

WHITE PAPER



An indicative sample of
Mumbai-centric Issue based data
on present Member of Parliament Constituency.

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Foreword

Dear Mumbaikars,

We all know how information if and when used correctly and prudently can bring down governments, shake down tyrannies and compel accountability the likes of which has not yet be seen. Indeed, information can be a force to reckon with. As Praja.org launches its Second White Paper for Lok Sabha constituencies in Mumbai on the eve of the general elections, we hope the information herein can truly help identify the crucial issues plaguing the six Lok Sabha constituencies in and around Mumbai.

This white paper contains details of the problems and issues that citizens of Mumbai face on a day to day basis. The information is collected through Right-to-Information Act and is available on praja.org website. It provides details of the issues in each of the six Lok Sabha constituencies of Greater Mumbai.

While these are issues and problems at the micro level and might not directly pertain to the ambit of scope for a MP, each of them needs a macro and long term approach to bring about a solution. We believe that due to the continuous neglect of national issues like the rule of Law, Good and rational economic policy, decentralization of power and not strictly implementing local self government model has resulted in a vicious fermentation of problems that has created its own vortex of abyss. It is here that the elected members of Parliament need to bring the macro issues to a national consciousness through the power that their constituents bestow them with. And hopefully, through their good offices, goad the relevant implementing authorities to address the issues on a priority basis.

To be sure, the MPs who eventually get elected for this Lok Sabha will have a plethora of promises to keep to their constituents, We only hope this document is able to raise some of the key issues that are plaguing the city of Mumbai. For instance, MCGM has nearly 66% of the complaints that are either Miscellaneous or marked as others. Why cant the civic body specifically list down issues instead of clubbing the complaints under murky and opaque slots like miscellaneous. The lack of clear policies on old buildings, rent acts, redevelopment of old buildings, and over legislation has led to a cycle of corrupt practices from where there appears to be no respite. These are macro issues that need to be addressed to the Parliament, and not just local bodies.

Other city-based issues too deserve a look into by the MPs from a macro perspective. Who would have thought that South Mumbai, with highly educated and affluent residents, considered to be the safest, has the highest rape cases registered? South Mumbai, South central Mumbai and

North Central Mumbai have over 60% of all the rape cases registered in Mumbai. Not just the police, this calls for action from the policy makers and the sociologists as well.

Over the years there has been no improvement in the dropout rates from the Municipal schools. The frightening statistics show that if 100 children enter the 1st standard only 12 remain till the 10th std. Our focus has been always higher education, and not primary . There's an urgent need of pre primary education which is very crucial for every child's development. Our Lok Sabha MPs need to be cognizant of this. Diarrhea is the highest occurring ailment across all the six constituencies in Mumbai. This is directly related to the quality of water supply in Mumbai. Do the MPs not owe to their constituencies to solve such basic primary issues plaguing their vote banks?

The information enclosed are definitely not exhaustive. But they do indicate a trend. It is the responsibility of the MPs to look into these issues and work towards implementing Macro issues which can help solve these problems. They need to exert pressure on local bodies to bring about changes and improvements.

They owe it to us. We demand it of them.

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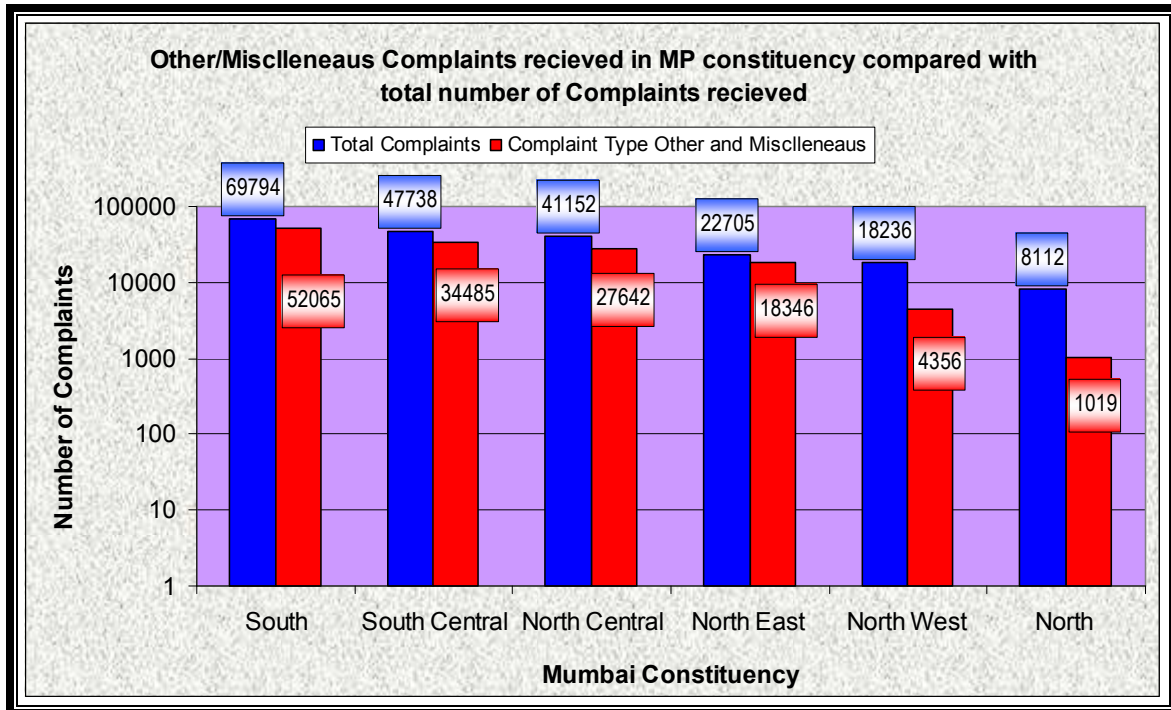
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MAP OF THE 6 CONSTITUENCIES OF MUMBAI



