

CLASSIFICATION OF AREA

The total geographical area of the Union Territory of Puducherry is 480.58 Sq. Km according to the Survey of India, whereas it is reported as 48,651 hectares according to village paper, which is classified into nine categories.

The following table gives the nine fold classification of land utilization and the area under each category with its respective percentage to the total geographical area.

Sl.No.	Category	2005 – 06	
		Area in Hectare	Percentage to total Geographical area
1.	Forest	–	-
2.	Land put to non – agricultural use	17787	36.56
3.	Barren and un culturable land	72	0.15
4.	Permanent pastures and other grazing land	0	0.00
5.	Land under misc. tree crops and groves	1156	2.38
6.	Culturable waste	4077	8.38
7.	Other fallow land	2687	5.52
8.	Current fallow	2159	4.44
9.	Net area sown	20713	42.57