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### Editorial

## 334 Indian billionaires along with the philanthropies can chip in for India's sponsoring the 2036 Olympics



*This is the best way to pay back to the country from whom they have achieved this status.*

In the last month's editorial, we had mentioned that as per the AIP-BCG (Accelerate India Philanthropy – Boston controlling group) 90 per cent of ultra-high-net-worth individuals (UNWIs) are not only eager to increase their financial contributions but also to deepen their involvement in terms of advocacy and to ensure lasting impact.

Last month as per Harun latest report there are 334 billionaires in our country. So with these Billionaires and UNWIs, it should not be difficult for India in meeting the high costs of financing the 2036 Olympics in world-class sporting and non-sporting infrastructure etc. thus fulfilling India's offer of sponsorship.

The UNWIs is expected to increase by 50% to 20,000 by 2028 as per the Knight Frank 2024 Wealth projection report and thereafter with 8 more years for the 2036 Olympics, it could go up much more.

Further, Mr. Jay Shah of BCCI has been elected unopposed as Chairman of IOA (International Olympics Association) and would be taking charge on 1st December 2024. Thus with Shah and Nita Ambani who was elected as individual member of IOA along with the UNWIs and billionaires, it will not be difficult for India to successfully conduct the 2036 Olympics.

This will be a big boost to our Prime Minister's offer to sponsor. It is now for the Prime Minister, government of India and the sports ministry to take this forward to its logical conclusion!

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## BMC's Efforts to combat monsoon related diseases



Zahida Banatwala, AGNI Trustee

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All of the K West Ward of BMC, has been reeling with citizens suffering from monsoon related diseases. It came as a pleasant surprise that a WhatsApp group was created by the BMC PCO to include all ALM members at the meeting, a group created by Shri Sanjeev Mudras.

While many ALM members



could not attend due to various reasons, the ones that did attend were

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## Mumbai MLA report card: Amin Patel tops scoreboard while Nawab Malik stands last in performance

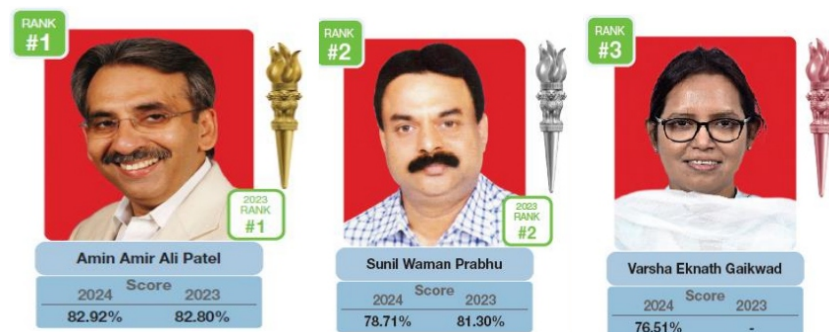


Dhairya Gajara

*The MLA Report Card highlighted that the 14th Assembly worked for only 119 days, which is 43% lower than 210 working days in the 12th Assembly.*

Amin Patel has been ranked as the top performing Members of Legislative Assembly (MLA) in Mumbai for the third

MLAs, corporators and bureaucrats for over a decade. Recently, the organisation released its 12th Mumbai MLA Report Card which assessed



consecutive year with 82.92% score in the latest MLA Report Card released by the Praja Foundation. On the other hand, Nawab Malik has been ranked at the bottom with only 18% score. The MLA Report Card highlighted that the 14th Assembly worked

the performance of MLAs over the last year from budget session 2023 to budget session 2024. The report card also assessed the consolidated performance of MLAs who served a minimum of three years in the assembly as well as the overall productivity of the

Parameter	Marks Allocated
Legislative Performance <sup>1</sup> (Attendance, No. & Quality of Questions, utilisation of Area Development Fund)	87
MLA Profile <sup>2</sup> (Education qualification, PAN Card, Criminal cases)	13
Negative Marking for new FIR cases after 2019 election <sup>3</sup>	Minus 5
Negative Marking for pending Charge Sheet <sup>3</sup>	Minus 5
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>

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Praja Foundation, which has been working towards enabling accountable governance, through its wide array of initiatives, has been releasing report cards for

14th Maharashtra State Assembly.

According to the report card, Indian National Congress' Amin Patel from Mumbai North West constituency scored the top position for the third consecutive year with a score of 82.92%.

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## BMC launches green tags pilot project in Malabar Hill to boost waste segregation and improve management

 [SHEFALI PARAB-PANDIT](#)

**Mumbai generates 6,300 to 6,500 metric tonnes of waste daily. In 2017, the BMC ordered all housing societies and commercial establishments larger than 20,000 square metres or those producing more than 100 kg of wet waste (bulk generators) to start segregating and composting waste in their premises.**

To boost waste segregation, the BMC is launching a pilot project in 100 societies along Malabar Hill, starting with GreenTags (QR codes) placed at societies garbage rooms. This three-month initiative will monitor segregation at the source, aiming to improve waste management. Based on its success, the model may be extended to other areas, said a civic official.