SECTION A: CIVIC ISSUES IN MUMBAI

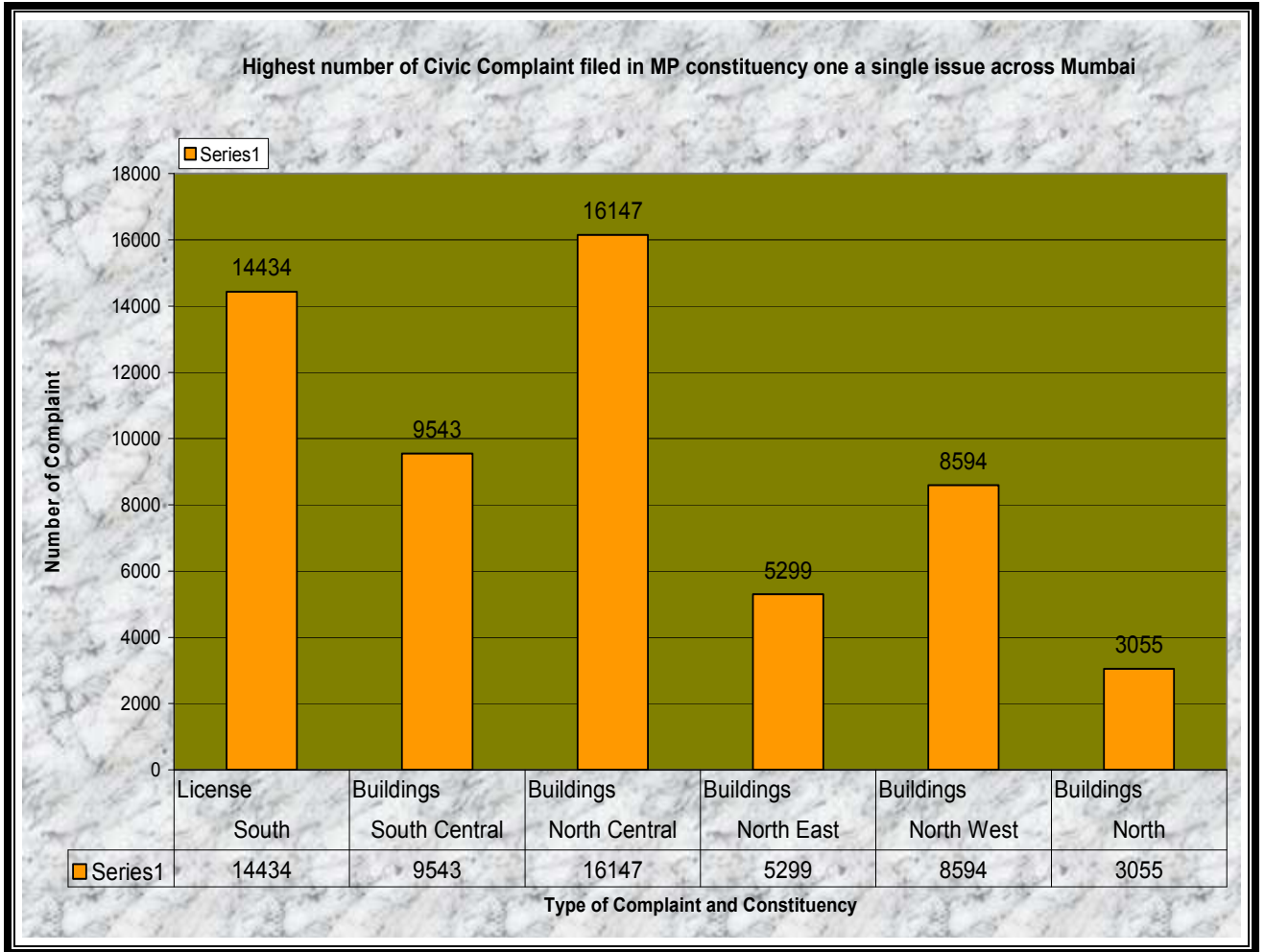
Graph 1: Total number of Complaints filed in MP constituency across Mumbai and in that number of Miscellaneous and related/others complaints.



Inference: This graph shows the total number of complaints received in Blue and next to it in Red is the number of which have been defined by the MCGM as Others and Miscellaneous by the MCGM across the 6 constituencies.

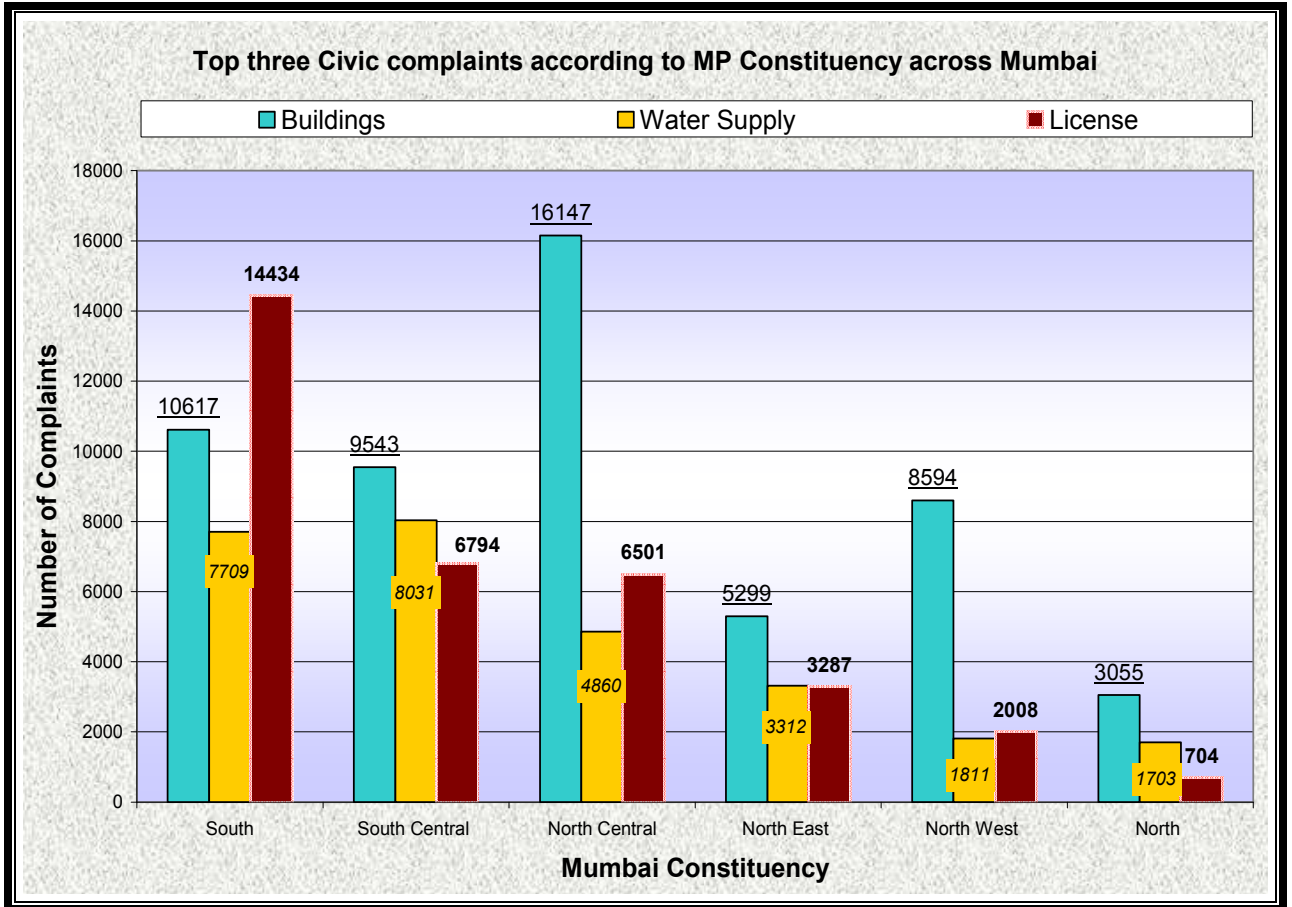
HIGHLIGHT : 66% Of all the complaints received by the MCGM have been pushed into Others and Miscellaneous . If the MCGM itself dose not know how to define the problem how will it be able to solve it . This is a very worrying aspect which needs to be taken into account and solved .

