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Pinky Rajgarhia

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Dear Friends,

Our heartiest congratulations to Shri Manukumar Srivastava, on taking over as Chief Secretary of the Government of Maharashtra. Our very best wishes to him for a happy and successful tenure. Mr. Srivastava has had a close association with Mumbai First and is, in fact, the architect of the Mumbai Transformation Program. We look forward to working with him.

I followed with great interest, the recent Glasgow COP26 and the excellent intervention of our Hon'ble Minister – Shri Aaditya Thackeray and it is indeed, a matter of great pride under his leadership, Maharashtra was acknowledged and awarded the Regional Leadership Award from under two coalitions of Climate Action. Our heartiest congratulations to the Hon'ble Minister. Our compliments to the Maharashtra Government for unveiling the “Mumbai Climate Action Plan”.

As you would recall during the Silver Jubilee Year of Mumbai First, we identified “Climate Action” as one of our core themes. Climate Change continues to be our focus in the coming year. The Glasgow COP26 conference was supposed to put the world on the 1.5-degree pathway – has it succeeded? However, I do believe the conference delivered some important successes, and leaders from around the world gathered in Glasgow to talk about the challenges of climate change.

More recently, the newly released Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC)'s Sixth Assessment Report has, once again, reminded us that seawater will continue to rise during the 21st century, and India with its 7,517 km of coastline, will face significant threats from rising seas. Cities like Mumbai will be most vulnerable - 28.6 million people and assets worth \$4 trillion could be exposed to coastal flooding.

We are naturally very concerned about our city and continuing our initiative, we are organising another international conference, ``Climate Crisis 2.0: Mobilizing Climate Finance for Coastal Cities'', specifically dealing with the challenges faced by coastal cities. Our conference will primarily focus on the climatic risks coastal cities face and we need to take coastal vulnerability seriously and not go with short-term solutions. We have some excellent national and international speakers, and a suitable action plan will be prepared, following the conference deliberations.

Our congratulations to Shri Sanjay Pandey on taking over as Commissioner of Police of Mumbai. I was very impressed with his open letter to the public and we were delighted that he could spare some time to meet some members of Mumbai First, to discuss how we can work together to make Mumbai "Safe and Secure" for its citizens.

Despite COVID restrictions, our Missions have been active and several interesting programs have been organised - full details are available in the ensuing pages.

Best Wishes,

Narinder Nayar

Chairman- Mumbai First



CEO SPEAKS



Dear Mumbaikars

As the auspicious occasion of Gudi Padwa is a celebration of new beginnings and a new year; the removal of all restrictions marked a new beginning for every Mumbaikar. The lifting of all COVID restrictions after 2 years by the Maharashtra government is welcomed. I would still urge every Mumbaikar to keep themselves safe, continue wearing masks and maintain a safe distance in order to ensure that the declining case trend continues and we finally leave Covid behind and begin fresh again.

In these changing times, Mumbai first has also come up with a new initiative called “Mumbai Charcha”. This initiative aims at inviting prominent and famous residents and speakers of Mumbai to come forward and voice their concerns for the city and share with us their plans and opinions to make the city a better place. It provides a platform for all Mumbaikars to urge their fellow citizens to play an active role in the betterment and growth of the city by holding elected representatives accountable and registering to vote.

Another event, which I want to highlight in my address is “Simplifying the BMC Budget 2022-23”. The city budget dictates our lives, yet receives very little attention. BMC is the richest municipal corporation in South Asia. This year Mumbai first in joint collaboration with the Blue Ribbon movement curated a panel discussion on simplifying the BMC Budget 2022-23 as an attempt to increase citizen participation and give us an in-depth understanding of the city budget. The Pune Municipal Corporation started implementing participatory budgeting which allows citizens to give suggestions on civic issues they would like to see included in the budget. This allows the budget to be more inclusive and get a better understanding of the needs of the citizens. This however is something that the city of Mumbai and BMC lacks. Proper implementation of participatory budgeting in Mumbai can help citizens gain knowledge and act as responsible residents contributing to the betterment of the city.

As a famous saying goes, 'an informed citizenry is at the heart of a dynamic democracy'- the people of Mumbai need to be well versed in the working of the economy to play an active role in the planning of the budget. We invited prominent urban scholars, academicians, former administrative heads, economists, and informed citizens to break down the intricacies of the budget and provide a comprehensive understanding of it to all Mumbaikars.

