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Interim Review - DELHI DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

RESERVOR MPD-2021

Sub: Master Plan for Delhi 2021 - Suggestions in Open House Meet, East District.

Sir,

I hereby submit the following suggestions for Review of MPD 2021, for the consideration by the expert committee:

I am a resident of Mandawali Fazalpur for the past 4 dacades. This is a regularised colony since long and provisional certificat has been issued in 2008. Though unauthorised construction is banned since 2007, rampant illegal constructions are being carried out with the collusion of Corrupt MCD Staff and Delhi Police. If their demands are not fulfiled demolition is certain. Otherwise, every illegal act is legal. With this corruption a poor man cannot adhere to structural safety of the building due to scarcity of resource. A seperate corruption free Authority must be constituted to verify construction related complaints and take suitable action.

What is næded is structural safety of the buildings in unauthorised colonies. No column or beam is provided in multistoried buildings. When the hard earned money is snatched away by socalled Law enforcing people where from a poor house owner bring enough steel, cement and other building materials. So, he is compelled to make unsafe buildings only whether he survive or perish in it. Will the evils in the Society mend their ways?

No building plan can be sanctioned in unauthorised colonies unless people jointly engage in redevelopment. In small plots only structural safety can be maintained and this will save life and property. MCD also admitted that Building Bye-laws cannot be enforced in unauthorised colonies and small plots.

There are encroachments in public land. Service gali closed and constructed house in the gali itself. No action is taken on the complaints given to Urban Development Dept. and STF headed by SDM, Asstt. Commissioner MCD and ACP Delhi Police, inspite of repeated assurance. Before fixing the boundaries it is necessary to vacate the encroachments in public land.

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Regularisation process is being delayed on unnecessary contraversies and this undoubtedly gives the boost to increasing corruption by all the concerned authorities. Except disputed colonies, all others must be regularised immediately.

National Disaster Management Authority is already functioning. They mainly do the Management after Disaster. Who is there to prevent a Disaster especially man made disaster like unsafe construction. Even after issuing demilition orders by Courts, MCD don't demolish unsafe constructions in collusion with the offenders. MCD can't even keep the city clean and with ghost employees they are continuously looting public money. The building department is most corrupt and do nothing without money.

so MCD and Delhi Police should not be allowed to harass and extort money from people living in unauthorised colonies. Rather, emphasis and encouragement must be given to construct structurally safe houses.

Vertical growth is the only solution to meet increasing residential requirements as urged by ex-Urban Dev. Minister Shri Jaipal Reddy and the present Minister Shri Kamal Nath. If permitted in unauthorised colonies, many people will go high-rise on weak foundation. This should not be allowed unless certified by structural engineer/competent authority. Otherwise Lalita Park like tragedy will be repeated every where.

Another menace is of Construction Debris thrown around in the City and others property. No space is provided locally by MCD for its disposal. Last year about Rs.3.00 crores were allocated for removal of debris to the recycling plat. God knows where from they removed debris and how the public money was utilized. When I asked them to remove the public waste/malwa from my plot they refused.

In DDA Flats greedly residents encroached Go wt. Land and made unsafe constructions threatening the life and property of other residents. MCD is in collusion with such people and using influence in Court proceedings also. Unless a powerful authority is constituted for direct action, no relief can be possible except prolonging the matter till disaster strike.

In some DDA and other colonies also Parks are encroached and buildings constructed or misusing it. When information is

is sought DDA refuse it and compel to appeal before CIC. After denotification and handing over, it should be the responsibility of the MCD to evict the encroachers and restore the Parks in its original shape. If they are honest they must carry out periodic verification as per map supplied by DDA instead of supporting the mafias against whom individuals cannot fight.

While reviewing the Master Plan 2021 for Delhi, consumable items like water, electricity and air quality must also be considered for healthy living. All are aware of fast running electricity meters and bearing it, compensating DISCOM losses by way of theft also. Now DJB installed super fast running meters of L & T make and common man is compelled to pay more than four times for the same quantity of water he is using now also. What was wrong with the old meter? Nothing, but certain cunning actions by DJB are compelling people to suffer including supply of sewer mix water for drinking.

Finally, I appreciate Mon'ble Chief Minister's announcement to supply LPG to Kerosene users but, hazardous Yamuna pollution will neutralize its benifits. While vehicle pollution is increasing, Factory and Dairy pollution is also permitted in residential colonies. Even after High Court and Supreme Court orders and allotment of Industrial Plots and Dairies, people are not shifting from colonies. If the Master Plan remain in papers, what is the use of it?

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

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