Graph 2: Department receiving highest number of Complaints.



Inference:

Graph 3: Top three complaints filed in MP constituency across Mumbai.



Inference:

This graph shows the top 3 civic problems for the 6 constituencies. Buildings related issues (details of Building related problems given below) is the top civic issue across 5 constituencies. The lack of clear policy's on old buildings, rent act, redevelopment of the old buildings, corruption and over legislation on issues has led to buildings always being the biggest problem in the city.

Building: Complaint types

Private Land/ Building/ Society / Factories, Unauthorized alteration of Bldg, Flat etc Unauthorized Construction / Development building, Related Repairs and reconstruction of OLD buildings, Heavy Leakage from ceiling, Repairs of old building related, Heavy leakage from ceiling and Regularization of Balcony Enclosures.

License Complaint type :

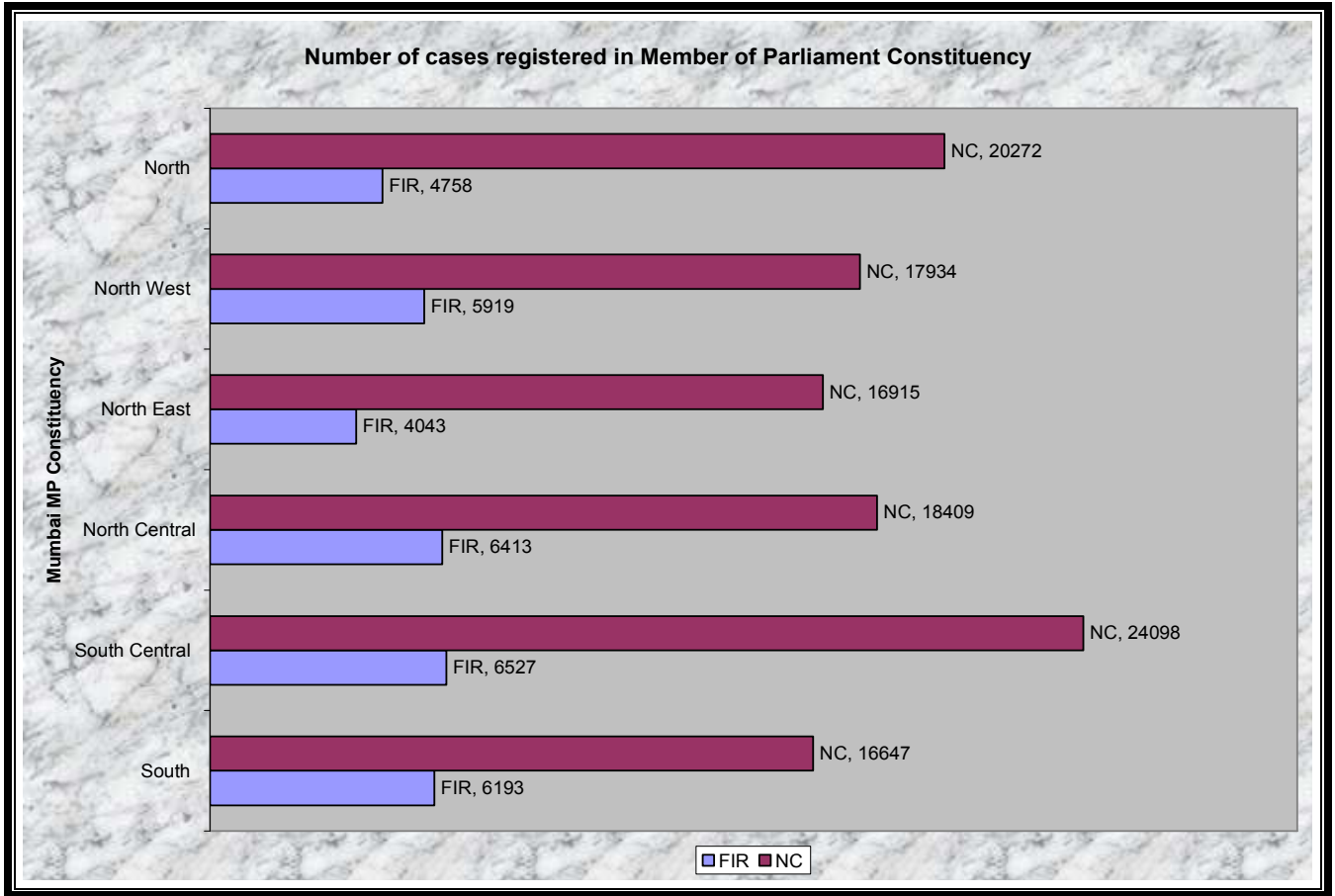
Hawkers at unauthorized place, License related, MOH related, Trade without License, Unauthorised food selling/ Preparation, Unauthorized banners/ Advt on road, Unauthorized stalls on roads / Footpaths, Unauthorized storage of explosives, Unauthorized workshop or garage, Factory (FAC) related and Unauthorized flour mill.

