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Acronyms

ABO  Area Based Organisation  
CBO  Community Based Organisation  
CDC  Community Development Council  
CIDA  Canada International Development Agency  
CMC  Colombo Municipal Corporation  
DCC  Dhaka City Corporation  
DFID  Department for International Development (UK Government)  
FAUP  Faisalabad Area Upgrading Project (a DFID funded project)  
FDA  Faisalabad Development Authority  
ICDDR,B  International Centre for Diarrhoeal Disease and Research, Bangladesh  
KMC  Karachi Metropolitan Corporation
Glossary

Activist Someone who follows the line of vigorous action for a cause.

Bangalee A person from Bangladesh.

Daily worker Worker employed on a day-to-day basis.

Dastoori Traditional payments from sweepers to supervisors.

Filth depot Transfer point to store waste.

Katchi abadi Squatter settlement.

Lac Equal to 100,000 in number.

Marla An area of about 25m².

Micro-enterprise A low capital intensive service delivery or production business, consisting of an individual or up to about 20 people. The organisations or individuals are assuming all the risks for the sake of profit.

Mohallah A group of houses in the same area.

Waste picker A person who makes a living by extracting valuable elements from waste and selling them.

Punchayat committee A committee formed at the neighbourhood level to resolve minor conflicts.

Parchee Written permission from sanitary inspector to sweeper.

Sui gas Natural gas.

VIP road Important road.

Ward The administrative areas into which a city is split.

Ward Commissioner Political representative of an administrative section of the city

Wigar Assigning duties for absentees

FMC Faisalabad Municipal Corporation

MPA Member of Provincial Assembly

MPCO Multi-purpose Community Organisation

Rs Rupees, Currency of Pakistan

Tk Taka, Currency of Bangladesh

UWEP Urban Waste Expertise Program

WASA Water And Sanitation Agency