal name). Settlement named after a person called Dhano.

24. Diwālīpurā : (Diwālī s. - is a feminine name; purā = colony). Diwālī is a personal name among Hindu women. Settlement named after Diwālī.

25. Doḍkā : (Doḍ = is a community). Village where members of the Doḍ community have settled.

26. Dolatpurā : (Dolat = rich - is a personal name; purā = colony). Settlement named after Dolat.

27. Dumād : (Dum A. last ; ād derived from s. Padraka = village), a last settlement.
28. Fajalpur: (Fajal A. = is a personal name; pur = colony).
   A settlement named after Fajal. (This name of a Muslim community).

29. Fatepurā: (Fate derived from Fateh = victory - is a personal name; purā = colony).
   An area named after Fate.

30. Fertilizernagar: (Fertilizer = is the name of an industry; nagar = city).
    A city named after Fertilizernagar factory.

31. Gokalpurā: (Gokal s. group of cows = is a personal name; purā = colony).
    Settlement named after Gokal.

32. Gorwā: (Gor = is a caste; wā derived from s. vas = settlement).
    A village having residence of Cow breeders.

33. Gosindra: (Gos derived from s. Ghosh = small hut).
    Settlement with small huts. (Cattle breeders).

34. Gotri: (Go derived from s. Ga = cow; trī of tari derived from tra = pasture).
    Settlement having grazing area for cattle in its neighbourhood.

35. Hansajipur: (Hansajī = is a personal name; pur = colony).
    A settlement named after Hansajī.

36. Hansapura: (Hansa = is a personal name; purā = colony).
    A settlement named after Hansā.

38. Hetampurā: (Hetam = is a personal name; purā = colony).
   A settlement named after Hetama.

39. Hīṅglot = (Hīṅlot = is a name of Goddess). A settlement named after the Goddess Hīṅglot (Hīṅlot is a other name for Sīṁhvaī Mā).

40. Iṭolāː Iṭo derived from Iṣṭika = Brick; lā = settlement).
   A settlement with houses made of bricks.

41. Jāmbuvaː (derived from s. Jāmbu derived from bot. Syzygium cumini = A name of tree; vā derived from s. vās= settlement). Settlement surrounded by Jambu.

42. Jawahārnagar: (Jawahār = ornament, perl, dimond = is a personal name; nagar = city). A city named after Jawaharlāl Nehru.

43. Jobantekrī: (Joban = is a personal name; ṭekrī = small mound). A settlement situated on a low hill named after Joban.


45. Kālālī = (Kalāl - is ginve brewer or kalālī derived from s. Kalpapala and derived from p. Kālāl.) Village where there are brewers or alcohol or persons who deal in or make alcoholic drinks. The name of this town may be derived from the fact that there were shops of alcoholic drinks there are probably it was given to a kalāl.
46. Kandkoi: (Kand derived from Dra. kundí = upraised land; koi = settlement). Settlement on the upraised land.

47. Kapurai: (Ka = water; purai = pur = colony). Settlement having water logged area.


51. Kashipur: (Kashi = is a personal name; pura = colony). An area named after Kashi.

52. Kelanpur: (Kelan derived from Khelan derived from Krida = Kelan of Kelan = sport; pur = colony). Settlement having ground for sports.

53. Khalipur: (Khalī = enclosure; pur = colony). An enclosed area.

54. Khanpur: (Khan A. A lord = Muslim surname; pur = colony). A settlement named after Khan.

56. Koṭālī: (s. koṭaḍā = small hut; lī = pallaī = village).
   Settlement with small huts.

57. Koṭnā: (derived from s. koṭaḍā = small hut). Settlement
   with small huts.

58. Koyalī : (derived from kui settlement; lī = village).
   A small settlement.

59. Mahāpurā: (Mahā = "big; purā = colony"). A village of
   importance.

60. Makarpurā: (Makar = Another name of God Shankar; purā =
   colony). A settlement having an important temple
   of Shiva.

61. Maṇejā: (Maṇe derived from G. miṇa or Mena = plant whose
   leaves are intoxicating; ja = ijj = village).
   Settlement surrounded by miṇa plants.

62. Māretha: (derived from G. Māretha derived from s.
   Mharashtri derived from bot. spilanthes - oleracea=
   a type of bush). An area surrounded by Māretha
   bushes.

63. Masturpur Gāmḍī: (Mastu A. hidden = is a personal name;
   pur = area + Gāmḍī = village). A settlement named
   after mastu.