Water Complaint Type :

**Shortage of water supply /Providing water by tankers /Water Supply Related /
Leaks in water lines /Burst water main lines/Contaminated water supply /
Unauthorized tapping of water connections /Use of booster pump
Water supply during non-supply hours/Corruption water supply related.**

SECTION B: CRIME ISSUES IN MUMBAI

Graph1: Number of Cases registered in MP constituency across Mumbai

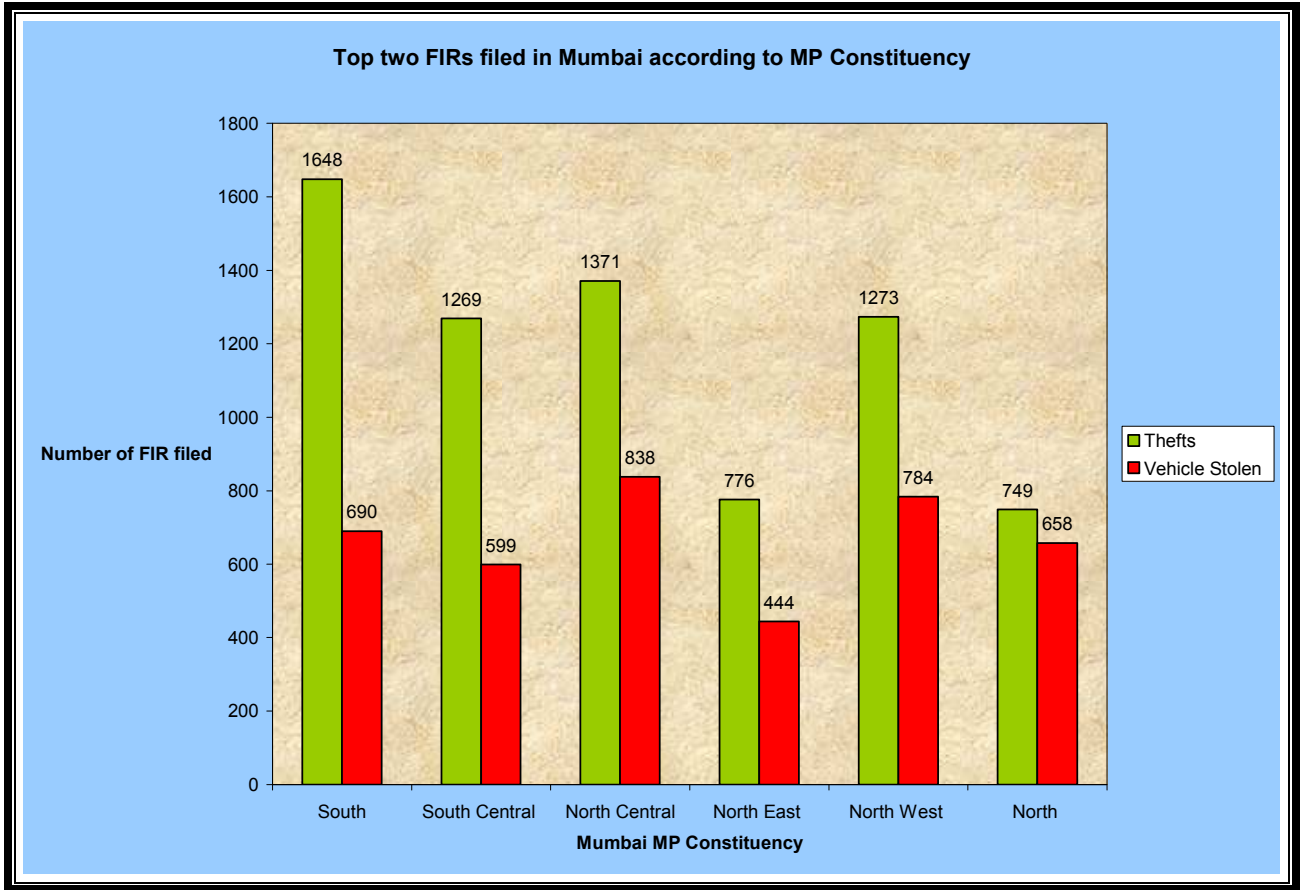


Inference: This graph shows the details of all the cases (FIR and NC) registered in 6 constituencies across Mumbai .

HIGHLIGHT :