Lastly, we observed fire services week in the month of April from 14th to 20th of April as a tribute to the 71 brave firefighters who sacrificed their lives in the line of duty, fighting the massive fire at Mumbai dockyard on 14th April 1944. Mumbai being the financial capital of the country has seen a major influx of population in the last decade giving rise to large-scale settlements, be it residential buildings or large industrial spaces. However, there is a lack of balance between this ever-rising population with the proper safety and disaster management protocols and awareness when it comes to the general population is well versed in basic fire-safety requirements. Our fire safety initiative organised an expert panel discussion on "Transforming Mumbai into a fire-safe city" aimed at major aspects of the firefighting canvas such as Policy of Urban Development, Development Control Regulations, and implementation of fire fighting norms, etc. Mumbai First brought together various stakeholders to discuss this issue in detail and propose concrete steps toward making Mumbai Fire a resilient city.

Regards,

Dr. Neville Mehta
CEO, Mumbai First





SIMPLIFYING THE BMC BUDGET

Mumbai First in collaboration with The Blue Ribbon Movement organised a webinar on 12th February to discuss the Brihanmumbai Municipal Corporation's (BMC) civic budget for 2022.

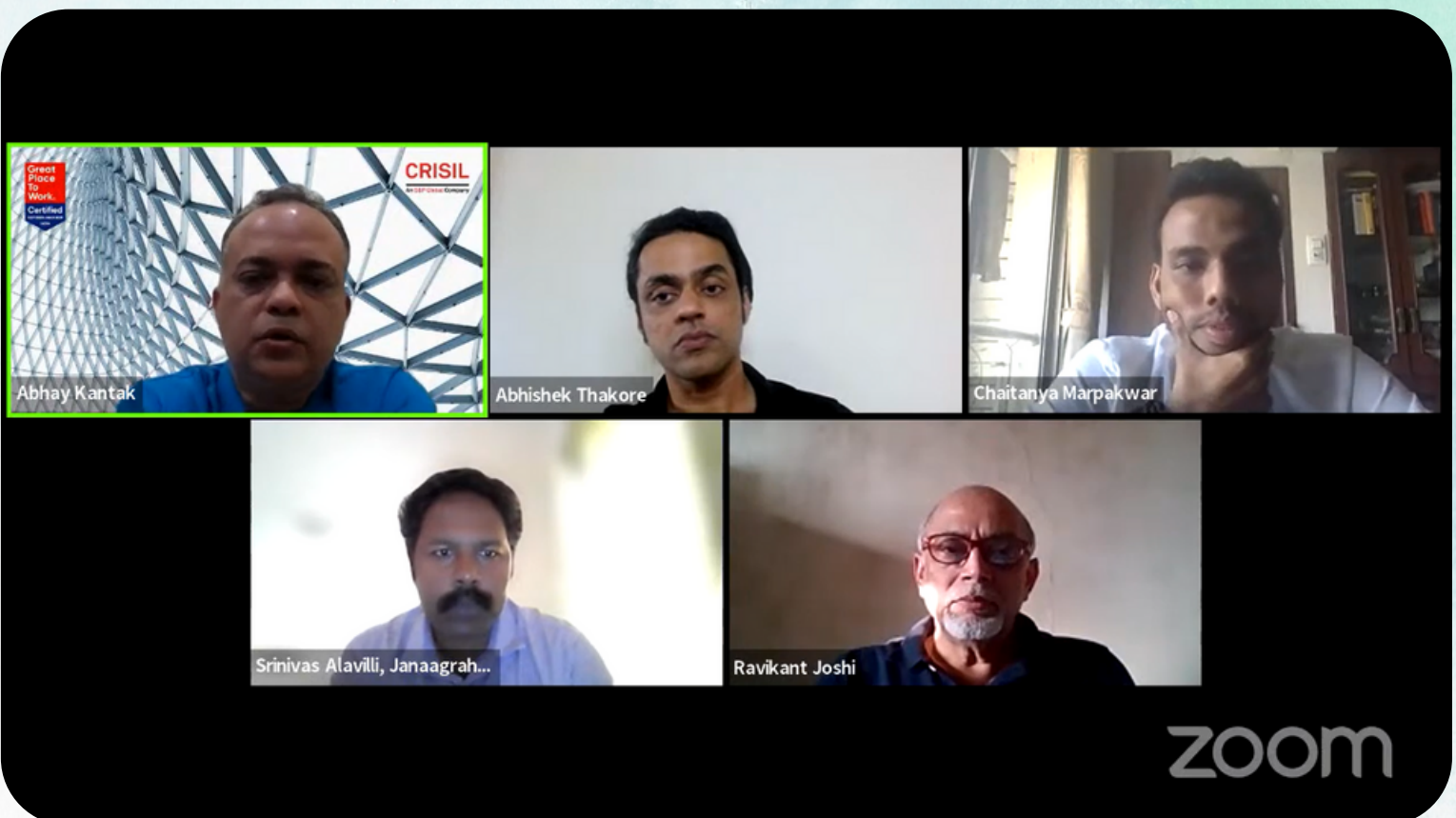
The session was moderated by Abhishek Thakore (founder of The Blue Ribbon Movement) the panel consisted of Chaitanya Marpakwar (journalist TOI, Ravikant Joshi, (an expert in Municipal finance), Abhay Kantak (Director - Urban Practice at CRISIL), and Srinivas Alavilli, (Head of the civic participation team at Janaagraha)



