

WATER POLLUTION | Residents report skin problems and other health concerns

Ambad water pollution: Mahajan orders probe

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Taking serious cognisance of complaints about contaminated water in Datt Nagar, Maruti Sankul, the Tulja Bhavani area and surrounding localities near the Ambad Industrial Estate, Guardian Minister Girish Mahajan visited the affected areas to assess the situation. He visited residents' homes, interacted with families and heard complaints from citizens who reported skin problems and other health issues allegedly caused by contaminated water.

Expressing concern over the reported impact on public health, Mahajan said citizens' health would not be compromised under any circumstances and that no industrial unit responsible for negligence would be protected.

He directed the Nashik Municipal Corporation (NMC) to ensure an immediate and adequate supply of safe drinking water to residents. He also instructed officials to shut down hand pumps and borewells in the affected areas to prevent people from using potentially contaminated water and suffering further health complications.

Mahajan contacted State Industries Minister Uday Samant and Environment Minister Pankaja Munde over the phone to apprise them of the situation. He urged the concerned departments to



investigate the matter, identify those responsible and take stringent action.

He also contacted the principal secretaries of the Industries and Environment departments, along with senior officials of the Maharashtra Pollution Control Board (MPCB), and directed them to urgently investigate the extent and sources of water pollution in Ambad and initiate strict action against industries found responsible.

Expressing displeasure over reports of companies discharging industrial wastewater directly into drains or onto land without proper treatment, Mahajan instructed the administration to take action against units responsible for pollution. He emphasised that companies releasing untreated or con-

taminated wastewater must be held accountable.

Mahajan also inspected the Common Effluent Treatment Plant (CETP) being developed to treat industrial wastewater generated in the Ambad Industrial Estate. He directed the concerned authorities to complete the project at the earliest to ensure effective treatment of industrial effluent and reduce the risk of water pollution.

Mahajan said the situation in Ambad was not merely a water contamination issue but one directly concerning public health and environmental safety. He stressed the need for coordinated action by all concerned departments to ensure access to safe drinking water, prevent the use of contaminated water, identify the source of pollution, take action against responsible

industries and complete the CETP project within the stipulated timeframe.

Rajendra Pansare, president of the Ambad Industries and Manufacturers Association (AIMA), said, "There is absolutely no possibility of such a practice being followed by companies affiliated with AIMA in the Ambad Industrial Estate. However, the possibility of such incidents involving small establishments that are not registered with the Pollution Control Board cannot be ruled out. "Compliance with pollution control norms is the responsibility of every establishment, and there should be no compromise on this front. Releasing contaminated water negligently amounts to playing with the health of citizens, and there is no question of defending anyone

Man cheated of ₹43 lakh

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A retired engineer from a multinational company was allegedly cheated of approximately ₹43 lakh by cyber criminals using the 'digital arrest' tactic. The suspects threatened him with arrest in a money laundering case and forced him to remain seated in front of a camera at his home for three days.

The cyber fraudsters contacted the senior citizen, who lives in the Indiranagar area, claiming that money laundering transactions had been carried out in his name and that action could be taken against him. They told him that he was under 'digital arrest' and compelled him to sit in front of a camera at home for three days. Driven by fear, he transferred a substantial amount of money to bank accounts specified by the suspects.

After realising that he had been defrauded, the victim lodged a complaint.

Shri Swami Samarth Seva Kendra assured new site

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The rehabilitation of the Shri Swami Samarth Seva Kendra, which will be affected by the construction of the proposed Ramjhula bridge along the Godavari riverfront in Nashik ahead of the upcoming Kumbh Mela, has received a boost. Nashik Municipal Corporation Commissioner Manisha Khatri and MLA Prof Devyani Pharande visited the Seva Kendra and interacted with devotees and volunteers, assuring them of an alternative location and financial assistance for reconstruction.

Following a notice issued by the corporation regarding the removal of the Seva Kendra to facilitate the Ramjhula project, devotees had expressed strong displeasure. Against this backdrop, Commissioner Khatri inspected the site and assured those present that the civic body would officially provide



an alternative space for rebuilding the centre in the vacant area that will become available beneath the connecting road of the Ramjhula bridge after its construction is completed.

Pharande assured the volunteers that funds required for the new construction would be made available promptly through the MLA Local Development Fund. The assurances helped address the concerns and uncertainty among the volunteers, who

expressed gratitude to the administration and elected representatives.