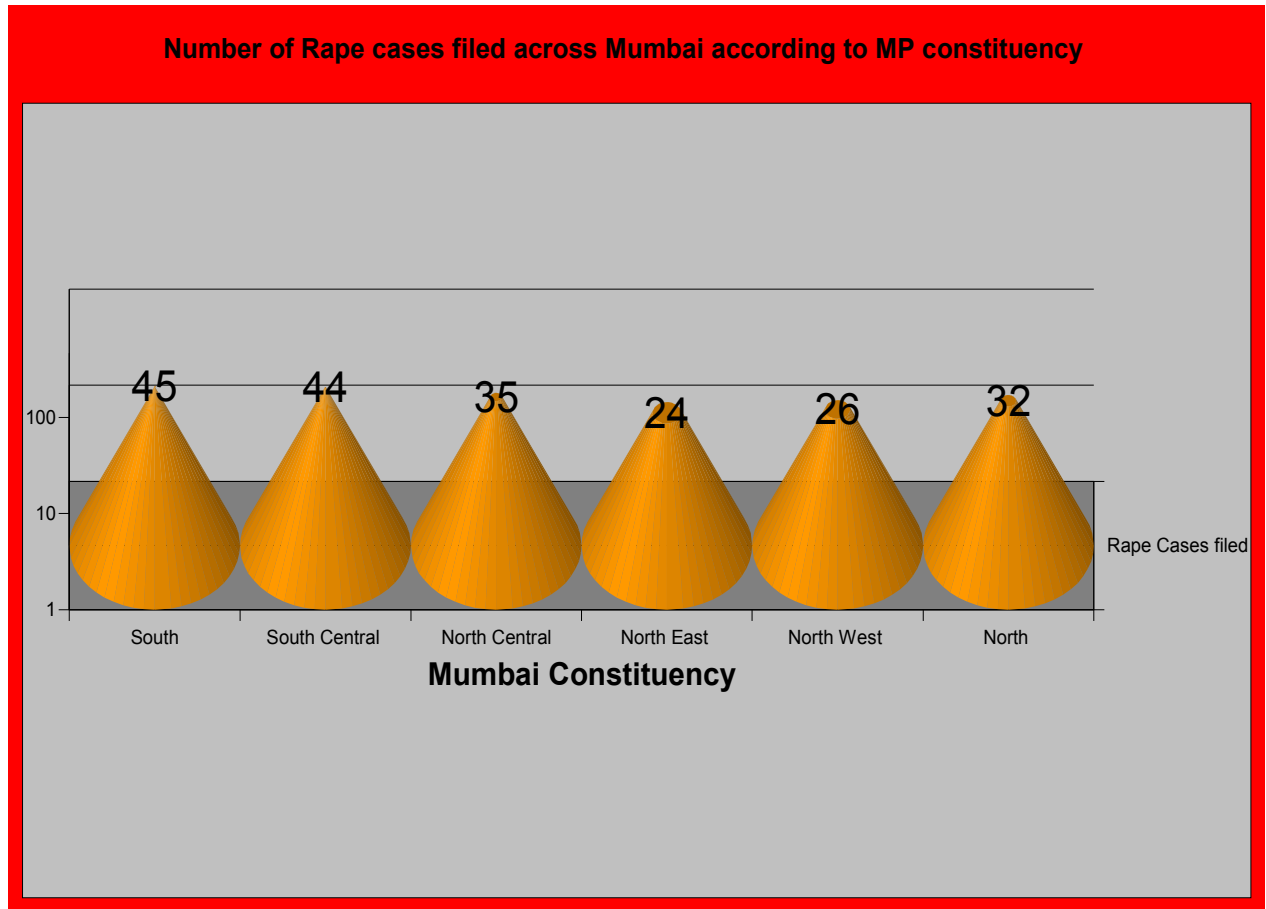
South central has the highest cases registered in both FIR and NC .

Graph 2: Top two FIR cases according to MP Constituency.



Inference: This graph shows the top to issues in the FIR registered in Mumbai . As you can see Thefts and car thefts are the common across all 6 constituencies in Mumbai .

Graph 3: Number of Rape cases filed across MP constituency in Mumbai.

