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Adv. RAHUL S. NARWEKAR

SPEAKER OF MAHARASHTRA LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY
MLA (COLABA)



5

GLORIOUS
Years
FOR

COLABA,
**RAHUL
NARWEKAR**

Ready to
LEAD AGAIN!

Dear Residents of Colaba,

Warm greetings to each of you.

First and foremost, I want to express my heartfelt gratitude for your unwavering support over the past five years. Your trust and faith has empowered me to serve as your MLA, and with your blessings, I became the youngest Speaker of the Maharashtra Legislative Assembly and the second youngest in India. It is your belief in me that fuels my commitment to work tirelessly for the growth and progress of our beloved Colaba.

Together, we have achieved significant milestones, and I am proud to share some key accomplishments during my tenure, as well as our vision for the future towards a better community.

Achievements as Your MLA:

- **Reducing Leasehold to Freehold Premium:** Due to our efforts and zealous representation to the government, the premium for converting Collector Leasehold land to freehold was reduced from 25% to 10% for developer-led projects and from 25% to 5% for self-redevelopment by housing societies. Efforts are ongoing to secure further reductions.
- **Infrastructure and Safety:** Improved Colaba's infrastructure by concretizing roads, enhancing footpaths, and installing heritage lights, which helped restore the charm of our historic neighbourhood. CCTVs and streetlights have been installed across key areas like Churchgate, Cuffe Parade, and Colaba, with further installations planned for Chira Bazaar and Kalbadevi to ensure safety.
- **Parking Solutions:** Addressing Colaba's parking challenges, I developed 200 underground car parks under the Metro rail line in Cuffe Parade, easing congestion and improving convenience.
- **Water Supply:** To address water supply issues, I proposed five underground reservoirs at Arthur Bunder Road near Fariyas Hotel, Cuffe Parade, Nariman Point, Chira Bazaar and near Masjid Bundar ensuring a consistent and reliable water supply for all residents.
- **Green Spaces:** With the highest number of green spaces in Mumbai, we added three new parks: S.B. Somani Garden (the city's first pet park), Suraksha Garden near Macchimar Nagar, and Nehru Garden. I also led the renovation of S.K. Patil Garden and Walter D'Souza Garden, giving residents much-needed recreational areas.

- **Healthcare:** I was instrumental in setting up **Hindu Hriday Samrat Bala Saheb Thackeray Aapla Dawakhanas** (gully clinics) in Colaba's slum areas, bringing healthcare closer to those who need it the most. I also led the establishment of a new **Government Medical College at GT and Cama Hospital**, which will admit 100 MBBS students annually. We have introduced **Cathlabs at JJ Hospital**, as well as **MRI and CT scan machines at St. George and GT Hospitals**. Notably, we inaugurated a **new IVF (in vitro fertilisation) unit at Cama Hospital**, providing underprivileged families with the opportunity to realise their dreams of parenthood.
- **BPT Tenants' Issues:** Actively engaging with the central government to resolve the long-standing issues of BPT tenants, with a commitment to addressing these concerns within the next 6 months.
- **Community Empowerment:** Through various skilling and job fairs, we have empowered women and youth with training in high-demand fields such as digital marketing, nursing, and healthcare. Additionally, we distributed **sewing machines to women and ice boxes to fisher women**, thus enabling them to gain financial independence and foster entrepreneurship.
- **Sports and Recreation:** We believe in nurturing a culture of sportsmanship and physical wellness amongst the community. We organised numerous tournaments, including chess, volleyball, football, cricket, bodybuilding, and marathons. We created a world-class football turf in Colaba in collaboration with the **CSR arm of the World Cup Football in Qatar** and the **Oscar Foundation**, providing young athletes top-tier facilities to hone their skills.

Successful Implementation of Government Schemes:

- **Mukhyamantri Majhi Ladki Bahin Yojana:** Empowered girls and women through education and socio-economic support, transforming the lives of over 18,500 beneficiaries.
- **Hindu Hriday Samrat Balasaheb Thackeray Aapla Dawakhana:** Ensured access to affordable healthcare for the underprivileged.
- **Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (Ayushman Bharat):** Provided health insurance to vulnerable families, ensuring better healthcare access.
- **Widow Pension Scheme:** Supported widows with financial security and ensured they get respect and are able to live with dignity.
- **Senior Citizen Pension:** Provided financial support to elderly citizens to ensure their well-being.
- **Sanjay Gandhi Niradhar Yojna:** Offered financial assistance to destitute individuals, enabling them to live with dignity.