Ward No. 13 corporator Aditi Pandey, corporator Rahul Shelar, Nikhil Pawar, Mayuri Pawar, Vinayak Pandey, Ankush Pawar, Amar Khaire, Yogesh Shirpure, Keshav Ghoderao and Ashwini Ambekar were present during the inspection, along with a large number of volunteers and devotees associated with the Shri Swami Samarth Seva Kendra.

Trimbakeshwar Temple may remain closed for 2 months

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The state government is considering a proposal to keep Trimbakeshwar Temple closed to devotees from October 15 to December 15, 2026, to expedite pending development works for the Simhastha Kumbh Mela. If approved, the move could prevent devotees from attending important religious occasions, including Dussehra, Diwali and the historic Tripurari Purnima Rathotsav, which is associated with the temple's 300-year-old tradition. The proposed closure could also result in a loss of crores of rupees in temple revenue and adversely affect local traders and businesses.

The issue was discussed on Thursday when Guardian Minister Girish Mahajan visited Trimbakeshwar to inspect the ongoing development works. The discussion took place at the temple trust's office in the presence of sen-

ior administrative officials and trust representatives.

Contractors have reportedly demanded that the temple remain closed for two months from October 15, arguing that this would enable them to accelerate work on the special darshan pathway and within the temple premises.

Meanwhile, the Maharashtra State Infrastructure Development Corporation, which is executing the special darshan pathway project, has reportedly left several parts of the town disrupted by demolition and excavation over the past six months. Government offices and the Sub-District Hospital have also been relocated. Despite these disruptions, the pace of work has remained slow.

Concerns have also been raised over alleged violations of Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) norms and the potential risk to the ancient temple structure. Devotees

have expressed dissatisfaction with the ongoing work, including activities within the temple premises, questioning the manner in which it is being carried out. The proposed closure has now emerged as a possible measure to accelerate the project.

Work at Kushavart Ghat has remained pending for nearly a year. With the Simhastha Kumbh Mela flag-hoisting ceremony approaching, the ghat has been kept closed during Pitru Paksha to facilitate the urgent completion of the work.

Demolition and construction-related disruptions have severely affected local businesses, leaving many traders struggling to earn a livelihood. Several small vendors depend on handcarts, tables and temporary stalls to support their families. With the local marketplace already facing significant disruption, the proposed closure of the temple for another two months has

raised serious concerns among traders about how they will sustain themselves during this period.

Mr. POWAR MAYUR SANJAY
Subordinate Staff
Senior Office Assistant
Bank of Baroda, Kolhapur Region
Subject : Disciplinary Proceedings in respect of Chargesheet dated 06.08.2026 under "Gross Misconduct" - Preliminary Hearing

I have been appointed as the Enquiry Officer by the Disciplinary Authority vide order dated 06.08.2026 to conduct the enquiry into the charges levelled against you vide Chargesheet dated 06.08.2026.

In connection with the above disciplinary proceedings, you are hereby informed that the Preliminary Hearing has been scheduled as under: **Date: 12.10.2026 Time: 10:00 AM. Venue: Regional Office, Kolhapur**

You are hereby advised to remain present at the aforesaid Preliminary Hearing without fail, either in person or along with your Defence Representative, if any, in accordance with the applicable rules governing disciplinary proceedings.

(Mr. Mahendra Popat Sudrik)
Enquiry Officer
Bank of Baroda, Kolhapur Region

Dwarka-Datta Mandir Road to get 6 lanes before Kumbh

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In preparation for the upcoming Simhastha Kumbh Mela and to ease traffic congestion, the six-lane widening of the busy stretch of National Highway 60 between Dwarka Circle and Datta Mandir Chowk has received approval. The Regional Office of the Union Ministry of Road Transport and Highways has issued a letter to the Nashik Municipal Corporation

(NMC) confirming the go-ahead for the project. The Ministry granted final approval on June 3, 2026, and sanctioned ₹221 crore for the work.

According to the Ministry's technical records, the 5.650-km stretch between Dwarka and Datta Mandir Chowk currently has a width of 24 to 30 metres. The plan is to widen the road to 45 metres before the Simhastha Kumbh Mela. Under the proposed design, two-lane service roads will be

constructed on both sides of the main six-lane highway. The project is expected to significantly ease traffic congestion between Dwarka and Nashik Road. The National Highways Authority had stipulated that sufficient land be made available to accommodate the 45-metre-wide road. The municipal corporation has expedited the land acquisition process, with the administration claiming that 90% of the required land has already been acquired.

