

बृहन्मुंबई महानगरपालिका

जी/उत्तर विभाग

“Demolition of hutments at Sanualla & Navrang Compound at Dharavi, G/North Ward”



INTRODUCTION

"CLEARANCE OF RESIDENTIAL/COMMERCIAL HUTMENTS ALONG 96" WATER MAINS SUPPLYING WATER TO ALL PARTS OF SOUTH MUMBAI"

A) PREAMBLE -

The actual demand of water supply for Citizens of Mumbai is about 4200 MLD, out of which 3250 MLD water is supplied from various sources like Tanasa, Vaitarna, Modak Sagar & Tulsi Vihar. The water is initially treated at Pise Panjarapur & Bhandup Complex and thus the treated water is supplied thru' 135 Kms of pipe lines to different parts of the Mumbai to cater the needs of about 1.5 Crores population. The water supply is branched into 1450mm towards western suburbs & 1800 mm pipe line passes through Dharavi. One pipe line is 106" (2150 mm) & the other line is of 96" (1800 mm). The underground water mains passes thru" Dharavi till the end of South Mumbai are provided with various valves for controlling the flow of water supply to the various parts of the city.

Dharavi is the largest & densely populated area which is on M.C.G.M. Land. Navrang Compound is situated at west side of water mains and Sanaula Compound is situated at east side of water mains. The water mains were encroached by hutment dwellers prior to 1976 and the operation & maintenance of pipelines was a difficult task.



B) P.I.L. -

P.I.L. was lodged by Janhit Manch under No.140 of 2006 to Hon'ble High Court and High Court has ordered to remove the encroachment at the distance of 10 mtrs. from either side of water mains in four phases.....

Phase-I.. G/North, 'S' Ward ..Upto
31.3.2011

Phase-II.. 'N','T', M/West Ward ..Upto
31.3.2013

Phase-III.. K/East,F/North Ward..Upto
31.3.2014

Phase-IV.. H/East, 'L' Ward .. Upto
31.3.2015

The last date was given by the Hon'ble High Court to remove all the hutments is 31st March 2011. This was a great challenge in front of us which was accepted with the great deal of dedication and management skill.



C) **STRATEGY :-**

Several big godowns were situated at Navrang Compound & Sanualla Compound. The main business of dyeing, colouring, paint making, plastic shredding, lime products and chemical based industries were running thereat. Due to the strategic location, the anti social elements have occupied the business & residential huts. All the structures were in the shape of huge godowns, Ground +1, ground + 2, ground +3 & ground + 4. In this location only one 2 feet entry was possible in the complete stretch of about 350 Mtrs. and the area was adjacent to huge Mosque and there were chances of creating disturbance of communal sentiments and hence, the proper planning and execution was essential. Accordingly, the various strategies were planned as follows. :-



i) **POLICE BANDOBAST -**

Shahu Nagar Police Station was the concerned Police Station. Several meetings were arranged with A.C.P, D.C.P.(Zone-V), Sr.P.I. & L.I.B. Section with a request to arrange for S.R.P. with special type of vehicles so as to avoid any communal riots or attack on the demolition squad.



ii) MACHINERY -

Due to huge constructions, the machinery such as 03 Poclain, 09 J.C.B., 30 Dumpers, 04 Gas Cutters, Ropes, Barricades etc. were arranged. Also, the Fire Brigade Vehicles & Ambulances were kept ready in case of emergency.



iii)

PERSONNEL :-

The following departments were involved in the demolition action.



Maintenance -

For preparation of station survey plan & demarcation of 10 mtrs. line
On either side of water mains, inventory of affected structures as per
demarcation, issue of notices to the affected structures & demolition
action.



Colony - Verification of documents & deciding eligibility of hutment dwellers



T.A.V.O. & Enquiry -
Encroachment -

days of demolition.

Licence -
permissions issued by
Shops&Estt.-

For scrutinizing the documents.

For clearing all the roads leading to the site i.e. Dharavi Main Road and Jasmine Mill Road on the

To check the papers at site for various their department.

To check Shops & Establishment Registration if



Bldg. & Fact. - For demolition action.

Environment - For Providing Machinery & Labour Staff for cleaning the site.

Assistant Commissioner (Removal of Encroachment.) -

belongings of eligible hutment dwellers to Lallubhai Compound in Mankhurd.



shifting of belongings of eligible hutment dwellers to Lallubhai Compound in Mankhurd.



Hydraulic Engineer's Deptt. -

For demarcation of water mains and accordingly to start the construction of compound wall after demolition is over.