Achievements as Speaker of the Maharashtra Legislative Assembly:

- **Welfare for Senior Citizens:** I have consistently demanded additional allocation of funds by the state government for the welfare of senior citizens, ensuring that their needs and well-being are adequately addressed through policies and programs.
- **Late Shree Bala Saheb Thackeray's Legacy:** I had the honour of unveiling a beautiful **oil painting of Shri Bala Saheb Thackeray** in the Central Hall of Vidhan Bhawan, the first official tribute in the legislative building to commemorate his contribution to the state.
- **Conducted Assembly Sessions Efficiently:** During my tenure as Speaker, I achieved the **lowest number of disruptions** and minimal time wastage in assembly sessions, ensuring that crucial discussions proceeded smoothly. I also facilitated the **highest number of Calling Attention motions**, addressing a wide range of issues.
- **Maharashtra Rent Control Act Amendment:** I played a key role in amending the **Maharashtra Rent Control Act**, offering enhanced protection to tenants and ensuring their rights are preserved.
- **Advocacy for Police Personnel and BMC Workers:** I raised important issues regarding providing **ownership-based housing** for police personnel in Mumbai and sanitation workers of BMC (Class 4), advocating for their welfare and securing better living conditions.
- **Committee on Nirbhaya Bill:** I actively participated in the committee that proposed key changes to the **Nirbhaya Bill**, strengthening safety and security measures for women across the state.
- **Global Engagement and MoUs:** I signed multiple **MoUs with Russia, Japan, and Germany**, strengthening collaboration in areas such as start-ups, import substitution, public health, and parliamentary best practices.
- **Hosting the 84th All India Presiding Officers' Conference:** I successfully hosted the **84th All India Presiding Officers' Conference at Vidhan Bhawan in Mumbai**, attended by **Hon. Vice-President of India Shri Jagdeep Dhankhar, Hon. Lok Sabha Speaker Shri Om Birla**, and several other dignitaries, underscoring our commitment to fostering cooperation among lawmakers nationwide.
- **Centenary Year Celebrations of the Maharashtra Legislative Council:** In 2024, we had the privilege of hosting **Hon. President of India, Smt. Droupadi Murmu Ji**, who graced the **centenary year celebrations of the Maharashtra Legislative Council**, marking 100 years of legislative service to the state.

- **Special Status for Colaba:** I have advocated for Colaba to receive **special status as the State Capital Region**, given its significance as home to key institutions like the High Court, Mantralaya, Vidhan Bhawan, and City Civil Court. This status would bring additional funds to address Colaba's unique needs. Additionally, I have pushed for a special provision under the **Development Control and Promotion Regulations (DCPR) 2034** to ensure the viable development of old and dilapidated areas such as Colaba Market, Fort, Cuffe Parade, Chira Bazaar, Kalbadevi, and Masjid Bandar.
- **Digital Transformation of Legislative Records:** I spearheaded the **digitization of all records from 1935 to 2024**, ensuring public access and preserving Maharashtra's rich legislative history. This step has brought greater transparency and modernization to our legislative processes.

As we reflect on our progress, there is still much to achieve. Your trust and support have been vital, and I humbly seek your blessings to carry forward the unfulfilled dreams and ongoing work. Let's build a brighter, more prosperous Colaba together, where every resident thrives. Thank you for your support—I look forward to serving you and realizing our shared aspirations.

Warmest regards,



Adv. Rahul S. Narwekar

Speaker of Maharashtra Legislative Assembly | MLA, Colaba



Prominent Voices Praise Adv. Shri. Rahul S. Narwekar's leadership



SURESH PRABHU

Founding Chancellor of Rishihood University,
Guest Professor of London School of Economics and Political Science,
Former Union Minister with 10 Portfolios,
6 Times Member of Parliament

Date – 09th Oct 2024

Appreciation Letter

It has been my distinct pleasure to know and work alongside Rahul for over three decades. In that time, I have seen him grow into an outstanding leader who has proven to be an able public representative. As the MLA of Colaba and the Speaker of the Maharashtra Legislative Assembly, Rahul has consistently demonstrated his deep commitment to both his constituency and the state of Maharashtra.

What sets Rahul apart is not only his sharp legal acumen, honed over years of practice, but also his dynamic vision for progress and development. His leadership has brought about remarkable transformations in Colaba, such as the opening of a new government medical college and hospital in South Mumbai, which will significantly expand access to healthcare for thousands of residents. This achievement is a testament to his dedication to improving public welfare and providing essential services to his constituency.