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However, fewer than 50% of societies comply with civic rules, and the BMC continues to struggle with getting many bulk



generators to treat waste at source. Public apathy has also hampered the BMC's efforts to achieve its waste management goals for 2030.

He further added that, "The project aims to separate wet waste for composting and dry waste for recycling at BMC's Material Recovery Facility (MRF). The data collected will enhance training for residents and house keeping teams, improve compliance with SWM Rules, and refine waste management strategies, with a focus on reducing mixed waste and handling hard-to-recycle items effectively." "A trial will be conducted in 100 housing societies in **contd. on Page 3**

## Govandi residents pen open letter to political parties & cCandidates

 [Dhairya Gajara](#)

**The open letter to all political parties and independent candidates willing to contest the upcoming polls from Mankhurd-Shivaji Nagar constituency, has laid down the residents' desired quality and criteria of candidates along with a citizens' charter comprising of the challenges in the constituency.**

Govandi residents penned down an open letter expressing their requirements in their Vidhan Sabha representative. Amid the residents' long standing opposition against the sitting member of legislative assembly Abu Asim Azmi. The open letter to all political parties and independent candidates willing to contest the upcoming polls from Mankhurd-Shivaji Nagar constituency, has laid down the

residents' desired quality and criteria of candidates along with a citizens' charter comprising of the challenges in the constituency.

The Govandi Citizens Welfare Forum and Govandi Democratic Front have been demanding a local candidate to represent the constituency in the Vidhan Sabha. The locals have also been opposing MLA Abu Asim Azmi alleging his inefficiency to solve the issues of the locality. **Contd. on Page 3**

Stories of Good Governance

Hospital Healthcare Delivery

## Super Quick Admission and Treatment Part 2

 [Shrikant Soman, AGNI Trustee](#)

In the previous article, we have seen the impact of the (apparently) bureaucratic admission process in the delay in starting the medical treatment of the patient. There is a valid reason and rationale for this process, though unfortunately the public perception of it is negative. At the same time, it is of utmost importance to start the medical treatment as fast as possible - sometimes even with serious repercussions in the recovery of the patient. There is no golden solution to this problem as it is inherent in the management of healthcare. However, a considerable improvement can be made and the time gap between the point when the patient first steps in the hospital and the point when his actual medical treatment starts can be very substantially reduced by applying a smart system. At present this delay is between one hour to two hours - sometimes even up to four we hours in even the celebrity hospitals. With the application of smart systems and imbibing all the staff attending to this process with a deep rooted commitment and passion for speedier medical treatment, we were able to reduce this window period to just 10 to 15 minutes, without compromising on the quality of medical treatment.

To start with, we did time and motion study with the help of CCTV Cameras. We also monitored the conversation of the patient relatives with the front office staff. Then we identified the

delay reasons - it ranged from the availability of wheelchair/stretchers, availability of the ward boy, long queue at the front desk, availability of the elevator to the availability of the bed or the cleaning of the bed after the earlier patient has been discharged.

We then took following steps:

1. Appointment of front lobby manager to minutely supervise and push for admission of new patients at every stage.
2. Designing of the short admission form with only a minimum of the essential details. The full regular form will be filled within 4 hours after the admission.
3. Allotment of the temporary alternate bed in the event of the designated bed not immediately available.
4. Availability of spare wheelchairs and stretchers and quick reallocation of these items from other locations in the event of urgency. Fixing intercoms in elevators and giving super priority to the incoming patients by calling the elevator operator to immediately come to the ground floor.
5. Availability of ward boys from other locations after fully training them as standby in the event of the regular ward boys being busy in attending to other admissions.
6. Reallocation of RMO with the help of a dynamic computer model for giving priority to the newly admitted patients and superfast communication system.
7. Alerting the Medical Consultants about the admission of new patients under their care and closely monitoring **contd. on Page 4**

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Residents of Sion fight a lonely six-year battle