Security -

For providing security to the officers.



DEMOLITION ACTION :-

PHASE – I

On 5th & 6th July 2011 :-

Inspite of stiff resistance, hue & cry, emotional & religious sentimental allegations, heavy political pressure from all the political parties, stone pelting on poclain & heavy rain fall, the demolition was started at 8.00 a.m. on 5th & 6th July 2011.

The huge structures & godowns all along western side i.e. at Sanaulla Compound were demolished. There were huge fumes of acids, hazardous chemicals, strong smelling smoke & the clouds of poisonous fumes were formed. During the demolition action, a welder who was privately hired, was working on the 4th floor of nearby godown had fell down and succumbed to death.

Other than this incident, no injury or no causality was happened at site. Inspite of heavy rains, the demolition action was completed in two days and about 238 structures were demolished.



PHASE – II

On 26th September 2011 :-

After dismissal of Writ Petition by the hutment dwellers in Supreme Court & High Court, the next demolition action was planned on 27.09.2011. There were rumours that M.C.G.M. will demolish the huge mosque.

However, Shahu Nagar Police Station had taken up the situation nicely. As a preventive measure, about 15 persons were taken into custody on the previous night with the notice of I.P.C.146, so as to avoid any untoward incident at site.



FUND PROVISION :-

The fund of Rs.4 Lakhs was provided by H.E.Deptt.
for
arrangement of Total
Station Survey & also for the machiney such as Poclain,
Dumpers, J.C.B., Gas Cutters etc.
The compound wall is being constructed by H.E.Deptt.

SERIES OF LITIGATION :-

The following litigations were lodged to differ the M.C.G.M. from demolition.

Writ Petition No.813 of 2011 was lodged by 79 hutment dwellers, in which, the **Hon'ble High Court** has directed to give hearing to 79 hutment dwellers by the Senior Officer. Accordingly, the hearing was given to the hutment dwellers in the office of D.M.C.(Zone-II) on 31.3.2011 and consequently in the office of Assistant Commissioner, G/North Ward on 24.05.2011 to 27.05.2011, 04.07.2011, 16.07.2011, 21.07.2011 & 17.08.2011 in presence of the representatives of political parties, hutment dwellers, T.A.V.O., Enquiry Officers., Colony Officers & the staff of Maintenance Deptt., so as to give the hearings in a transparent manner.

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POCLAIN WORKING IN HUGE ACIDIC FUMES



As per Writ Petition No.1443 of 2011, about 52 hutment dwellers have moved to **Hon'ble High Court** with a say that injustice was made with them. No proper hearing was given and no sufficient time was given to submit their documents. They have also requested to allow them re-hab units in the vicinity of Dharavi. Hon'ble High Court has directed that hearings be given to the hutment dwellers to allow them to submit the documents upto 21.07.2011. The said writ petition was dismissed by the **Hon'ble High Court** on 27.07.2011 and instructed M.C.G.M. to take demolition.



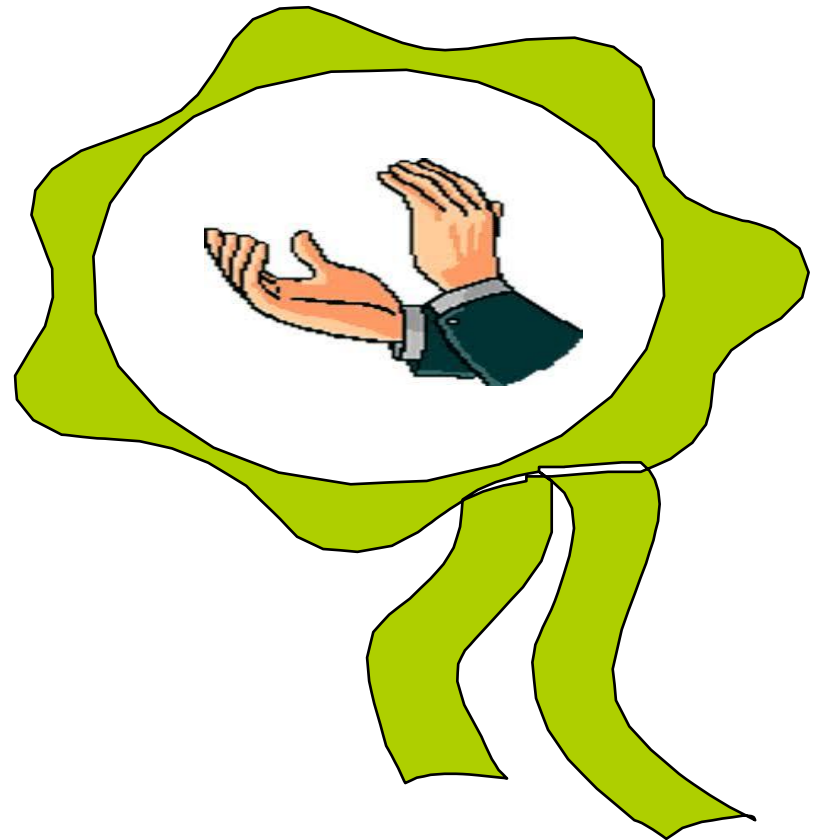
Aggrieved with the judgement passed by the Hon'ble High Court, the hutment dwellers moved to Hon'ble Supreme Court. Hon'ble Supreme Court has directed Hon'ble High Court to take decision on this and no relief was given. The Hon'ble Supreme Court has dismissed the Petition on 29.08.2011.