Narwekar's representation of Maharashtra on various international platforms has made us all proud. His work as Speaker has been particularly commendable, effectively managing the affairs of the state legislature with great skill and integrity. I would urge the Colaba constituency to come forward to support Rahul and witness Colaba's progress reach new heights.

As India embarks on its journey to becoming an economic superpower, we need young, educated, and dynamic leaders like Rahul to guide us toward fulfilling the aspirations of our countrymen. I am confident that with his passion, dedication, and innovative approach, Rahul will continue to make a profound impact, not just in Maharashtra but across the nation.



Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Suresh Prabhu'.

Suresh Prabhu

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11th Oct 2024

I have known Adv Rahul Narvekar [MLC] for more than 15 years . I believe that he understands the divers needs of the South Mumbai area , which comprises residents ranging from the Co Op Hsg Societies of Cuffe Parade , Nariman & Churchgate , to the tenants of divers older buildings in the Colaba & Fort area and the large sprawling Slum colonies of Cuffe Parade / Machimar Nagar . Rahul has always shown an ability to balance the needs of the divers occupants of this area and his efforts has undoubtedly resulted in a substantial improvement in the quality of life for all the occupants of the area.

Rahul has sought to meet the needs of the occupants of the co op hsg societies / high rise buildings in the area , by (i) his success in securing a substantial reduction in the premium for conversion from leasehold to premium from the earlier 25% to 5%-10% (ii) the establishment of a pet friendly park near the World Trade Center, offering green space for pet owners.(iii) Removal of encroachments on Prakash Pethe Marg and upgradation of the pavement. (iv) the provision of classic/ Heritage street lamps at numerous locations, and (v) the provision and planting of 40,000 saplings at Miyawaki plantation in Colaba Woods.

At the same time , Rahul has also attended to and met the needs of the poorer / slum population of the area by (i) establishing and redeveloping the Suraksha Garden which gives the occupants of the slum in the vicinity a really good space to relax in , walk and exercise (ii) arranging for the MCGM to provide 34 families in Shanti Nagar with new accommodation/ flats and relocating 700 families to safer homes (iii) by organizing every year health camps for the poor and slum dwellers and (iv) by providing for the establishment of New gully clinics, a physiotherapy center, 500 additional hospital beds, and new medical equipment.

Rahul Narvekar is accessible , responsive and hardworking . As his record and achievements show , his re-election as the MLA of this area constituency would be greatly beneficial to all the people/ residents of the area.

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Dr. Cyres K. Mehta

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SURGICAL DIRECTOR & CHIEF

Dr. Cyres K. Mehta's

INTERNATIONAL
EYE CENTRE

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Testimonial for Rahul Narwekar from Dr. Cyres K Mehta:

As a longtime resident of Colaba, I have personally witnessed the incredible transformation our area has undergone under the able leadership of Rahul. From improved footpaths and better roads to enhanced street lighting and the overall development of Colaba, his efforts have truly made a significant impact on our daily lives. Rahul's commitment to progress is visible in every corner of our community.

What stands out most to me is the accessibility to medical care that he has prioritised. His tireless efforts have now culminated in the establishment of a new government medical college in South Mumbai, based at the prestigious Gokuldas Tejpal Hospital and Cama & Albless Hospital. This institution will not only cater to the healthcare needs of our community but will also create new opportunities for education and medical advancement. This achievement, after a decade of advocacy, reflects Rahul's determination to ensure that everyone, regardless of their background, has access to essential health services.

Additionally, the creation of open parks and the infrastructure development, such as the upcoming metro and the connector from Cuffe Parade to Nariman Point, are clear indicators of his forward-thinking vision for Colaba's future.

Under Rahul Narwekar's leadership, we have seen Colaba evolve into a more vibrant and accessible neighbourhood, and I am confident that with his continued guidance, we will only continue to grow and prosper.



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Making Headlines: Impact Across Colaba, Maharashtra, and Beyond

TIMES CITY

Narwekar orders ₹18 crore for equipment in JJ group hosps

Meets Minister, Dean To Discuss Poor State Of Govt-Run Hosps

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Mumbai: Assembly Speaker Rahul Narwekar on Wednesday met state medical education minister Hasan Mushrif and senior officials of the department, including Dr Pallavi Saple, the dean of the JJ Group of Hospitals, over the poor state of affairs in the state-run hospitals in the city.

