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Main Shopping Street, Vandavasi

Questions.

What can you see in this street?

What can you work out from this picture about how people came to the street?

Why do you think they came to this street?

How many different sorts of things can you see for sale?

Are any streets near your home like this one? What is the same? What is different?

How many styles of Indian dress can you see in the photograph?

Background

This is a shopping street in the centre of the town of Vandavasi. There are two rows of shops here as these shop buildings are on two storeys. There are also movable stalls in the street which are called "wheelbarrows". There is colourful advertising, and displays are open to the street so as to attract the attention of shoppers. Many of the shoppers and shopkeepers are men. Women going to shop are often accompanied by their husbands.

Often streets in Indian towns are quite dirty as people leave rubbish everywhere—you can see that Vandavasi is actually a well-cared for town and there is little obvious rubbish here.



