



VARANASI DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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Sealing Action: Crackdown on Illegal Construction in Varanasi

The enforcement team of Varanasi Development Authority, Zone-1, executed sealing proceedings against illegal construction as per the Vice Chairperson's directives. On May 3rd, 2024, notices were issued under sections 27, 28 (i), and 28 (ii) of the UP Town Planning and Development Act, 1973, against unauthorized construction by Vishnu Priya at building S.18/33 Mint House Nadesar Ward-Sikroul, Varanasi. The building was sealed on the same day and handed over to Cantt Police Station for monitoring.

The operation was overseen by Zonal Officer Singh Gaurav Jai Prakash and Assistant Engineer Devesh Ram Gupta, reinforcing the VDA's commitment to lawful urban development.



Timely Approval: VDA Achieves Swift Approval for Group Housing Project

In a remarkable achievement, the Varanasi Development Authority, led by Vice Chairman Pulkit Garg, approved a group housing project of 392 flats within 98 hours. The project, situated on a 12,129 square meter plot in revenue village Dandupur, features a 45-meter-high building. This swift approval is set to generate approximately Rs 4.84 crores in revenue for the authority.

This accomplishment highlights VDA's efficiency and commitment to promoting urban development in the region.



Enforcement Action: By VDA in Ramnagar against Illegal Construction

Following the Vice Chairman's instructions, the Varanasi Development Authority's enforcement team in Zone-5 took action against illegal construction in Ward-Ramnagar. Notices were issued on August 10, 2023, under sections 27, 28 (i), and 28 (ii) of the Uttar Pradesh Town Planning and Development Act, 1973. The unauthorized construction, carried out by Dream Solution Furniture House Private Limited, was sealed on May 2, 2024, and handed over to the custody of Ramnagar police station.

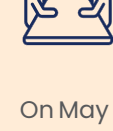
The operation was overseen by Zonal Officer Mr. Prakash and Junior Engineer P.N. Dubey, demonstrating the VDA's commitment to maintaining lawful urban development.



Employee Welfare: VDA's Unique Health Initiative

Under the guidance of Vice Chairperson Pulkit Garg, the Varanasi Development Authority organized a medical camp on May 6, 2024, for its employees' health and welfare. The camp offered free medical tests such as blood tests, blood pressure checks, and ECGs. A total of 118 employees registered for the camp, with blood samples taken from 102 employees and ECG tests conducted for 30 employees.

This initiative underscores VDA's commitment to the well-being of its workforce, providing crucial health services to ensure a healthy and productive team.



High-Rise: VDA Promotes High-Rise Construction with FAR Purchase Meeting

On May 7, 2024, Vice Chairperson Pulkit Garg organized a meeting at the Varanasi Development Authority's auditorium to discuss purchasing FAR for constructing high-rise buildings in Varanasi. This initiative aims to enhance the city's skyline and promote urban development.

Key attendees included the Additional City Magistrate, Joint Planner, Town Planner, Fire Station Officer, and a Junior Engineer from the Water Resources Department, all contributing to the discussion on giving Varanasi a fresh, modern look.



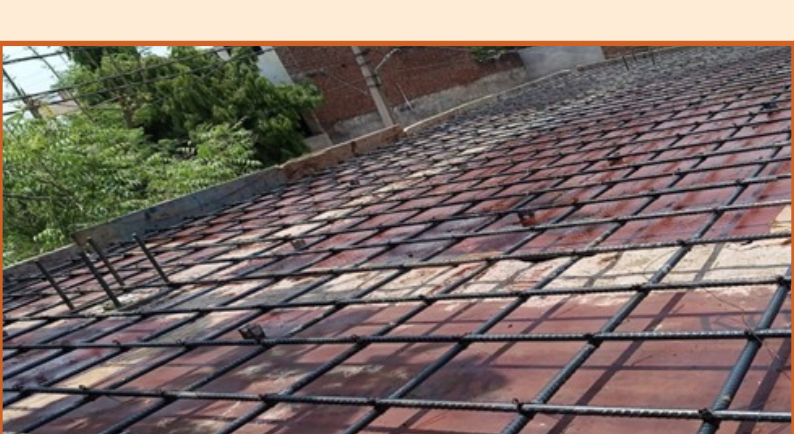
Progress Update: Road Construction in Ramnagar Industrial Area

The Varanasi Development Authority is making significant strides in constructing a 325-meter-long CC road in the Ramnagar Industrial Area, funded by its infrastructure fund. The GSB work has been completed, and the DLC work is underway. The progress was recently inspected on-site by Executive Engineer Arvind Sharma and Junior Associate Engineer Rohit Jaiswal, showcasing the Authority's commitment to infrastructure development.



Progress Update: Ramnagar Residential Scheme

The Varanasi Development Authority is advancing work on the pump house and boring in the Ramnagar Industrial Area as part of the Ramnagar Residential Scheme. The boring work has been completed, while the pump house is approximately 60% finished, with slab casting currently underway. The ongoing work has been inspected by Junior Associate Engineer Rohit Jaiswal, ensuring the project's steady progress.



Terms of Land Conditions for Building Construction in Varanasi

To obtain permission for building construction in Varanasi under the proposed master plan, the following conditions must be met:

Land Use Compliance: The land should align with the land use conditions in the master plan.

Land Use Type: The land should not be designated for agriculture, reservoirs, ponds, rivers, drains, canals, cemeteries, or cremation grounds.

Road Impact: The land should not be affected by a proposed road marked in the master plan.

Road Width: The road width should be at least 9 meters for residential and 12 meters for commercial areas.

Proximity to Monuments: The land should not be within the prohibited area (100 meters from the boundary) of Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) or state-protected monuments.

Compliance with By-laws: The land should comply with VDA Building Construction and Development By-laws 2008 (as amended in 2011, 2016, 2018, and 2023).

These conditions ensure that building constructions align with Varanasi's urban planning and conservation objectives.

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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