



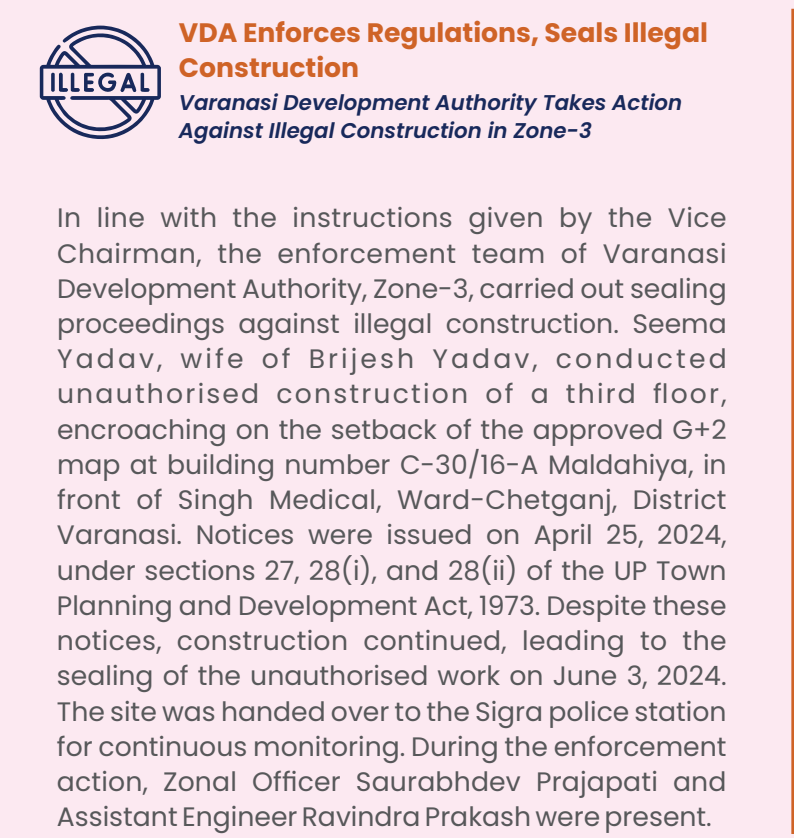
VARANASI DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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VDA Vice Chairman Inspects Construction in Ward Sikraul Inspection & Directive Issued for Compliance

On May 30, 2024, Shri Pulkit Garg, Vice Chairman of the Varanasi Development Authority, conducted an on-site inspection in Ward Sikraul. The inspection focused on Smt. Malti Devi's property, wife of Mr Rajkumar Singh, at Plot No. 5, Mouza Paharpur, Vindhyavasini Nagar. The property was found to have commercial construction encroaching on the setback area, contrary to the approved single residential area map. The Vice Chairman ordered the cessation of this construction and directed that a commercial map be approved to ensure compliance.



VDA Enforces Regulations, Seals Illegal Construction Varanasi Development Authority Takes Action Against Illegal Construction in Zone-3

In line with the instructions given by the Vice Chairman, the enforcement team of Varanasi Development Authority, Zone-3, carried out sealing proceedings against illegal construction. Seema Yadav, wife of Brijesh Yadav, conducted unauthorised construction of a third floor, encroaching on the setback of the approved G+2 map at building number C-30/16-A Maldahiya, in front of Singh Medical, Ward-Chetganj, District Varanasi. Notices were issued on April 25, 2024, under sections 27, 28(i), and 28(ii) of the UP Town Planning and Development Act, 1973. Despite these notices, construction continued, leading to the sealing of the unauthorised work on June 3, 2024. The site was handed over to the Sigra police station for continuous monitoring. During the enforcement action, Zonal Officer Saurabhdev Prajapati and Assistant Engineer Ravindra Prakash were present.