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E-AUCTION FOR SALE OF MOVABLE PROPERTIES UNDER SARFAESI ACT 2002 / HYPOTHECATED ASSET

E Auction sale notice for sale of Movable Assets under the securitization and reconstruction of financial assets and enforcement of security interest act 2002 read with provision to Rule 8(5) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules: 2002 and Hypothecated Assets: Notice is hereby given to public in general & in particular to following Borrower(s)/ Guarantor(s) that the below mentioned movable properties hypothecated to bank of India (Secured Creditor), the Physical Possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of Bank of India will be sold on "AS IS WHERE IS BASIS", "AS IS WHAT IS BASIS" AND "WHATEVER THERE IS CONDITION" for recovery of respective dues as detailed hereunder against the secured assets hypothecated to Bank of India from the respective borrower(s)/Guarantor(s). The Reserve Price and Earnest Money Deposit is shown there against each secured assets. The sale will be done by the undersigned (Authorized officer of Bank of India) through e-auction platform, provided hereunder.

DATE & TIME of Action for all properties: 12.11.2025 between 11 AM to 5 PM (With auto extensions clause in case of bid in last 10 minutes before closing).
(Request for inspection of properties can be made at Email ID ratnagiri.ard@bankofindia.co.in and/or by contacting Mr Anil Kumar : 9589743173, Mr Ritesh Kumar: 9805873551)

Sr. No	Name of Borrower Co Borrower, Mortgage Property ID Branch Name	Property Details	Total Dues	Possession Type	Reserve Price in Rs.	EMD in Rs.
1	Mr. Pratik Pradip Mohite BKID1485PPATIK Anjanvel Branch	Hypothecation of Ape Xtra HT LDX Vehicle No. - MH-08-BC-0215, Engine No. TXTCS13013217, Chasis No. M8X000AFB272014, Fuel CNG	Total Contractual Dues Rs. 3,23,711.00 + UCI from date of NPA i.e. 29/12/2023 + Other Incidental Expenses	Physical	1,20,000.00	12,000.00
2	Mr. Anil Dagdu Sovilkar BKID1422ANIL Palgad Branch	Hypothecation of Ape Xtra HT LDX Vehicle No. - MH-08-BC-149R, Engine no. TXTCS2301571R, Chasis No. M8X000AFB3D395759, Fuel CNG only	Total Contractual Dues Rs. 2,51,039 + UCI from date of NPA i.e. 23/08/2025 + Other Incidental Expenses	Physical	1,55,000.00	15,500.00
3	Mr. Suchiket Datiguru BKID14115UCHIKET Chiplun Branch	Hypothecation of Tata Intra V10 BS 4 Reg. no.: MH08AP2515 Make: 05/2019	Total Contractual Dues Rs. 5,90,749.13 + UCI from date of NPA i.e. 17/08/2022 + Other Incidental Expenses	Physical	1,50,000.00	15,000.00
4	Mr. Kailas Vijay Bhatkar BKID1400KAILAS Ratnagiri Branch	Hypothecation of TVS King 2D 225LC Auto Reg.no.: MH08AQ4150 Make: 10/2019	Total Contractual Dues Rs. 7,29,070.84 + UCI from date of NPA i.e. 28/02/2023 + Other Incidental Expenses	Physical	33,000.00	3,300.00
5	Mr. Pran.od Pandurang Gangan BKID1443PPAMOD Veravali Budruk Branch	Hypothecation of Hyundai Xcent CRDI Prime T Reg. No.: MH48BM3274 Make: 05/2019	Total Contractual Dues Rs. 5,25,787.50 + UCI from date of NPA i.e. 29/07/2023 + Other Incidental Expenses	Physical	1,45,000.00	14,500.00
6	Mr. Achish Goutam, Valanju BKID1433ASHISH Vatul Branch	Hypothecation of TATA Super ACE Mint BS 4 Reg No.: MH08Q5234 Make: 05/2015	Total Contractual Dues Rs. 3,43,075.25 + UCI from date of NPA i.e. 15/07/2023 + Other Incidental Expenses	Physical	48,000.00	4,800.00
7	Mr. Suraj Vilas Mahadik BKID1425SURAJ Palgad Branch	Hypothecation of Ten.po Traveller T1 Vehicle No. - MH-04-LE7352, Engine No. D71024549, Chasis No. MC1E4EA77P008978 Fuel : Diesel	Total Contractual Dues Rs. 12,28,888.50 + UCI from date of NPA i.e. 30/03/2025 + Other Incidental Expenses	Physical	10,85,000.00	1,08,500.00
8	Mr. Sohan Ramesh Shaha BKID1400SOHAN Ratnagiri branch	Hypothecation of Maruti Super Carry-Pick up CNG Reg.No.MH08AP2734 Make: 05/2019 Engine No.: G128N598919 Chasis No.: MA3ZELF1T00148740 Fuel: Diesel Color: Silky Silver	Total Contractual Dues Rs. 21,07,287.43 + UCI from date of NPA i.e. 28/02/2025 + Other Incidental Expenses	Physical	1,40,000.00	14,000.00
9	Mrs. Jyoti Kailas Khandare BKID1451JYOTI Oras Branch	Cashew Nut Dryer, Sealing Machine with Compressor, Boiler, Coating Pan, Syrup Stearn. Mixer, Incense stick Machine with Dryer, Computer, Printer, Furniture, Fryung Fryer, Dosa Machine, Pop Corn Machine, Oven, Flour Machine.	Total Contractual dues of Rs. 855978.29 Plus UCI from the date of NPA + Other Expenses	Physical	35,000.00	3,500.00