Narwekar had earlier summoned Mushrif for Wednesday's meeting. He directed that Rs 18 crore be transferred to the JJ Hospital to purchase MRI and CT scan machines at St George's and GT Hospital. Narwekar said that officials told him that the two catheterization laboratories or Cath Labs at JJ Hospital were not fully functional since many months. Even the MRI and CT scan machines were not working at the GT Hospital, he said.

Narwekar is an MLA from Colaba, and St George's and



Cath Labs at JJ Hospital are not fully functional since many months

GT Hospitals, which are part of the JJ group and run by the state's medical education department, fall in his constituency. "I have directed to transfer the funds directly to the JJ Hospital since there were delays in buying the equipment like the MRI and CT scan machines through the Haffkine Bio Pharmaceutical Corporation. I have directed that they must procure the machines within six weeks at the

hospital level and submit me a report," Narwekar said.

St George's and GT Hospitals are part of the JJ Group of Hospitals run by the state's medical education department. Narwekar also directed to start the Cath Labs at JJ within a month. "I have also directed the work on the mortuary at St George's and GT Hospitals must be completed immediately which has been pending for several years,"

Narwekar said. The Speaker on Wednesday also visited the Bombay Hospital to check on the treatment of indigent patients. "I have directed the charity commissioner to submit a report to me in 48 hours on the treatment of indigent patients, at all charitable hospitals in Mumbai. Most of the charitable hospitals are not even giving treatment as per the quota. It is hard to believe that there aren't that many poor patients in the city. I have sought a report and will give directions to the charity commissioner based on the report," Narwekar said.

After his surprise visit, Narwekar had called Dr Saple and told her about the lack of doctors in the paediatric department and other issues related to the hospital, including poor upkeep. The Speaker had on October 18 visited the St George's Hospital, and after his surprise visit he pulled up officials for the poor condition of the hospital.

THE FREE PRESS JOURNAL

Ensure strict cow slaughter ban: Narvekar

FPJ NEWS SERVICE/ MUMBAI

Speaker of Maharashtra Legislative Assembly Advocate Rahul Narvekar has directed police officials to engage strict measures to ensure implementation of the cow slaughter ban.

On the backdrop of recent incidents where illegal animal traffickers beat up Gau Rakshaks, Narvekar called a meeting of members of Gau-raksha Samiti with the Additional Director General of Police (Law and Order) at the Vidhan Bhavan on Monday.

Strict measures should be followed to implement the ban, flying squads should be formed to stop the illegal trafficking of animals across borders, complaints related to threats to Gau Rakshaks should be immediately investigated and cases should be filed, Narvekar directed the police officials.



Hindustan Times

FIRST VOICE. LAST WORD

Connector: SoBo residents demand another bridge to ease traffic

Other than the new sea-link, residents have suggested that MMRDA adds an additional bridge which will commence from Nariman Point to World Trade Road, also called Sadhu Vaswani Road



Mumbai In addition to the Mumbai Metropolitan Region Development Authority's (MMRDA) plan to construct a double-arm sea-link to connect Nariman Point with Colaba and Cuffe Parade, residents have suggested another bridge to further ease traffic congestion.

Rahul Narwekar, the speaker of Maharashtra legislative assembly and the sitting MLA from Colaba, chaired a meeting with MMRDA commissioner SVR Srinivas, former local corporator Harshita Narwekar and Colaba and Cuffe Parade residents' groups to take a decision on the best available options to reduce traffic.

THE TIMES OF INDIA

Narwekar: Extend rent Act to 4K bldgs on port trust land to prevent eviction

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Mumbai: Maharashtra legislative assembly speaker Rahul Narwekar on Tuesday asked chief minister Eknath Shinde and deputy chief minister Devendra Fadnavis to issue an ordinance amending the Maharashtra Rent Control Act to include residential and commercial tenants of 4,000 buildings on Mumbai Port Authority (MPA) land. MPA was formerly known as Mumbai Port Trust (MbPT).

Narwekar met MPA chairman Rajeev Jalota recently and gave directions to the body to not issue any eviction notice or take coercive action

against tenants living in buildings on MPA land between Colaba and Wadala. Maharashtra Rent Control Act stipulates that rent can be increased by 4% every year but since it does not cover MPA tenants, at the moment, the body has hiked its rents and schedule of rates based on its 2015 amended Policy Guidelines on Land Management by Major Ports (PGLM).