VDA Achieves Swift Approval for Group Housing Project Group Housing of Flats Approved by Varanasi Development Authority in Just 98 Hours

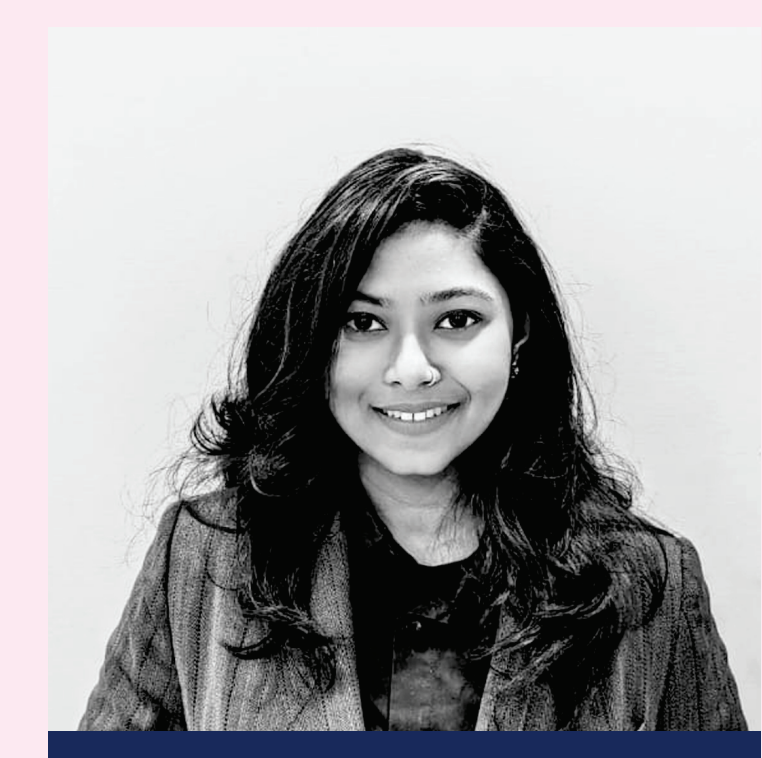
Following the direction of Shri Pulkit Garg, Vice Chairman of the Varanasi Development Authority, a group housing project was approved in 98 hours. On May 2, 2024, VDA approved the construction of 392 flats, each 45 meters high, on a 12,129 square meter plot in revenue village Dandupur. This swift action will generate approximately 4.84 crores in revenue for the Authority, marking a significant achievement in urban development.



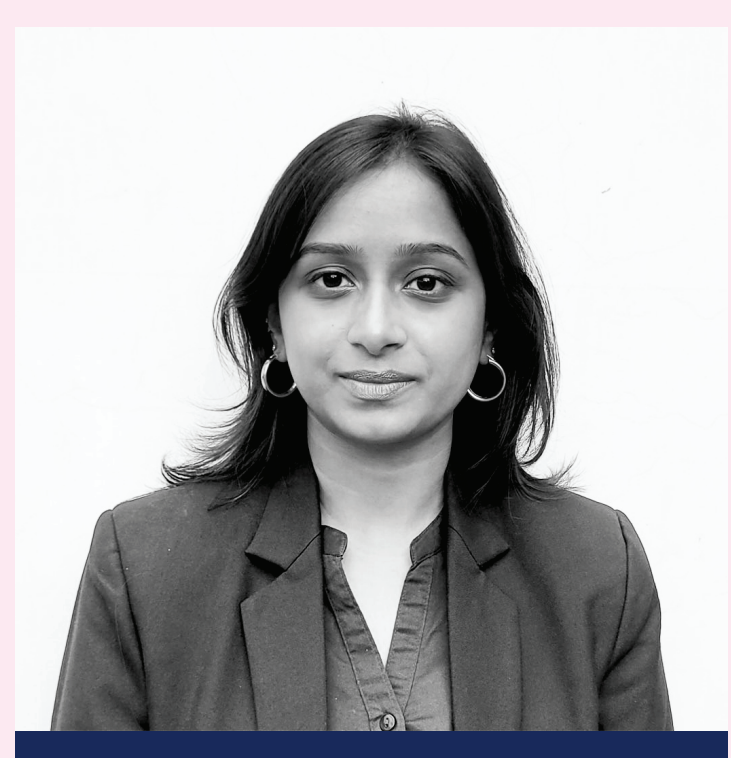
Varanasi Development Authority Welcomes Urban Planning Interns Internship Opportunities Provided to Ms. Pramita Basu and Ms. Kunjal Gaur