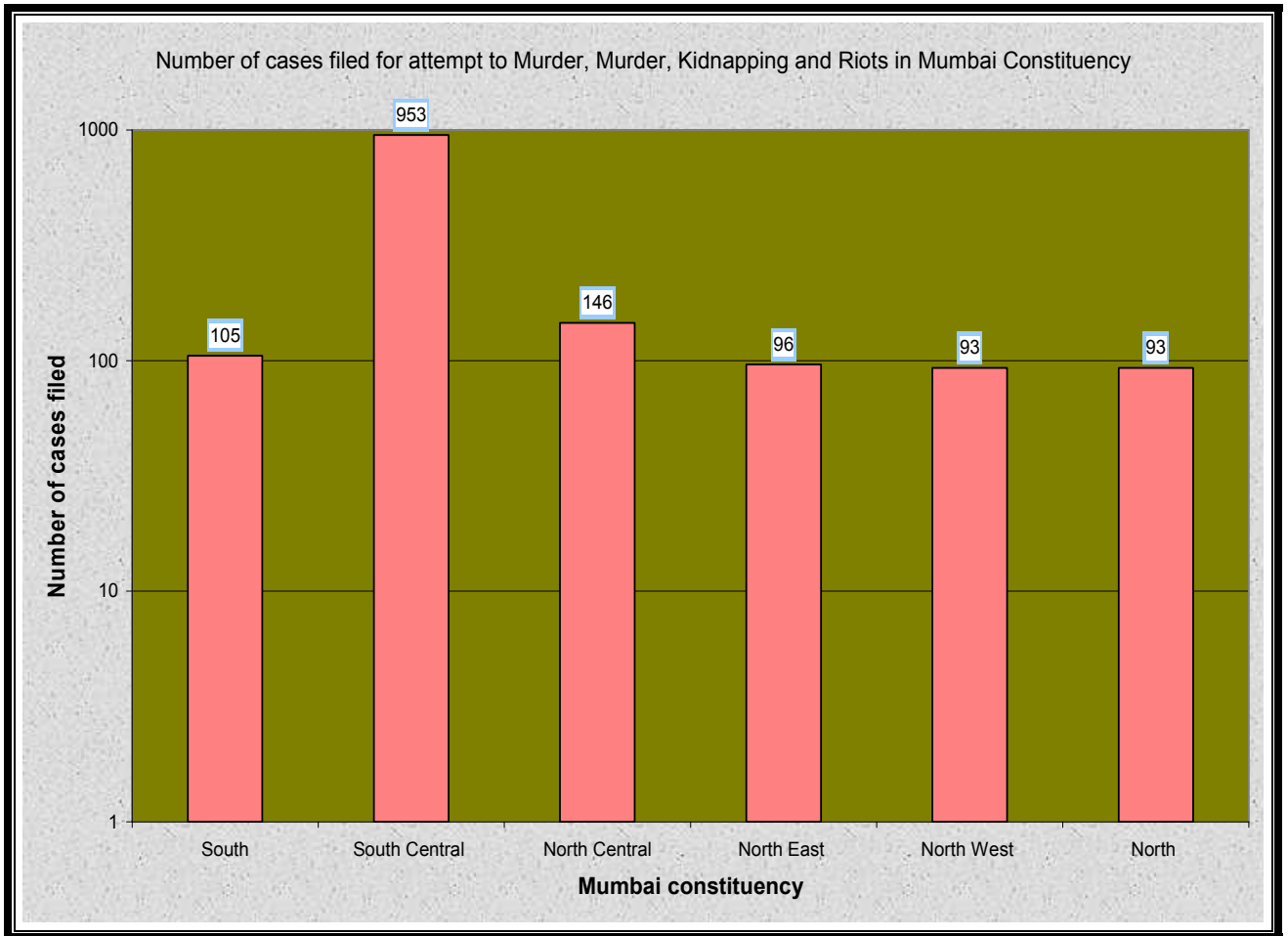


Inference: : This graph shows the number of Rape cases registered across each of the 6 constituencies.

HIGHLIGHT :

The surprising part is that South Mumbai considered the safest , highly educated and affluent has the highest cases of Rape registered . South Mumbai, South central Mumbai and North Central Mumbai have over 60% of all the rape cases registered .

Graph 4: Heinous Crime across Constituency



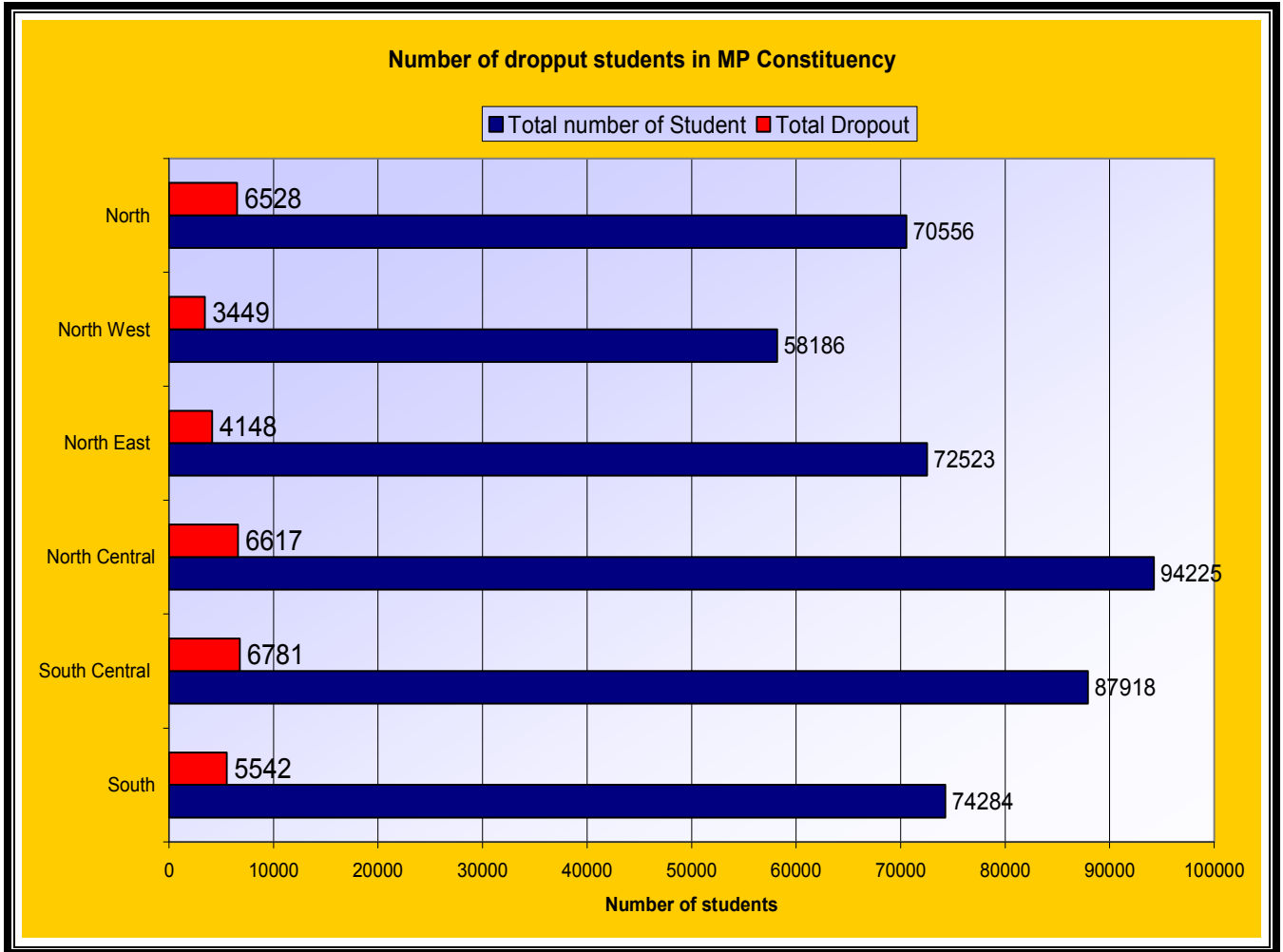
Inference: This graph shows the number of heinous crimes (Murder attempt to murder Kidnapping and riots) registered across 6 constituencies in Mumbai .

HIGH LIGHTS :

Again surprisingly South , South central and North Central have 81% of all the heinous registered in Mumbai .