Narwekar said he would soon visit New Delhi and take up the issue with the Union shipping ministry and Prime Minister Narendra Modi. The tenants have asked for renewal of lease for 30 years, regularisation of breach and subletting. "It is necessary to

amend Section 3 of Maharashtra Rent Control Act, 1999, and an ordinance should be issued immediately. I have made this request to CM Eknath Shinde and DCM Fadnavis. Thousands of families and commercial establishments don't get any protection that BMC and Mhada tenants get. The ordinance must be issued immediately so that residents can get relief," he said.

Political observers said providing protection from eviction and hike in rents was an important issue in South Mumbai, especially ahead of the Lok Sabha polls. They said Narwekar, an MLA from Colaba, is a key contender for the seat from BJP and taking up

this issue would help him reach out to residents across Colaba, Mazgaon and Sewri.

"Maharashtra Rent Control Act, 1999, covers matters relating to rent, landlords and tenants. Under this Act, rights of both landlords and tenants have been secured. MbPT has a huge chunk of land in Mumbai on which many buildings have been built and thousands of families have been living in them for years. There is ambiguity as to whether or how provisions of Maharashtra Rent Control Act, 1999, apply to residential and commercial establishments on MPA lands. So, if there is an ordinance, MbPT tenants will get protection too," an official said.

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City gets new govt medical college



Gokuldas Tejpal Hospital in south Mumbai. PIC/SAYYED SAMEER ABEDI

Fifty students to be admitted in first academic session, intake to double next year

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THE city will have one more government-run medical college from this academic session (2024-25). It will be run at the Gokuldas Tejpal (G T) Hospital / Cama & Albless Hospital premises in south Mumbai. To begin with, 50 students will be admitted this year. The intake will double from the next session.

The announcement was made by Medical Education Minister Hasan Mushrif, on Thursday. Assembly Speaker Rahul Narvekar, who had been pursuing the issue with the government for a long

time, said that the college was approved in 2012 by the state government. The National Medical Commission granted its permission recently after the state fulfilled all conditions for running a medical college.

Narvekar's office said the medical college will benefit the people in south Mumbai, a part of which (Colaba) is represent-

ed by the Speaker. "Narvekar has followed the matter for over 10 years. He held meetings in his office time and again to get the proposal ahead," said a statement.

The medical college will have G T Hospital / Cama & Albless Hospital attached to it for academic purposes. So far, these hospitals have been part of Grant Medical College and Sir JJ Group of Hospitals. South Mumbai also has the state-run St George's Hospital. Other than the state government hospitals, the city's major patient load is handled by the civic-run hospitals and medical colleges.

'The National Medical Commission granted its permission recently after the state fulfilled all conditions for running a medical college'

The statement



Leading with Vision: Achievements as Speaker of the Maharashtra Legislative Assembly



New Government Medical College in South Mumbai:
Launched at GT and Cama Hospitals.

First Batch of 100 MBBS Students:
Begins this year,
doubling intake next year.

10-Year Effort Realized:
Approved after a decade of
persistent advocacy.

Boosting Medical Education:
Enhances healthcare
access and education.

Suggested a key new road link between Nariman Point and Colaba/ Cuffe Parade to help reduce traffic and make daily travel easier in South Mumbai.



Unveiled a beautiful oil painting of Late Shri Bala Saheb Thackeray Ji at the Central Hall of Vidhan Bhawan, paying tribute to his legacy.



Constructed New Transit Camp, enhancing housing infrastructure.



Spearheaded digitization of legislative history, enhancing transparency and accessibility.





Organized '84th All India Presiding Officers' Conference reaffirming commitment to nationwide cooperation among lawmakers.

Stopped the construction of vertical parking in front of Mumbadevi Temple to ensure people can access and see the temple without any obstruction.



Strengthened the Sister-State partnership between Maharashtra and Baden-Württemberg, Germany.



Signed an MoU with Russia to enhance ties in start-ups, import substitution, and public health.



Extensive discussions regarding the common interest in Parliamentary Procedures of the Japanese

Engaged with Japanese, Swiss, and German officials to discuss parliamentary procedures and cooperation.



Led delegations to the UK and Japan to explore advancements in solid waste management and legislative practices.



Unveiled the statue of Sahitya Ratna Annabhau Sathe in Moscow, promoting cultural ties.



Strengthened global ties by collaborating with the U.S. Consulate General, Fostering international relations.



Step towards strengthening the cultural and economic ties between Maharashtra and Sharjah.



Fulfilling the long-standing housing demand of Abhudaynagar's residents, ensuring dignity and stability.

