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डर के साए में शॉपिंग कॉम्प्लेक्स के दुकानदार



बुरे हालात

- 80 से ज्यादा दुकानें हैं इस शॉपिंग कॉम्प्लेक्स में
- जर्जर हालत के चलते लोगों ने यहां आना किया कम

पूरी बिल्डिंग की दीवारों और पिलर्स में आई दरारें, हादसे का खतरा

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नारायणा विहार के ए ब्लॉक स्थित लोकल शॉपिंग कॉम्प्लेक्स बिल्डिंग की हालत काफी दयनीय है। लोगों ने बताया कि पूरी बिल्डिंग की दीवारों में दरार आई हुई हैं। ऐसे में यहां कभी भी हादसा हो सकता है। लोगों ने कई बार संबंधित विभाग से शिकायत की, लेकिन उनकी एक नहीं सुनी गई।

मार्केट असोसिएशन के प्रधान शैलेन्द्र वशिष्ठ ने बताया कि शॉपिंग कॉम्प्लेक्स की बिल्डिंग पूरी तरह से जर्जर हालत में है। यह बिल्डिंग डीडीए की है और साफ-सफाई की जिम्मेदारी एमसीडी की है। इस कॉम्प्लेक्स में

80 से ज्यादा दुकानें हैं। दिनभर यहां लोगों की आवाजाही रहती है, लेकिन बिल्डिंग के जर्जर होने के बाद यहां लोगों ने आना बंद कर दिया। इससे दुकानदारी भी खराब हो रही है।

दुकानदार राकेश व यहां रहने वाले आदित्य तंवर ने बताया कि कुछ दिन पहले ही बिल्डिंग की छत का प्लास्टर नीचे गिरा था। गनीमत रही कि कोई घायल नहीं हुआ। आदित्य ने बताया कि यहां की छतों का लेंटर दिखने लगा है। बिल्डिंग के पिलर में भी दरार आई हुई है। वहीं इस समस्या को लेकर मार्केट असोसिएशन के लोगों ने कई बार शिकायत की, लेकिन कोई एक्शन नहीं लिया गया।

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Delicious feud! Punjab milk brand may vie for space in parks

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New Delhi: More milk from Punjab is set to flow into the city. With Delhi Municipal Corporation giving the go-ahead to Punjab Milkfed to sell its Verka brand in Delhi, the milk producers' cooperative plans to begin with 100 booths in the capital. Till now, only Amul was permitted to set up booths at designated spots across the city's localities.

The leading milk seller in the capital is Mother Dairy, which was originally set up to cater to Delhi and NCR, but later expanded to other parts of the country. A year ago, MCD decided to allow milk booths in neighbourhood parks with the aim of having the milk seller maintaining the park too. Under this scheme, Amul was allowed to set up milk booths at such places.

The proposal to allow Verka to sell its products at

park kiosks and in repurposed dhalaos in the city was tabled at MCD's meeting on Tuesday by two AAP councillors. The proposal moved by Prem Chauhan and Parveen Kumar said, "The milk booth policy in place in MCD permits setting up sale facilities in parks of half acre and above. The policy is aimed at boosting maintenance of parks given the shortage of gardeners. Often the maintained parks lose their sheen due to lack of maintenance while the dhalaos are a source of nuisance."

As the House proposal elaborated, the policy stated that the person running the milk booth was responsible for maintaining the park or dhalaos. "Therefore, this House resolves that on the basis of the existing policy for establishing Amul booths in municipal parks, a policy for establishing booths run by other

FLOWING IN

- 100 | Booths to be started by Verka in the city
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Rates to be paid by milk seller for use of disused dhalaos in municipal zones

Central and south	West and Najafgarh
₹ 70 per sq feet	₹ 56 per sq feet



Photo: Om Prakash

government co-operative societies should be prepared and the tender process should start immediately," the proposal said.

Narinder Singh Shergill,

chairman of Milkfed, told TOI that Punjab had already been supplying 20,000 litres of milk daily to 400 shops in central, west and north Delhi through 21 distributors. "The

goal is to increase the supply to two lakh litres," said Shergill. "To achieve this, we will need to augment our presence by setting up booths to sell Punjab Markfed products and

hiring more employees in Delhi." He added that CM Bhagwant Mann was keen to have Verka selling outside the state.

A senior MCD official said, "Any further development on the proposal will happen after the nod from the municipal commissioner." The sale of Verka products — milk packets, curd, cheese, ice creams, lassi and kheer — has been facilitated in no small measure by the same party, Aam Aadmi Party, being in power in Punjab and Delhi.

"Till March, permission had been granted to Amul to open 173 milk booths, of which 76 are now operating," disclosed an official. Amul and Verka will now vie for all new booths, whenever and wherever they are approved.

In September 2022, the remunerative and project cell of MCD implemented a unified policy to set up milk booths, prominently Amul sale

points, despite some resistance from residents' welfare associations. Under the policy, milk booth operators are allowed to make a single storey kiosk of around 150 square feet without using cement or mortar at its own cost and pay the water and electricity costs themselves.

The rates paid by the milk seller for the use of disused dhalaos will vary according to the area. In the central and south municipal zones, the rate has been fixed at Rs70 per sq feet of selling space, whereas in the west and Najafgarh zone, the rate is Rs56 per sq feet. "These rates are based on those adopted by New Delhi Municipal Council, Delhi Development Authority and shops auctioned by the government of India as approved by MCD in August 2020," the official added.

(With inputs from Chandigarh)

Removed concrete around trees at 9k spots: DDA to HC

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New Delhi: Delhi Development Authority (DDA) claims to have removed concrete around trees at more than 9,000 locations within the city.

In a status report, the civic agency informed Delhi High Court that as per the latter's orders on deconcretisation of trees, a fresh survey was carried out in December 2022 by its horticulture department. "In the survey, 9,552 locations were identified where the deconcretisation work was required to be completed. The said deconcretisation work has been completed at 9,152 locations and the work at approximately 400 locations throughout Delhi could not be completed due to feasibility constraints like trees being in religious structures, dangerous boundary walls, dangerous drain walls, etc.," DDA stated.

The land-owning agency

DDA SAYS

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said it had about 86,500 trees growing alongside roads falling under its jurisdiction and 759 parks. "The tree census does not cover the trees growing in forest areas as these areas have natural dense growth. It is, however, pertinent to mention that there are no instances of concretisation in these areas," it added.

The court had last week asked various stakeholders, including the forest department, to inform how many trees had been deconcretised in the city and steps taken in this regard. It had earlier is-

sued notices to several agencies and sought to know the steps taken by them to prevent concretisation of trees in their respective areas.

While hearing a plea on the alleged inaction by agencies over deconcretisation of trees in Vasant Vihar, the court had decided to examine the extent of the problem across the capital. Filed by activist Bhavreen Kandhari through advocate Aditya N Prasad, the plea led the court to flag "victimisation of trees" and demand an explanation from the authorities concerned.

In its response, DDA said that "deconcretisation of trees is a continuous process as there are regular setbacks created in some residential areas where the residents cover the exposed soil area around trees for aesthetic purposes. For that, a regular survey is conducted and the notified areas are immediately deconcretised."