



The Advanced Locality Management Concept.

Partnership With The BMC

The ALM concept evolved from the interactions and discussions of a group of concerned residents from Ghatkopar. According to the Advanced Locality Management (ALM) concept, the BMC appoints a single Nodal Officer for each area, who will attend to citizens' complaints on different aspects such as water supply, garbage clearance, roads, encroachments, etc. The nodal officer will provide for a single window clearance for the various issues in area management. This plan has been endorsed by the Additional Municipal Commissioner Mr. Ratnakar Gaikwad.

For a locality to initiate ALM, the formation of 'Street Committees' is a prerequisite.

Street Committees Should:

- Have representatives from each building, who could also comprise people from existing resident associations.
- Collect contributions per flat in the area to form a common fund for their various activities.
- Ensure cleaner, healthier surroundings for the residents and their children through activities like private cleaning of the street, segregation of waste practices, vermiculture, etc.

Thus, the ALM concept ensures that citizens work collectively to identify and solve their locality problems and at the same time the BMC demonstrates its responsiveness to dealing with problems faced by the citizens by appointing a nodal officer to work jointly with the street committees. Once a street committee is formed the members should approach their Ward Officer and request for the appointment of a Nodal Officer.

The ALM plan thus far, has been initiated in various localities in Ghatkopar, Bandra and Nepeansea Road. In Ghatkopar, 21 street committees have been formed, modeled on the Joshi Lane example. Mr. Bagwat, N Ward Officer has been appointed as Nodal Officer. In Bandra (H West Ward) six street committees have been formed. In D Ward, the Ruparel Marg has adopted ALM with Mr. G.G. Dabade as Nodal Officer.

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