

**2nd Progress Report of Mithi River Development Works
Up to May 17, 2006 submitted to Hon'ble High Court, Mumbai
(as per the Directives issued on 26th April 2006)**

Mithi River Development and Protection Authority (MRDPA) had proposed to implement the Mithi River Development works in two phases. In the first phase MRDPA had proposed to undertake implementation of immediate action plan to be executed on or before 31st May 2006, so that during the next monsoon, the flooding in low-lying areas surrounding of the Mithi River could be controlled in case of heavy rainfall. As directed by the Hon'ble High Court, Mumbai, the first Progress report was submitted on May 05, 2006. The second Progress report is submitted herewith.

(i) Deepening, widening and de-silting of Mithi River

MRDPA has proposed to dredge/excavate 12,98,000 cu. m of silt/debris/rocks from the entire stretch of Mithi river from Vihar lake to Mahim Causeway through MMRDA and MCGM. MMRDA had appointed three Contractors for dredging/excavation of about 7,40,964 cu. m. of silt/debris/rocks from the stretch from Mahim Causeway to CST bridge. MCGM had appointed eight Contractors for dredging/excavation of about 5,57,000 cu. m. of silt/debris/rocks from the stretch from CST bridge to Vihar lake.

Till May 17, 2006, the total of 7,63,351 cu. m. (59 %) of silt/debris/rocks has been dredged/ excavated by both MMRDA and MCGM. Till May 17, 2006, MMRDA had dredged/ excavated about 3,73,831 cu. m. (out of 7,40,964 cu.m) of silt/debris/rocks from Mithi River and Vakola Nalla and about 2,09,100 cu.m. quantity has been transported to the dumping sites (28 % transported) whereas MCGM had dredged/ excavated about 3,89,520 cu.m. (out of 5,57,000 cu.m) of silt/debris/rocks from Mithi River and about 2,69,160 cu.m. quantity has been transported to the dumping sites (48 % transported). In addition to this MMRDA has excavated about 7000 cu. m. of rock out of 12,000 cu. m. located at Mahim Causeway.

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Out of the three Works (being executed by the three Contractors independently) of MMRDA the progress of work for Work No 3 is found to be poor and balance widening work appears not ^{likely to} be completed on or before 31st May 2006 with present strength of machinery deployed on work. MRDPA had time to time issued notices to take remedial measures to meet the desired targets (such as appointment of Agency on risk and cost basis) for work No. 3. Accordingly, MRDPA have issued the final notice to the concerned Chief Engineer to take immediate action accordingly to ensure completion of targeted work on or before 31st May 2006. The targeted works of are remaining two groups are expected to be completed in time.

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Out of the 8 Groups (being executed by the eight Contractors independently) of MCGM, the progress of work for Group No 1 is found to be poor and balance widening work appears not ^{likely to} be completed on or before 31st May 2006 if immediate

necessary actions are not taken. MRDPA had time to time issued notices to take remedial measures to meet the desired targets. MRDPA have issued the final notice to the concerned Chief Engineer, MCGM to take immediate action accordingly to ensure completion of targeted work on or before 31st May 2006. The targeted works of remaining seven groups are expected to be completed in time.

The works of dredging/ excavation of silt/debris/rocks on the entire stretch of the river are progressing speedily and by employing additional machineries and resources the remaining works are expected to be completed by May 31, 2006. Both the Agencies have assured that the work would be completed by May 31, 2006.

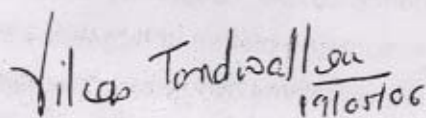
(ii) Resettlement and Rehabilitation of Project affected Persons

The Collector, Mumbai Suburban District had identified that total of about 3522 structures of which 2867 are residential and 655 are commercial/other structures that would be affected within 30 m. width on either side and within the river basin.

MRDPA through MMRDA has till date completed the resettlement of about total of 2121 Project Affected Persons of which 1772 were residential families and 349 were commercial units (of which 178 allotted and remaining 171 allotment letters have been served upon after following due process of law). The resettlement of remaining 97 residential families and 171 commercial units is in progress and would be completed by May 31, 2006.

MRDPA till date with the help of Mumbai suburban Collector, MMRDA, MCGM and Mumbai Police has demolished about 2840 residential structures and 530 commercial structures (Total 3420). The demolition of remaining 27 residential structures and 75 commercial and other structures (Total 102 structures) is in progress and would be completed by May 31, 2006. Out of 3522 structures identified to be affected by the Mithi river project, about 3420 structures have been demolished till May 18, 2006 and out of this about 2000 residential and commercial PAPs have been resettled and rehabilitated successfully.

The rehabilitation of residential PAPs has been done at Tunga village. The rehabilitation of commercial PAPs whose area is less than 225 sq. ft. is being done at Tatanagar, Mankhurd by providing them shops. The Government of Maharashtra has decided to resettle and rehabilitate eligible commercial PAPs whose area is more than 225 sq. ft. on a piece of land / plot in village Turbhe Mandale.


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