KEY HIGHLIGHTS

- ❖ City budgets dictate our lives more than any other budget yet do not receive this kind of attention or participation from the city or the media.
- ❖ A careful reading of the civic budget will help you understand where you are on the priority list of the people who govern your city, as a citizen, as a society, as a locality, then as a community. So, the budget is as much a financial instrument as it is a political instrument.
- ❖ The BMC budget is not only a political statement & financial account but it sets accountability of the government towards me and therefore citizen has every right to know what the government is doing, what it has achieved, and how it is going to improve their life in the next year's budget
- ❖ INR 7,000 crores i.e. 15% of the total budget estimate has been allocated for health. Unlike many other ULBs, the BMC is actively involved in running medical institutions and providing public health facilities which is otherwise a state function. However, this budgetary support for health is derived from the corporate property tax of the citizens of Mumbai. In many ways, the BMC's health budget expenditure is borne by the city on behalf of the state.

- ❖ Mumbai is one of the few cities that has its own transport service and the BMC budget has allocated 800 crores for BEST Undertaking. Since Public Transport is an essential means of livelihood for a large section of the city's population, it needs more support and up-gradation for greater citizen welfare.
- ❖ In the 2-3 years, there is a rising concern regarding unplanned expenditure in the city. These projects have no mention in the budget, yet expenditure is incurred on them. For instance, BMC is constructing INR 165 Crores cycle track, which costs 40 crores per kilometer, linking Bandra fort to Mahim fort.
- ❖ A parking policy and a professional parking authority can help regulate the road space and give equitable access to everyone, whether they have a private vehicle or not. This is essential for solving the parking problems in Mumbai.
- ❖ The single biggest missing link in Mumbai is the absence of ward committees. Mumbai should set an example and lead the country in making these 24 ward committees fully functional. The ward committee should have representation from all walks of life and all socio-economic group.



Mumbai first, along with Blue Ribbon Movement organised for the first time, a 11-part speaker series, called Mumbai Charcha - a conversation series with the prominent citizens of Mumbai. Eminent personalities and important stakeholders for the city of Mumbai belonging to various backgrounds and representing diverse sectors were invited for this new initiative, allowing our viewers and followers to gain knowledge on various aspects of each sector.

The Mumbai Charcha series intends to inspire Mumbaikars and open up their imagination. The series also serves as a voter awareness campaign where we reach out to citizens, asking them to participate in voting and deliberate upon the city's future. The sessions were moderated by Mr. Abhishek Thakore, founder of the Blue-Ribbon Movement. From influential businessmen like Mr. Ashank Desai to famous artists like D'Evil, we had people from all kinds of backgrounds and of various talents on board.

Charcha in Snapshot

SANJAY UBALE

Ex IAS, Ex Director Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, Ex MD Tata Realty & Infrastructure.

Mumbai's Dharma is to create wealth. Mumbai was an economic entity before it became a city. Its growth has been a result of its financial success. That's what attracted people to migrate here and the city evolved over the years. Mumbaikars realize that the city helps them in their prosperity and their taxes help keep it running. However, it's also crucial their taxes are invested in the right places



RAJNI BAKSHI

Founder and Curator of Ahimsa Conversations, Journalist & Author

For me, Mumbai gives a feeling of relaxed belonging as I can travel in public transport such as taxis even at midnight without a second thought, while that might not be the case elsewhere. Moreover, in the city, where people are always busy, there is no feeling of being judged at all at any point in time.