SECTION C: EDUCATION IN MUMBAI

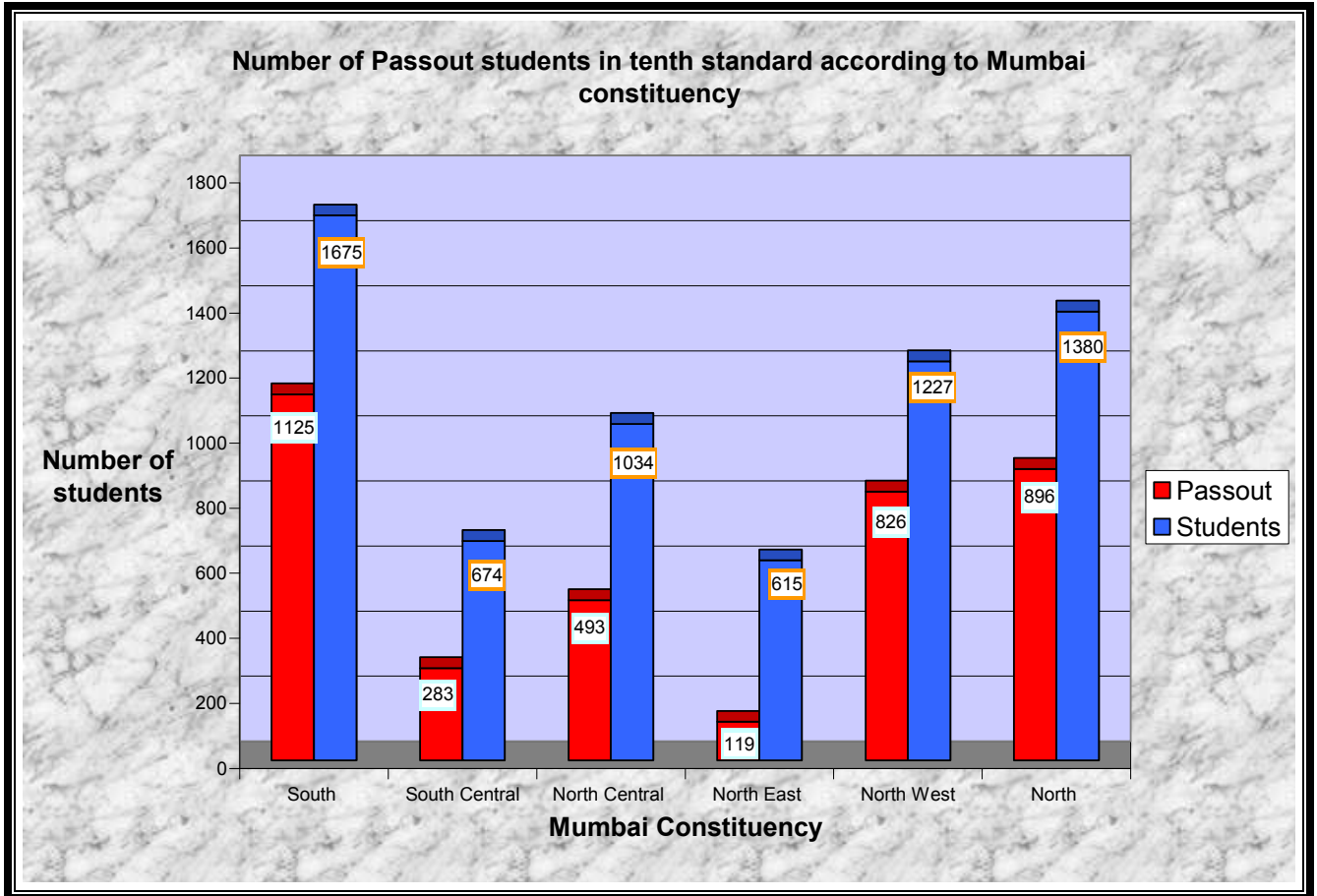
Graph 1: Number of Dropout Students in Mumbai Constituency.



Inference: This graph shows the drop outs from the Municipal schools in one year . We are seeing a drop out rate between 5% to 8% each year .

HIGHLIGHT : Over the years there has been no improvement in the dropout rates from the Municipal schools the frightening statistics show that if 100 children enter the 1st standard only 12 remain till the 10th std . Our focus has been always higher education and not primary . Also the urgent need of pre primary education which is very crucial for every child's development . this must be made part of the Primary education .

Graph 2: Number of Passout students in tenth standard.



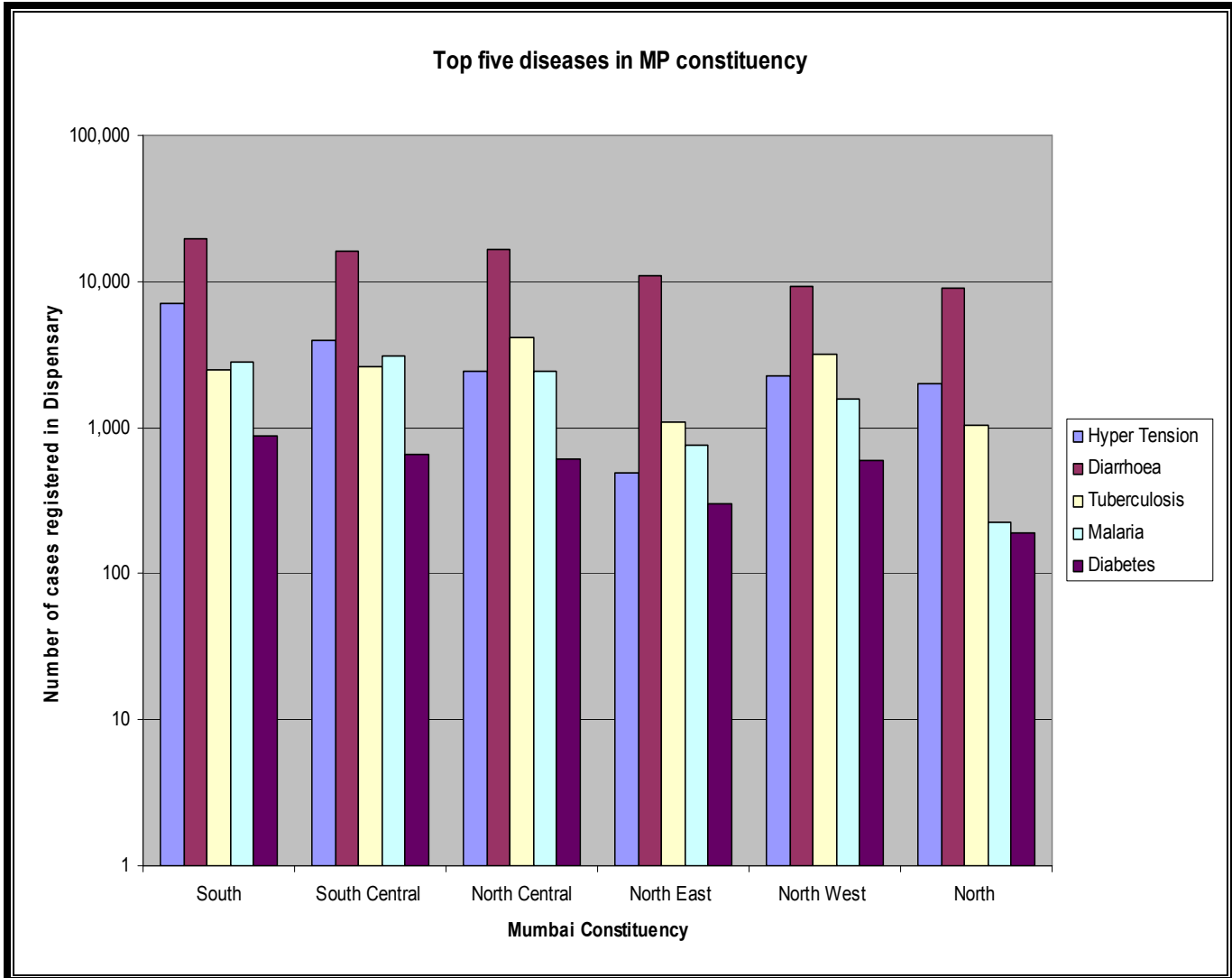
Inference: : This graph shows the details of the number of students passing out of the 10th std .