Addressed redevelopment challenges near naval or defence authorities, prioritizing safety and security.

Directed resolution of MHADA-related issues in B-Ward, including redevelopment projects and transit camp allocations.

Enhanced facilities at local railway stations, improving commuter experiences.

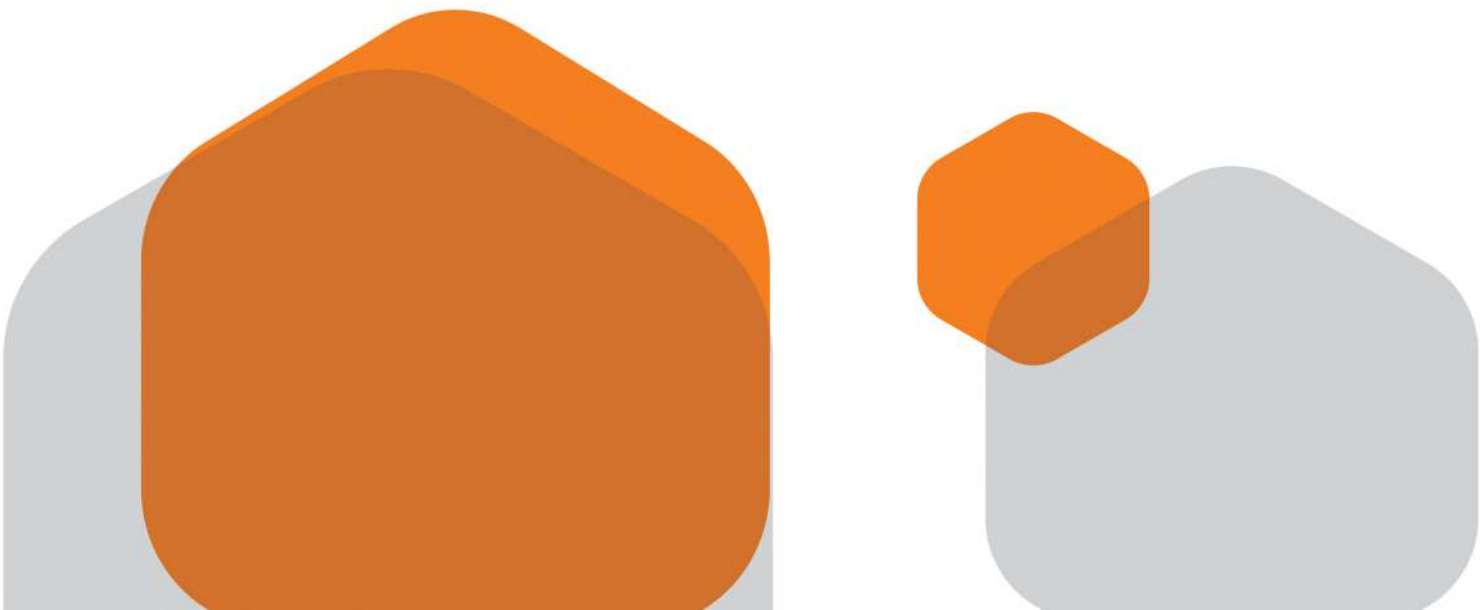
Championed the rights of Pugree tenants, ensuring timely government submissions in the Supreme Court.

Advocated for loan waiver scheme for fishermen, considering natural disasters and debt burdens.

Recommended relaxation of Maharashtra Marine Fishing Regulation Act, 1981, for small fishermen facing family problems.

Supported local fishermen and cooperative organizations in seeking "fishermen port" status for Jamshethji port in Colaba.

Identified 100 government-owned properties for strategic development and disposal.



Colaba's Green Transformation Cultivating Spaces, Enriching Lives

Gardens: Transforming Colaba into Green Spaces

| S. B. Somani Garden

Featuring South Mumbai's first dedicated pet park, this tranquil oasis provides a safe and enjoyable area for pet owners and their furry friends.



Suraksha Garden

Reclaimed after 23 years, this vibrant green space offers a beautiful and safe environment for community activities.



Nehru Garden

Handed over from PWD to MCGM, now a well-designed green space for leisure and gatherings.



DSK Garden

Developed for senior citizens with a reading centre, yoga zone, exercise area, and walking track, promoting a healthy lifestyle.



Colaba Woods

Revamped with better lighting, landscaping, and a study center, the space now invites outdoor activities and learning. Harshita's Miyawaki garden technique enhances biodiversity, creating a vibrant community hub.