RAHUL KADRI

Partner & Principal Architect at IMK Architects

As per BMC data, 50% of the people in the city walk to work, 25% take the train, 15% take the bus and the rest use private automobiles. More people can be encouraged to use public transportation and we can widen pavements for pedestrians and cycles. We can reimagine our roads as parks or green spaces where we walk and take the metro/bus - giving priority to citizens who actually use it the most.





NAGHMA MULLA

CEO and Director at EdelGive Foundation.

Mumbai is a high-density city where everybody wants to fit in. The slum population is almost 52%, so it has all the problems that any big city has. Although the one thing that could probably improve the state of Mumbai is active citizenship. Mumbai doesn't have enough of it because all of us are busy with our own mandates and are unable to care for the city as a whole.

D'EVIL

Rapper, Hip Hop Artist & Lyricist with Gully Gang Records

I think Mumbai is a city "give & take city". People come here, work for a while then leave the city - leaving behind a part of their culture and taking something new with them. There is no one fixed culture. You find people here who speak 6-7 languages as they live in such diverse communities. The biggest lesson I learned from Mumbai is that change is constant. Yet, in spite of changing so much, Mumbai has still not lost its vibe.



ABHA NARAIN LAMBAH

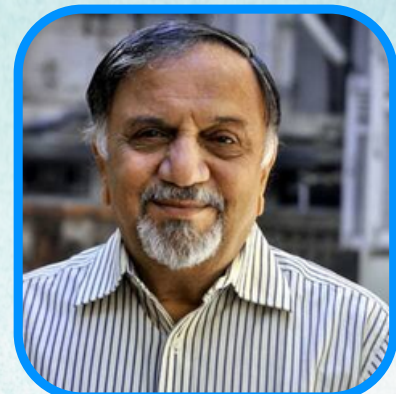
Conservation Architect & Founder of leading architecture firm in Mumbai

Mumbai has been a pathbreaker and we changed the paradigm of conservation in 1995. The city acknowledged that not just heritage monuments, but also heritage "precincts" and neighborhoods like Banganga, Khotachiwadi, Fort, etc. also need protection. These places are the repository of the city's cultural memory.

SHAILESH GANDHI

Former Central Information Commissioner & RTI Activist

Even though we may curse or crib about various flaws and issues of the city, there is something about Mumbai that we love. This is the magic of Mumbai. It is a city of dreams to many where the sky is the limit. As Mumbai offers a lot of empathy and opportunities that any other city does not do





D SIVANANDAN

Former Maharashtra DGP & Former Mumbai Police Commissioner

Police get more power when they misuse it. All of us are equally empowered citizens, if people are not knowledgeable about this they become afraid of the police.

ASHANK DESAI

Vice Chairman and Managing Director of Mastek

The birthplace of IT evolution is Mumbai. Software exports commenced in Mumbai's Seepz area with the establishment of the first export processing zones, this led companies to flock to Mumbai



SUBHAJIT MUKHERJEE

Founder, Mission Green Mumbai & Ambassador Majhi Vasundhara Abhiyan

Mumbai is a magic city. If you have a vision, Mumbaikars will definitely come forward and support you, such kind of flavor is never experienced anywhere else. In a first of its kind, Mumbai is the only city, which has a national park in the center of the city

MILIND MHASKE

CEO, Praja Foundation

Mumbai is better managed than other cities. BMC does a lot more than any other corporation. Though, if compared globally, Mumbai is not scoring high because of its structure. There is a limitation when it comes to giving adequate power to the mayor and Mumbai shall be different place altogether



Pinky Rajgarhia

John Green, a famous author, in one of his books said “What is the point of being alive if you don't at least try to do something remarkable?”. Mrs. Pinky Rajgarhia has truly lived up to this quote when we talk about all the steps she has taken to support and empower the women of Mumbai. A child psychologist by profession, winner of multiple pageants and a mother of two daughters, Pinky has shown people how a woman can have it all and make a mark in the society without having to sacrifice her professional or personal life.



She gained great confidence because of her splendid performance in beauty pageants which resulted in empowering her to start Chingari Shakti foundation. Her belief is that in order to empower people and push them to do great things, you yourself need to be empowered first.

In wake of the pandemic, Pinky along with her team at Chingari Shakti Foundation came up with a free meal program in 7 locations all over Mumbai in order to provide the basic meals that one needs to survive.