64. Meghākui : (Meghā s. clouds = is a personal name; kui =
   settlement). Settlement named after Megh.
65. Muzār Gāmdī: (Mazār derived from p. Muzapur A = is a personal name; Gāmdī = village). A village named after Muzafar (This name is found in Muslim community).

66. Nandesarī: (Nandesari derived from Nandeswar). Village have Nandeswar Shiva temple.


69. Pātarvanī (= Patar derived from s. Patra = in the sense of a place शवानी = meaning use less shrubs or weed). A place having useless shrubs forming part of the local vegetation.

70. Por: (Por derived from s. pur = area). A small settlement.

71. Rabhīpurā: (Rabhī = is a personal name; purā = colony). Settlement named after Rabhī.

72. Raghavpurā: (Rāghav = is a personal name; purā = colony). Settlement named after Raghav.

73. Ramāṇa Gāmdī: (Raman - is a personal name; Gāmdī = small village). Village named after Ramāṇa.
74. Ramnath: (Ramnath s. = is a personal name). Village having the Ramnath temple.

75. Ranoli: (Ran= desert). A village in a desolate area.

76. Rasulpur: (Rasul a. Massanger = is a personal name; pur = colony). Settlement named after Rasul. (This name is found in Muslim community).

77. Ratanpurā: (Ratan gem = is a personal name; purā = colony). Settlement named after Ratan.

78. Rayaka: (Rayaka s. king = is a name of a community). Settlement of Rayaka community.


80. Salāq: (Sal derived from s. Shrisha bot. lebeck Benth = A name of tree; ād = padraka = village). Village with Sal trees).


82. Samastpurā: (Samast = is a personalname; purā = colony). A settlement named after samas;

83. Samiyala: (Sami derived from s. Shami bot. prosopiscineraria). A type of tree) Settlement surrounded by Shami.
84. Samsābād: (sams = is a personal name; abād = town).
   Settlement founded by sams.

85. Sānkardā: (Sānkar derived from Shankar is a personal name).
   A settlement named after Shanker.

86. Sarār: (Sar + āl = Sar derived from s. Āshrya = village; āl derived from s. Pallī - village).
   A settlement.

87. Sayājīpura: (Sayājī = is a personal name; pura = colony).
   A settlement named after Sayaji (One of the Gaekwad kings).

88. Sevāsī: (Sevāsī derived from Sev = habitation area).
   Sev suggestion a habitation area.

89. Shāhpura: (Shāh = is a personal name; pura = colony).
   A settlement named after Shah.

90. Shankarpura: (Shankar = is a personal name; pura = colony).
   A settlement named after Shankar.

   Shirakhī is identified as Sherakhi.
   In the Navsari plate of Karka Svarna Varsha dated 817 A.D.

92. Sindhot: (derived from Sindhwai ma = A goddess).
   Village having a temple of Sindhwai Mā.

94. Sokhḍā: (derived from s. Sushka = dry). A settlement having dry area.

95. Sukhlīpur: (Sukhlī derived from Shukalī = is a personal name; pur colony). A settlement named after Shukalī.

96. Sultanpurā: (Sultan A = is a personal name; pura = colony). A settlement named after Sultan. (This is a found in Muslim Community).

97. Sundarpura: (Sunder - beautiful = is a personal name; pura = colony). A settlement named after Sundar.

98. Talsatī: (T'al or Tad bot. Borassus flabellifer = is a tree name). Saț = plain - plain land having growth of palm.


100. Tarsalī: (bara = three; sālī derived from Shālla = houses). A small village having three prominent houses.

101. Tatārpura: (Tatār = name of community; pura = colony). A settlement named after Tatār community.

103. Untiya: (This word is used for big animals like camels, tigers, lions etc.). Frequent by big animal.


Vadapadraka is identified with modern Vadodara.

A Copper plate of Karka Suvarna Varsha dated 812 A.D.


109. Vāṣṇakotariya: (Vāṣṇa derived from s. vās = settlement; Kotariya = Ravines of a river). The settlement on the ravines of a river.
110. Vasnasaiyad : (Vasana = settlement; Saiyad - is a community). Settlement people of Saiyad Community.

111. Vemali : (Vem derived from Vesam derived from Vehm vem = small village). A small village.

112. Virod: (Vir = brave - is a personal name); Od = padraka = settlement'). The name means a brave. A settlement named after vir, or a settlement which has produced heroes.

113. Vora Gândi : (Vora derived from Vervara = Muslim business community; Gándi = small village). Small settlement having persons of Vora Community.