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF E-AUCTION

1.The e-auction shall be conducted online on an "AS IS WHERE IS", "AS IS WHAT IS" and "WHATEVER THERE IS" basis.

2.For downloading the detailed terms and conditions, procedural requirements and other relevant information, please visit: a) <https://bankofindia.co.in> b) Website of the E-Auction Service Provider: <https://baanknet.com/> Bidders may visit <https://baanknet.com/>, where guidelines for bidders, along with informative video tutorials, are available. The following formalities must be completed in advance by bidders to participate in the e-auction:

Stage 1: Registration of Bidders – Bidders are required to register themselves on the e-auction platform. (the link to which is provided above) by providing their mobile number and e-mail ID.

Stage 2: KYC Verification – Bidders shall upload the required KYC documents exclusively through DigLocker. The KYC documents shall be verified through DigLocker.

Stage 3: Transfer of EMD Amount to the Global EMD Wallet – The EMD amount shall be transferred online through NEFT/online transfer using the challan generated on the e-auction platform.

Stage 4: Bidding Process and Bid Results – Interested bidders may participate in the online bidding process on the e-auction platform, after completing Stages 1, 2 and 3. Please note that bidders must complete Stages 1 to 3 before the date of the e-auction.

3.Before submitting their bids, it shall be the responsibility of the bidders to inspect the vehicles/assets and verify all relevant particulars, including encumbrances, outstanding charges, taxes and other liabilities, and satisfy themselves in all respects. Bidders may inspect the vehicles after consulting the concerned officer, whose details are provided herein. The inspection period for movable assets shall be from: 21.10.2025 to 11.11.2025, between 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., by prior appointment with the officers mentioned above.

4.The bid amount submitted shall be equal to or higher than the applicable reserve price. For vehicles having a reserve price of Rs. 2,00,000/- (Rupees Two Lakh only), the bid amount shall be increased in multiples of Rs. 10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand only). For vehicles having a reserve price below Rs. 2,00,000/- (Rupees Two Lakh only), the bid amount shall be increased in multiples of Rs. 3,000/- (Rupees Three Thousand only).

5.The successful bidder shall pay 75% of the purchase price, inclusive of the EMD already deposited, on the same day or on the next working day after completion of the e-auction sale process, in the manner prescribed under Clause 5 above. The balance sale consideration shall be paid within 15 days from the date of acceptance/confirmation of the sale. In case of failure to pay the balance amount within the stipulated period, the Bank shall be entitled to forfeit the amount deposited by the successful bidder.

7.The EMD deposited by the successful bidder shall be adjusted towards the sale consideration, and the EMD deposited by unsuccessful bidders shall be refunded to them.

8.The sale shall be subject to confirmation by the Bank. If the borrower/guarantor repays the entire amount due to the Bank before the date of sale, the sale process shall not be carried out.