For her, Chingari Shakti foundation is like the third daughter she so longed for. The word Chingari describes the spark that she has always had in her to do something great for women and our society and Shakti is another name for Goddess Durga of whom Pinky is a devotee which resulted in her naming her brainchild Chingari Shakti foundation. “Aisi Shakti hai chingari, jo badal de duniya sari” says Pinky. Their main aim and motto as a foundation are to educate all girls and teach them self-defense, for the slogan “beti bachao, beti padhao” truly makes sense only if the girl child is given the education she deserves and taught how to protect herself from the evils of the society.

She has made appeals to multiple schools regarding making self-defense a core part of their curriculum for girls of all ages. She feels that girls must be taught the basic ways to protect themselves from a very young age. It is only when a girl knows how to defend herself that she can put her education to good use and make a mark in society. She also talked about the Nirbhaya squad, an initiative by the Mumbai Police and how efficiently they have been working towards protecting women. One can see their pink vans at night parked at various spots, policemen and women always alert and on patrol making sure that all girls and women of Mumbai can travel and move around the city without having to worry about their safety be it in the day or late at night.

“Education is the most important asset that a girl requires to empower herself because without that, she can't stand up for herself”.



A child psychologist by profession, she believes that children are very tender and sensitive when it comes to their mental health and the pandemic ended up being a major cause of depression and mental health issues in children and adults alike. She urges BMC and schools in Mumbai to keep aside at least 25-30 mins each day for meditation for it is through meditation that one can attain true mental peace. It is something that can not only help with depression but also increase concentration and help students stay fresh and energetic all day. Children need to be taught ways to keep their minds and bodies healthy in order to battle issues like depression and sadness to get through these testing times.

Chingari Shakti as a foundation not only focuses on just educating women but also works with other vulnerable sections of the society like the transgender community. Pinky talks about how enlightening it is to work with the community for they are extremely warm and welcoming in their approach despite all the oppression they have faced. The foundation recently celebrated the festival Holi with the transgender community wherein they distributed sarees and food amongst the members of the community and enjoyed the festivities with them.



Mumbai as a city has always been known for the feeling of warmth and comfort it gives to every newcomer. The city and its Mumbaikars welcomed Pinky with open arms about 23 years back and it has always been the same for her. "Mumbai for me is my karmabhoomi and Nepal my janmabhoomi" says Pinky as she fondly talks about the love she has for the city and how kind it has always been to her. She has always had an unchanged bond with the city and every Mumbaikar which she truly cherishes.

“My message to every woman in Mumbai and all over India is, work hard, educate yourself and don’t let the shackles of marriage and household duties hold you back from achieving greatness”.



With a legacy that goes as far back as 1989, the JSW Foundation (JSWF) was established as the social development arm of the JSW group, and it aims to empower communities with the core goal to nurture their aspirations as well as capabilities. Over the years, it has invested in innovative ideas and initiatives through a collaborative approach.

Committed to empowering citizens with better health, education, skill enhancement, and employment opportunities. Our initiatives are aimed at encouraging sustainable development in the areas of agriculture, water, environment, conservation of heritage sites and art, and promotion of sports.

Health & Nutrition

Empowering communities with good nutrition and healthcare

To enhance health and nutrition at all levels of healthcare systems, JSWF maintains its efforts by increasing awareness of ailments, contributing to healthcare infrastructure development, and encouraging community engagement to support the nation's efforts.

What we do

- Augment healthcare delivery through the building of multispecialty hospitals, and support government facilities such as Primary Health Centers (PHCs), Community Health Centers (CHCs), hospitals, and special care units
- Provide access to safe, effective, and affordable healthcare services
- Strong focus on early childhood nutrition and healthcare through the strengthening of Anganwadis and capacity building of Anganwadi Workers (ANWs)

- Support strong referral networks in remote areas and provide ambulance services for timely healthcare delivery. In Mumbai, JSWF has partnered with KEM Hospital, Sion to undertake corrective surgeries for children under 10 years of age suffering from Hole in the Heart defect and Tata Memorial Hospital to support the financing of prosthesis insertion surgeries for cancer patients with limited resources.

The Foundation has recently partnered with Jagannath Cancer Aid Foundation, Mumbai to provide non-medical assistance to underprivileged cancer patients through a one-of-a-kind shelter home equipped with amenities for a healthier tomorrow.

To deliver timely and accessible healthcare for all, JSWF collaborated with The Breach Candy Hospital Trust, Mumbai to bolster India's health infrastructure.

At JSWF, the health and well-being of the nation come first, and we'll spare no effort in safeguarding it.