HIGHLIGHT :

The north east constituency has the lowest passing rate .

SECTION C: HEALTH IN MUMBAI

Graph1: Top five diseases in Mumbai Constituency.

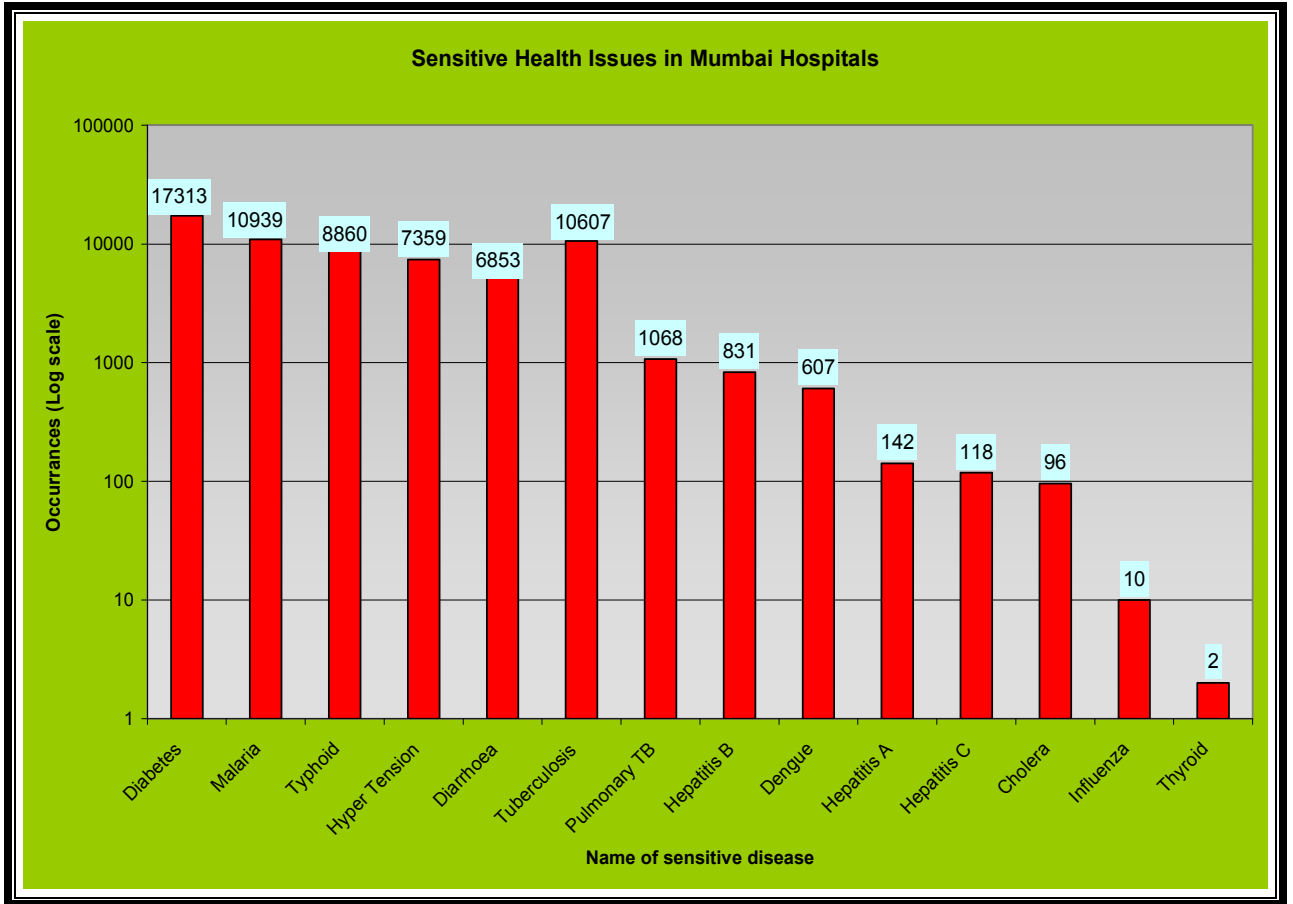


Inference: This graph shows the top five diseases registered at the municipal dispensary's which are run by the MCGM across the city .

HIGHLIGHT :

Diarrhea is the highest across 6 constituencies in Mumbai . This is directly related to the quality of water supply in Mumbai . What is surprising that even a city like Mumbai which is the best that India has to offer in terms of facility's is not been able to provided till now the basics of clean drinking water .

Graph2: Sensitive Disease across Mumbai constituency.



Inference: This graph gives you the details of the health issue across Mumbai which have been registered in The hospitals run by the MCGM and State Government .