1st Pasta Lane Garden

Designed for specially-abled citizens, ensuring accessibility and a welcoming environment.



Cooperage Garden

Enhanced lighting and landscaping have transformed it into a beautiful, inviting space for community interactions.



S. K. Patil Garden

Taking note of its dire condition, we completely revamped S.K. Patil Garden, transforming it into a serene space for residents to relax and unwind.



Walter 'D' Souza Garden, Metro Cinema

Under my leadership, I fully renovated Walter D'Souza Garden, making it senior citizen-friendly and a peaceful spot for study and leisure.



Shivshastri Fishermen Nagar Part No. 5 Protection Wall

Enhancing safety along Captain Prakash Pethe Marg, Colaba, with the construction of a protective wall to shield residents from sea water.



Colaba Wall Art Initiative

Beautifying the neighbourhood's walls with vibrant artwork, transforming everyday spaces into public art galleries.



Colaba's Milestone: Pioneering Underground Metro Parking in Mumbai



Colaba sets a new standard with Mumbai's first underground metro rail parking, a game-changer in reducing congestion and optimizing urban space. A bold step towards smarter, more efficient city living.

Heritage Lighting

Heritage Lighting Installed:
Enhancements at World Trade Centre,
Badhwar Park, Regal Cinema Junction,
Valentine Terrace Road, Dhobi Talao,
G.D. Somani Road, Sadhu TL Vaswani
Road, Madame Cama Road,
Churchgate Station Junction, Metro
Cinema Barrack Lane, and Marine Drive,
enhancing both beauty and safety.



illuminating Colaba Brighter Streets, Enhanced Security

CCTV

We've installed advanced CCTV systems across Colaba, enhancing security and ensuring a safer community. Your safety is our top priority, with vigilant surveillance protecting you around the clock.



Improved Street Lighting

We've achieved a major milestone by doubling street lighting in Colaba, dramatically improving safety and security. This enhancement has made our streets more inviting and secure, boosting community confidence.

Pavement Lighting

Illuminating walkways to reduce accidents and promote pedestrian use.



Garden Lighting

Upgraded lighting in our gardens for an enhanced visitor experience.



LED Lights Installation

42 new LED lights across Colaba provide brighter, energy-efficient lighting for streets and public spaces.

Together We Fought: Colaba's Compassionate COVID Response

Combating COVID-19, safeguarding our community.



SANITIZATION

Sanitized buildings, promoting a clean environment.



ESSENTIAL SUPPLIES

Distributed food, homoeopathic pills, and sanitization machines to support residents.



MEDICAL RESOURCES

Facilitated access to hospital beds and oxygen concentrators for those in need.



VACCINATION DRIVES

Organised drives administering around 74,000 free vaccines, significantly boosting community health and safety.

Community Welfare Initiatives

Healthcare Improvements

Our healthcare initiatives are built on the belief that every citizen deserves access to quality medical care, regardless of their background or financial situation. We are proud to share some of the ways we are working to make this vision a reality.



Gully Clinics launched for underserved areas.



Physiotherapy Centre established.



New Govt. Medical College at GT & Cama Hospitals.



₹ 18 crores worth of new medical equipment.



₹ 2 crore allocated to JJ Hospital for transplant units.



New IVF unit at Cama Hospital, enabling parenthood for underprivileged families.



Dialysis services started at 4 major hospitals.



Advanced Cathlab machinery at JJ Hospital.



First aid centre for ICU casualty departments.



Regular health camps for preventive care.



Upgraded facilities & new healthcare initiatives.



Free ambulance services for underprivileged residents.

Empowering Colaba with Reliable Water Supply

Revolutionising water supply infrastructure to enable a future of unprecedented access, prosperity, and health for generations to come.

Upgraded water supply infrastructure for equitable access.

Replaced ageing water lines, reducing leaks and waste.

Extended water connections to over 5,000 households.

Upgraded Colaba-Wadala water supply:

- Replaced 100 HP motors with 150 HP motors.
- Increased pipelines from 12 to 18

Proposed 5 underground reservoirs at Arthur Bunder Road near Fariyas Hotel, Cuffe Parade, Nariman Point, Chira Bazaar and near Masjid Bundar, ensuring reliable water supply.

Sanitation Initiatives

Transforming urban sanitation through innovative solutions and community-driven initiatives.



OPTIMA CLEANING

Introduction of Optima Steam Cleaning Machines for touchless, high-pressure, and water-efficient cleaning.



GARBAGE GURU

Hydraulic Underground Garbage Disposal system for efficient waste management.