Water, Environment & Sanitation

Ensuring a healthy environment

At JSWF, we strive to create a healthy environment around our area of operations. We undertake an integrated approach towards water, environment and sanitation by ensuring access to safe drinking water, implementing long-term plans for sustainable water resource management and enabling water security for domestic and agriculture usage in our communities.

What we do

- Increase access to drinking water through an integrated approach of providing overhead tanks, water pipelines, water dispensing units and water stations.

- Intensive Water Resource Management efforts are led at the Foundation through interventions ranging from integrated watershed management, rejuvenating ponds, recharging groundwater, augmenting surface water recharge to rainwater harvesting structures
- Nurture aquatic & terrestrial ecosystems in varied geographies through Daroji Nature Interpretation Centre, Mangrove Conservation and Restoration Project, and more
- Battle Climate Change by promoting sustainable resource usage, partnering with ecosystem enablers
- Increase green cover by undertaking tree plantation, nursery development, silvopasture plantation, and developing our own Miyawaki Forest Cum Biodiversity Park

Waste Management Awareness and innovation in Waste Management

With rapid urbanization, systematic management of waste from households, industries, and markets is crucial in our country to prevent adverse impacts on the environment and people's health. The challenges are more poignant in smaller towns and villages that may lack the advanced large-scale operations observed in large cities.

JSWF is aligned with the government's Swachh Bharat Mission and focuses on reducing and eliminating the practice of mixed waste. Conceived around women's different roles, this sanitation facility at Mumbai Central suburban railway station addresses specific needs of feminine hygiene and offers child stations for mothers and changing rooms for women professionals. The design has been kept practical and the facility has been created using easily maintainable, locally procured material.

Art, Heritage, and Culture Enriching lives with art, culture, and heritage

The irreplaceable contribution of art, culture, and heritage is evident in the way it brings together societies and inculcates a sense of identity, pride, and belonging. The JSWF has developed a long-term preservation and restoration strategy to protect our heritage for future generations.

As individuals, part of a multi-hued cultural mosaic and beneficiaries of one of the most layered civilizations in the world, JSWF, with a multitude of partners, has undertaken multiple initiatives to preserve and conserve the magnificent structures in Mumbai, namely

- David Sassoon Library and Reading Room
- J.J School of Arts
- Keneseth Eliyahoo Synagogue (Recognized as World Heritage Site by UNESCO).

Agri-Livelihoods Towards sustainable farming SDGs Touched: SDG 1 & 2

At JSWF, we are working to support our communities, farmers and the agricultural sector while protecting our environment and resources. Our inclusive Agri-livelihood model lays emphasis on the entire value chain. To elevate the income levels in the agricultural space, we promote sustainable agricultural practices among farmers through multiple demonstration farms, training and grassroots capacity building. In addition, we collaborate with leading technical institutions and provide value-added services to help farmers increase their productivity. Our interventions are sensitive to the varied requirements of each region. We endeavor to meet local conditions and mitigate the risks from erratic weather conditions through the promotion of climate-smart agricultural practices and climate-smart crops.



Education & Learning

Creating tomorrow's leaders today

The focus of the JSWF's Education initiatives is on working with students from Anganwadi to graduation in association with education partners from India, while also lending support through the Jindal Educational Trust towards their school education. Our education programs focus on a spectrum of aspects, including the construction and maintenance of school infrastructure, interventions in early childhood education, e-learning, scholarships, teacher training, remedial classes, additional teacher support, career guidance, exposure to science and math activities, the provision of science labs and libraries. Financial constraints are one of the most common reasons for student dropouts in India. In Mumbai, JSWF has supported scholarships, helping students unlock their true potential and realize higher education opportunities.

Skill Development & Livelihoods

In tandem with the government's efforts to promote skill-based training, we are focusing on ground realities to increase the employability of graduates and women in rural areas with innovative solutions and vocational training.

Enabling the economic empowerment of low-income families is important to our goal of inclusive community development. We are assisting women artisans in various geographies to enhance their incomes from indigenous arts and crafts. The project is developing the entrepreneurial skills of the women by infusing new designs and facilitating market linkages. Training for each aspect of the trade is carried out such as product training, marketing training, product diversification, upselling and more.



Sports Promotion & Development

JSWF nurtures rural talent and provides holistic and integrated solutions ranging from infrastructure, equipment, and training of trainers to partnering with government bodies and other associations for growth. Hoping to bring powerful transformation in the field of sports in India, JSWF is promoting sports and providing a strong support system for the institutions of our country and its sportspersons.