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Inspite of High Court's clear-cut judgement at several times, the petitioners have moved to Hon'ble High Court with a request for some time period for shifting their belongings. The petitioners were given time period of about 3 weeks by the Hon'ble High Court.



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धारावीतील जलवाहिन्यांलगतची बांधकामे जमीनदोस्त

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Not on our pipelines any more

By a staff reporter

Azad Shrivastava / ADC



ABOUT TIME THIS WAS DONE: The slums located along and on the city's water pipelines were demolished and thus living there were forced to move out.

Despite stiff resistance from slum dwellers, the Brihanmumbai Municipal Corporation (BMC) carried out demolition of illegal structures located along the main water pipelines at various parts of the city, especially those along the water mains that provide drinking water to the city. The demolition work was done amidst tight security provided by various security agencies.

The action has been taken on the directive of High Court that had put the BMC for not putting enough stringent security measures to protect the pipelines which are the only conduits to bring in water to city from the various water reservoirs.

Since early morning, the BMC started demolishing illegal structures on pipelines at Navrang Compound and Sanaulah Compound. According to the officials, there were about 400 illegal structures including a ground plus one and ground plus two structures.

Keeping in mind the usual stiff resistance from the slum dwellers, civic body had requested security help from the Maharashtra State Police and the State Reserve Police Force (SRPF). Around 500 police personnel were deployed for this task.

Assistant Commissioner (G/N ward office) Devendra Kumar Jain said, "Action has been taken on the direction of the court (High Court). We have removed several structures and work is still going on in Navrang and Sanaulah compounds." He added "There was stiff

resistance from the slum dwellers, but no untoward situation occurred as sufficient security had been plane. Slum dwellers who have valid proof of residence from or before 1985, the BMC is planning to provide them alternate shelters.

MHADA files FIR...

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"We verify the documents and claims of the applicants twice. Once when they apply and secondly after they secure the custody of their flat," said the officer. Acting on a tip-off, the vigilance team of MHADA conducted a raid on the flat of Bhadravarna at Dahisar

and asked her to substantiate her claims of being a journalist. "She failed to provide any evidence of her being part of the Dainik Bhaskar Group, thus we filed an FIR against her at the Kherwadi police station," said a senior vigilance

officer, MHADA. Avdoot Chavan, assistant police inspector, Kherwadi, confirmed that the FIR was filed by the housing body against the accused and they are investigating the case. "She might be arrested from her home in

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मुख्य जलवाहिन्या झोपडीमुक्त होणार

धारावीतील चारशे झोपड्यांवर कारवाई

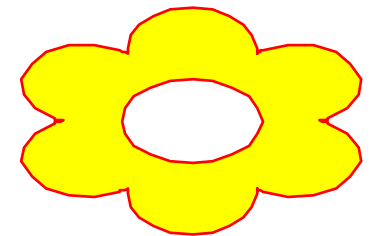
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BENEFITS

The chances of damaging the water mains are Nil and also the contamination of water & anti-social terrorist activities are less. The maintenance time will be reduced due to sufficient space available for maintenance work of water mains which supply water to all parts of South Mumbai.



CONCLUSION



Inspite of stiff resistance & Political pressure, the 96" water mains which supply water to entire South Mumbai were got cleared from encroachment. This is also one sort of patronage type of work executed by us in the interest of general public and and as a result, M.C.G.M. will be in a position to protect the water mains from damages, theft and mishandling by anti-social elements 24 x 7 x 365 days for the benefits of the citizens of Mumbai.









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