TOILET EXPANSION

35+ public toilets opened for improved hygiene and accessibility.



BEACH REVIVAL

Multiple beach cleanups conducted for a cleaner coast.

Empowerment and Upliftment

Skilling and Empowering Women and Youth

Unlocking the potential of women and youth, fostering inclusive growth, and nurturing a brighter future for all.



Skilling for Success by establishing centers offering courses in digital marketing, geriatric care, and nursing assistance, empowering participants with in-demand skills. Additionally, organized job fairs have provided immediate employment opportunities.

Transcending Barriers by facilitating initiatives such as the first Transgender Photographer Distribution, promoting diversity and inclusion across various sectors.

Supporting Livelihoods and Entrepreneurship by distributing sewing machines to women and donating ice boxes to fish sellers, easing daily burdens and boosting business operations.

Advancing Wellness through mental health support, self-defense workshops for students and women, and promoting holistic well-being.

Empowering Change by connecting with influential women, including members from the FICCI FLO Bengaluru chapter, to inspire participation in public service and politics.

Fostering Creativity and Knowledge by organizing dance workshops for underprivileged kids and distributing books to underserved communities, enhancing literacy and artistic confidence.

Sports and Recreation

Nurturing a culture of sportsmanship and wellness, empowering communities to thrive through physical activity and play.



Organised chess, volleyball, carrom, football, cricket, bodybuilding, Dahi Handi tournaments, and marathon events.

Created a world-class football turf in the backyard with the CSR arm of World Cup Football, Qatar, and Oscar Foundation, benefiting students and kids in the community.



A Greener Future

Colaba's Pioneering Green Spaces Initiative

Greening our future, sustainably



Miyawaki plantation: 40,000 saplings in Colaba Woods.



MoU with Notre Dame University to tackle climate challenges & protect our coastal city.

Community Engagement

Building connections, enriching communities.



Hosted vibrant events like Soundrise, Rhythm By the Bay, Wagathon, Christmas Celebrations, and more.

Fostered pet-friendly initiatives, promoting inclusivity and joy.



Facilitated regular town hall meetings (Janta Darbar) for open communication.

Engaged with residents, merchants, and businessmen through regular meetings.



Road, Traffic and Pedestrian

Building a stronger foundation, connecting our community.



Concretized roads and ensured regular repair and maintenance for improved traffic flow and safety.

Addressed traffic concerns in key areas in Navi Vaadi Chira Bazaar, Marine Lines, Churchgate Station, Pasta Lane, Minoo Desai Road, Lohar Chawl, Regal Cinema, and Kala Godha.

Implemented resident-requested parking solutions, allowing parking outside buildings, enhancing convenience and community satisfaction.

Developed new pedestrian pathways and committed to ongoing maintenance, prioritising walkability and accessibility.

Relocated taxi stands in compliance with BMC rules, supporting taxi drivers' livelihoods and easing congestion.

Successful Implementation of Government Schemes

| Empowering our community, delivering social impact.

MUKHYAMANTRI MAJHI LADKI BAHIN YOJANA

Empowering girls and women through education and socio-economic support, transforming the lives of over 18,500 beneficiaries.

HINDU HRIDAY SAMRAT BALASAHEB THACKERAY AAPLA DAWAKHANA

Ensuring access to affordable healthcare for the underprivileged.

PRADHAN MANTRI JAN AROGYA YOJANA

Implementing Ayushman Bharat, providing health insurance to vulnerable families.

WIDOW PENSION

Supporting widows with financial security and dignity.

SENIOR CITIZEN PENSION

Providing financial support to elderly citizens.

SANJAY GANDHI NIRAADHAR YOJNA

Supporting destitute individuals with financial assistance.



Housing

| Providing roots, strengthening foundations.

Shanti Nagar, Colaba

34 families granted flats on PAP ownership basis in Malad, Kandivali, and Borivali.

Worli

Delivered long overdue owned houses to Shramik Ekta Federation.

Mahalaxmi

Provided temporary shelters to 105 BMC workers.

BMC Coordination

Facilitated housing for 700 families, relocating them from streets to safe homes.

Redevelopment of Dilapidated Buildings

Upgraded and restored crumbling structures, ensuring safer living conditions.

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*I am deeply honoured to represent
Colaba and the state of Maharashtra as your Speaker in
the Maharashtra Legislative Assembly.
Your trust and support have given me this privilege,
and I pledge to serve you with Integrity and Dedication.*

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