OUR NEW GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER



We welcome Sangita Jindal
Chairperson, JSW Foundation
| President, Art India Magazine

TRANSFORMING MUMBAI INTO A FIRE SAFE CITY

The National Fire Service Week (NSW) is observed in Mumbai from 14th to 20th of April as a tribute to the 71 brave firefighters who sacrificed their lives in the line of duty, fighting the massive fire at Mumbai dockyard on 14th April 1944.

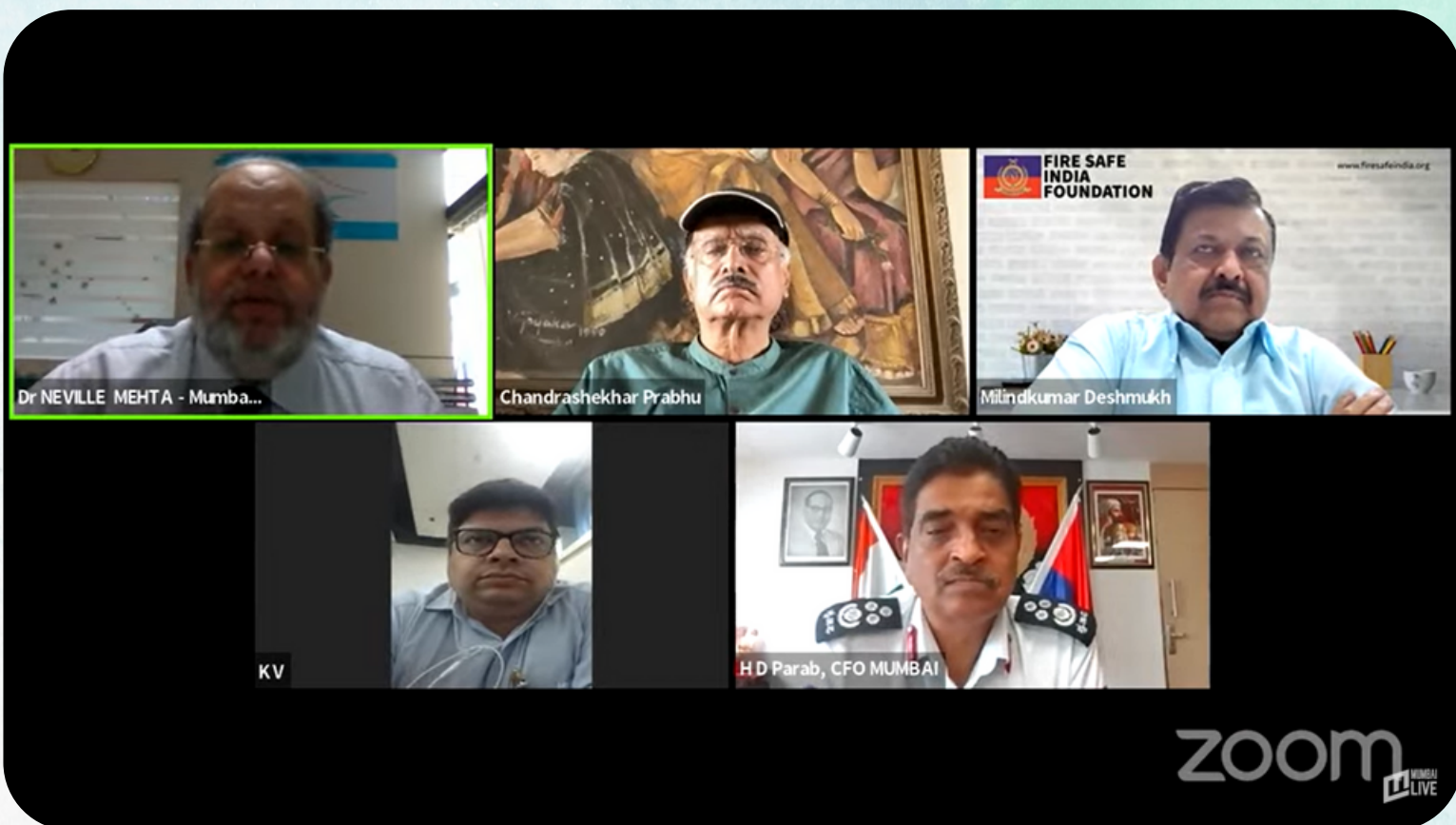
Mumbai First as a part of National Fire Services Week curated a virtual panel discussion moderated by Mumbai First Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Neville Mehta began with a welcome address. The panel consisted of Hemant Parab, Chief Fire Officer, Mumbai Fire Brigade, M.V. Deshmukh Chairman Fire Safe India Foundation Former Director, Chandrashekhar Prabhu, an architect, professor, urban planner, and Ketan Vaidya, a Senior Journalist, Mirror Now.



