would generate a good deal of economic spin-offs.

Stadium Based Commercial Complex at Rajdanga along RB Connector - M/s Merlin Projects Ltd. has been selected as the private partner following adoption of competitive bidding process. The project involves construction of a Stadium (4000-capacity) over about 4 acres and a Commercial Complex on the remaining 2 acres of land. The project is likely to be completed by 2008. The Stadium would meet a long-standing demand of the locality.

Dankuni Township : DLF Dankuni Consortium has been selected as the private partner through an international competitive bidding process for implementation of the integrated township at Dankuni extending over 4840 acres of land. The project provides for an exclusive segment of 771 acres for development of industries. This is the largest township project in India under PPP.

There are other PPP projects that are now being processed towards selection of the private partners/developers.

However, in the arena of basic infrastructure development, adequate response of private sector is yet to be witnessed. Further amendments in PPP Policy may be introduced with a view to providing further fillip to PPP ventures.

Other Projects/Programmes

KMDA continues to operate and maintain health care infrastructure and services that KMDA created in different municipal towns under CSIP/IPP8.

KMDA undertakes planning and development works for projects assigned to KMDA by different agencies. KMDA has acquired expertise in use of Geographic Information System (GIS), especially in the context of municipal management. KMDA
has started extending consulting services to other agencies like WBSEB in the matter of GIS. KMDA has executed schemes on behalf of R&R Department, Govt. of West Bengal & West Bengal Police.

During 2005-06, KMDA has been engaged in execution of numerous schemes under the above-mentioned programmes covering different sectors of infrastructure. An account of the major schemes under implementation by KMDA during 2005-06 is presented in Annexure-II.

Planning Activities of KMDA

As far as planning activities of KMDA are concerned, the same can be broadly divided into two categories, viz. development planning and regulatory planning.

KMDA’s developmental planning exercise dates back to 1974, when KMDA set up its own planning wing comprising multi-disciplinary planning professionals to review the then Basic Development Plan, 1966-1986, for CMD – considered to be the pioneering planning document at that point of time. KMDA reviewed the BDP in the context of the prevailing development perspective and came up with revised development perspective for KMA that guided the investment planning of KMDA. Since then, KMDA has brought out several revisions of the development perspective in the light of changing circumstances.

The latest long-term perspective plan for KMA is Vision 2025, which presents a 25-year development perspective for KMA from 2001 to 2025. It has endeavoured to anticipate, to the extent possible, the future development profile in different fields, has projected the 2025 population in KMA and visualized the future metropolitan structure. The Plan then takes a stock of the infrastructure sectoral profiles and devises the strategies that should be followed in each sector towards realizing the vision of KMA.

VISION

The vision is to provide sustained and improved quality of life through basic urban services in an inclusive manner and create enabling environment for attracting domestic and international investors to live, work & invest in Kolkata Metropolitan Area

Vision Drivers

- Planned urban growth
- Integrated Rural – Urban continuum
- Economising on use of natural resources