The Varanasi Development Authority has extended internship opportunities to Ms. Pramita Basu and Ms. Kunjal Gaur, postgraduate students specialising in Urban Planning at the School of Planning and Architecture, New Delhi. Both interns come with notable experience from prestigious urban planning organisations.

As Urban Planning Interns, Ms. Basu and Ms. Gaur will contribute to various upcoming and ongoing projects within the VDA. This internship will provide them with valuable practical experience and insights into the planning and construction activities of the Authority, enriching their academic and professional journeys.



PRAMITA BASU
School of Planning and Architecture, New Delhi
Specialization:
Urban Planning "Joining the Varanasi Development Authority as an Urban Planning Intern is exciting! I'm drawn to Varanasi's cultural richness and want to develop solutions for its urban challenges. As a fast learner, I'll actively seek guidance and contribute meaningfully. This internship is my launchpad, and I'm energized to learn and make a difference!"



KUNJAL GAUR
School of Planning and Architecture, New Delhi
Specialization:
Urban Planning "During my internship at the Varanasi Development Authority, I aim to deepen my understanding of sustainable transportation systems, urban design, and inclusive spaces. I seek hands-on experience in creating inclusive mobility solutions, contributing to urban planning projects, and enhancing the livability and accessibility of Varanasi for all residents."



VDA Celebrates World Environment Day with Tree Plantation Tree Plantation Drive Marks World Environment Day at VDA

On World Environment Day 2024, the Varanasi Development Authority celebrated by organising a tree plantation drive under the chairmanship of the Joint Secretary, following the instructions of Vice Chairman Shri Pulkit Garg. This year's theme, "Restoration, Desertification, and Drought Tolerance," underscores VDA's commitment to environmental sustainability.

All officers of the Authority participated in the tree planting event, reflecting VDA's continuous efforts to promote environmental friendliness and contribute to a cleaner, greener Varanasi.



VDA Enforces Regulations in Zone-4, Seals Illegal Construction Varanasi Development Authority Takes Action Against Illegal Construction in Zone-4

Following the instructions of the Vice Chairman, the enforcement team of Varanasi Development Authority, Zone-4, carried out sealing proceedings against illegal construction by Ajay Kumar Bajpai in Ward-Bhelupur. Bajpai had done shuttering work for a basement in an area of approximately 50' x 80', adjacent to building no. B-32/23-A in Saket Nagar.

Action was initially taken on December 19, 2023, under sections 27, 28(i), and 28(ii) of the UP Town Planning and Development Act, 1973, and the site was sealed. However, after the builder broke the seal and resumed construction, the seal was reinforced on January 24, 2024. Despite this, Bajpai violated sections 14 and 15 of the Act by breaking the seal again, leading to the filing of FIR No. 0202 on May 28, 2024, at Lanka Police Station.

When the builder continued construction, completing B+G+3 floors and starting on the fourth floor, the unauthorised construction was sealed again on June 5, 2024, and handed over to Police Station Lanka for continuous monitoring. Zonal Officer Pramod Tiwari and Assistant Engineer Ajay Kumar Jain supervised sealing.

IMPORTANT ADVISORY: Varanasi Development Authority VDA urges all the citizens of Varanasi to refrain from buying or selling properties with illegal constructions or plotting. All citizens are also advised to secure mandatory map approvals before any construction activity to avoid engaging in illegal construction practices.

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