KEY HIGHLIGHTS

- The first aspect of the fire fighting canvas is the Policy of urban development followed by the development plan of the city, development control regulations, and implementation of fire fighting norms. If all these four aspects are in sync, they will make our firefighting capabilities stronger.
- On the 14th of April, 2022, we introduced software prepared by our team which makes keeping records of buildings easy. All the information about the buildings and requirements for a Form B, their conditions, and any other necessary data is made available instantly on the software.
- Most of the buildings in Mumbai have single staircases. We always compromise on the width of Staircases. The width of Staircases is always disproportionate to the occupational load of the building.

- Community Policing is the Police of the future where the community plays the role, then our law and order is better established. Likewise, fire brigades need to take seriously the involvement of Mumbaikars in the fire safety mechanisms.
- Private developers are needed to be incentivized towards creating a small fire station within the vicinity of the mammoth projects they undertake. This will mean having one more fire station, albeit a small one, to augment our firefighting capacity.
- There is also a lack of awareness in media houses about what they can do to help while reporting these disasters. Media personnel should be trained and workshops or programs should be organised in collaboration with fire departments to make sure that journalists too can lend a hand and help the fire brigade.



Community Connect – Safe & Secure Mumbai

Mumbai First hosted a roundtable discussion on ‘Mumbai Corporate Community Connect - Safe & Secure Mumbai’ chaired by Mr. Sanjay Pandey, Commissioner of Police (CP) Mumbai.

The discussion offered an opportunity to interact with Mr. Pandey as he is looking forward to gaining insights and suggestions from the corporate community on the city’s security situation. He is also keen on working closely with citizens, businesses, and other stakeholders to gain insights into the security requirements of the city and how the Police Department can best facilitate and provide the same.

The roundtable discussion majorly focused on three

Key Issues:

- 1) Citizen Safety especially for women & children
- 2) Traffic & Parking management
- 3) Cyber security.



KEY HIGHLIGHTS

1. It is important to study the population carrying capacity of the city. It will help to understand how much density of population Mumbai city can tolerate.
2. Construction activities in the city need to be regulated. It is important to make construction-free zones in the city. We have to identify zones that can be made fully construction free.
3. There is a need to make car-free zones in the city by promoting activities like Sunday Streets with the objective of making people realize the importance of how it feels when streets are without cars.
4. The noise pollution in the city is increasing exponentially, leading to the need for the “Sunday Silence” movement across the city.
5. Hawkers need to be formalized so that pedestrian-friendly streets can be achieved in the city. There is a need for close cooperation between Mumbai Police and BMC to solve the issue of the informal hawker menace on the streets.

6. Reporting of cases is still a major concern. Neighborhood Community Policing is the need of the hour. RWAs can help to register a complaint and demand enforcement from Police.
7. The unregularized parking issue needs to be formalized. The issue of 2, 3, and 4 lane parking is creating a big roadblock to the proper movement of vehicles. The issue has to be addressed at the earliest.
8. Citizens have the right not to be arrested/ searched without a warrant. This is essential for building a better police-citizen relationship
9. Technology interventions need to be upgraded at the police stations. Cybercrime is increasing at a rapid pace especially cyber transactions crime. There is a need to create greater awareness among Mumbaikars about cybercrime and its implications.
10. Traffic signages should be more prominent in important accident-prone areas. Increasing signal time at important crossings in the city.
11. Two-wheelers and wrong-side driving on the road is a menace that needs immediate attention.
12. Old unused vehicles on the road popularly known as “Khataras” have to be immediately removed from the roads.
13. Drug Menace in the city is rising exponentially, it is important to be addressed in a multi-stakeholder approach.



Mumbai First proposes to organise a follow-up international conference on **“Climate Crisis 2.0: Mobilizing Climate Finance for Coastal Cities”** in close collaboration with the Government of Maharashtra. This International Conference will be the facilitating forum to help build these synergies and shape partnerships with national governments, international organisations, civil society, and the private sector.



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