9.The vehicles are being sold on an "AS IS WHERE IS", "AS IS WHAT IS" and "WHATEVER THERE IS" basis. Interested bidders shall make independent and confidential enquiries regarding any claims or charges on the vehicles, other than those of the Bank, including charges by any authority, outstanding RTO taxes, insurance dues, etc., and shall satisfy themselves regarding the ownership, title, extent, quality and quantity of the vehicles before submitting their bids. No claims of any nature whatsoever in respect of the vehicles put up for sale, including charges, encumbrances or any other matter relating to the vehicles, shall be entertained after submission of the online bid.

10.The undersigned shall have the absolute right to accept or reject any bid, adjourn or postpone the auction, cancel the auction, or modify the terms and conditions thereof, without any prior notice and without assigning any reason.

11.All stamp duty, charges relating to the sale certificate, registration fees, statutory charges payable to the Government, taxes and all other outstanding and future expenses relating to the property/vehicle shall be borne by the purchaser. The sale certificate shall be issued only in the name of the successful bidder.

12.Interested purchasers may inspect the vehicles at their own cost and expense on the dates and during the time mentioned above, by prior appointment. For inspection of the vehicles, the following authorised officers may be contacted: Mr. Anil Kumar, Chief Manager, Recovery Department, Ratnagiri Zonal Office, Mobile No. 9589743173. Mr. Ritesh Kumar, Officer, Recovery Department, Ratnagiri Zonal Office, Mobile No. 9805873551.

13.Bidders shall be deemed to have read and understood the terms and conditions of sale and shall be bound by the same.

14.The sale shall be subject to the provisions of the SARFAESI Act and the Rules, 2002, and the terms and conditions mentioned herein.

15.Photographs of the vehicles may be provided by e-mail upon request. For obtaining photographs of the vehicles, please send an e-mail to ratnagiri.ard@bankofindia.co.in or contact Mr. Ritesh Kumar, Officer, Recovery Department, Ratnagiri Zonal Office, Mobile No. 9805873551.

16.The Authorised Officer/Bank and the e-auction service provider shall not be held responsible for any internet network issues, power failures or any other technical errors or glitches. To avoid such unforeseen circumstances, prospective bidders are advised to ensure that they are adequately equipped with sufficient power backup and reliable internet connectivity to participate successfully in the e-auction.

17.The Authorised Officer/Bank reserves the absolute right and discretion, without assigning any reason, to accept or reject any or all offers at any stage, suspend, postpone or cancel the e-auction, or withdraw any vehicle from the auction process. The particulars of the secured assets specified in the above schedule have been stated to the best of the knowledge of the Authorised Officer. However, the Authorised Officer shall not be responsible for any error, misstatement or omission in this notice.

18.The sale certificate shall be issued only in the name of the purchaser/applicant and shall not be issued in any other name.

19.Once submitted, a bid shall not be withdrawn or cancelled. All bids submitted through a registered User ID shall be deemed to have been submitted by the registered user concerned.

20.This notice shall also be applicable to the borrower(s), co-borrower(s), guarantor(s) and the public at large.

SALE NOTICE TO BORROWERS/GUARANTORS

This Notice is also to be treated as Statutory sale notice to borrower and Guarantor (L/Rs) Under Rules 8(5) Security Interest (Enforcement), Rule 2002

Dear Sir/Madam,

The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of Bank of India is having full powers to issue this notice of sale and exercise all powers of sale under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and the Rules framed there under. You have committed default in payment of the outstanding dues and interest with monthly rests, costs and charges etc in respect of the advances granted by the bank mentioned above. Hence the bank has issued a Den and Notice to all of you under section 13(2) to pay the above mentioned amount within 50 days. You have failed to pay the amount even after the expiry of 50 days. Therefore, the Authorized Officer, in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13(4), took physical possession of the secured assets, more particularly described in the schedule mentioned above. Notice is hereby given to you to pay the sum as mentioned above before the date fixed for sale, failing which the movable properties will be sold and balance due, if any, will be recovered with interest and cost from you. Please note that all expenses pertaining to den and notice, taking possession, valuation and sale etc. shall be first deducted from the sale proceeds, which may be realized by the undersigned and the balance of the sale proceeds will be appropriated towards your liability as aforesaid. You are also at liberty to participate in the sale to be held on the terms and conditions thereof including deposit of earnest money or may bring suitable buyers.

Place: Ratnagiri
Date: 10.10.2025

SA/-
AUTHORIZED OFFICER,
BANK OF INDIA
NOTICE UNDER SARFAESI ACT, 2002