Rucha Kanolkar

Gandhi Market, a clothing marketplace situated within the Kalyan Apartment in Sion (East), has been beset by encroachment issues for the past six years. Despite submitting numerous complaints to the F North Ward office, Sion police station, and the former corporator of Ward 172, the apartment's tenants have been met with silence and dismissal. Fifteen tenants have signed a collective petition, and have been doggedly pursuing their case for six years. The tenants of Kalyan apartments and the Mumbai North Central District Forum (MNCDF) have taken up this issue. The lack of action by the authorities has created a sense of desperation among tenants. The situation is exacerbated by the fact that the BMC itself has filed a case against illegal hawkers. A resident said, "We have been



plagued by the presence of hawkers for an extended period, but now they have commandeered our very building compound. The owner of the garage within our edifice has illicitly transformed building compound into eight shops, with rent being exacted from the vendors. The BMC's inaction is palpable, and we are convinced that they are complicit in the scheme, receiving hafta in the process. Moreover, it appears that the police, BMC officials, and local politicians are all entangled." Another resident said, "Despite filing five complaints over six

BMC's Efforts to combat monsoon related diseases

contd. from Page 1 full of praise for the effort taken to hold the meeting and create awareness with a power point presentation says, Geseta Kadam, Founder/Secretary "My sincere appreciation to the BMC for taking the ongoing issue of dengue/malaria and chikungunya in our city. During the meeting with all ALM members of K west ward, special thanks goes to Mr. Sanjeev Mudras from the PCO department and Dr. Vaishali Khade of MOH for answering all our queries and for the impactful demonstration with live mosquito larvae. The short reels and the live demonstration were incredibly informative, playing a crucial role in raising Awareness within our community. Additionally, the app of MCGM - Mumbai against Dengue, which allows us to post data



with ease, was particularly helpful and will undoubtedly enhance our ability to contribute to this important cause. Their proactive efforts are truly commendable and essential in keeping our city safe and healthy. Thank you for your continued dedication and we look forward to many more of such interactive sessions in future. - 58 Residents ALM" At Least one can say that the BMC has put in efforts to create awareness, now it is up to the citizens, to take responsible steps to eliminate the risk of getting infected by such diseases. That ongoing construction sites are a breeding place of mosquitoes cannot be ruled out and has to be monitored.

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Govandi Residents Pen Open Letter

Contd. from Page 2 On Saturday, the residents' association released an open letter laying down their demands of the qualities desired in their Vidhan Sabha candidates. Based on the opinion of voters, civil society groups, citizen forums and citizen welfare associations, the letter has laid down a long list of qualities, criteria's, measurements and standards that they wish to see in their candidate. The letter demands ethical standards, proven effectiveness, community engagement, policy and vision, communication and leadership and inclusivity from their candidates. Moreover, it also demands that the candidate should be a youth who is educated, non-corrupt, non-criminal, non-rich, down to earth, rational, honest, public centric

years, BMC has done nothing to address the illegal encroachment. We tolerated their takeover of adjacent footpaths, but now they've seized our compound, turning it into a cesspool of filth and disease. Stagnant water from their tarpaulin-covered stalls has led to multiple dengue cases, including my mother's. Another resident accused the BMC of colluding with the stall operators, claiming that whenever they file a complaint, the BMC tips off the shopkeepers to keep their shops closed on inspection days. My daughter was hospitalised in ICU with dengue, all because of the mosquito infestation from these illegal shops surrounding our society," a female resident said.

Advocate Trivankumar, founder and spokesperson of MNCDF, stated "This situation violates residents' Fundamental Rights under Article 21 of the Constitution, particularly affecting the residents and children whose society compound has been unlawfully occupied. The local ward's encroachment officer should ensure the police register an FIR under Section 112 of the new BNS law and take action.

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and a local resident. The letter also states that measurements and standards of candidates will be assessed through background checks, public records and previous work, community feedback, media analysis, debates and public forums as well as surveys and forms. The open letter also listed out the challenges being faced by the constituency which the locals expect solutions from their candidate. It includes slum conditions, healthcare deficiencies, education gaps, unemployment and economic opportunities, infrastructure, public safety and crime, environment, administration, engagement with constituents and public transport. The open letter also listed out the challenges being faced by the constituency which the locals expect solutions from their candidate. It includes slum conditions, healthcare deficiencies, education gaps, unemployment and economic opportunities, infrastructure, public safety and crime, environment, administration, engagement with constituents and public transport. "This time, voters in Mankhurd Shivaji Nagar Assembly Constituency have opted to vote solely for local capable leaders; they will not tolerate outside candidates at all; the entire and sole mandate of voting is the assembly's development and growth. Instead of casteism, nihilism, or regionalism, as seen in North Indian or so-called Muslim national leaders or any other famous name, locals prefer candidates who are true locals, not outsiders," read the letter.

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Malabar Hill project

contd. from Page 2 Malabar Hill and Bhuleshwar. QR codes will be placed at waste collection points to monitor segregation. Company staff will scan these codes to ensure proper sorting and provide feedback. If segregation issues continue, the project will extend to individual households with QR-coded waste bags for tracking. Successful results will lead to a city-wide rollout across all 24 wards, with detailed documentation of the process," said a senior civic official.

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Mumbai MLA report card

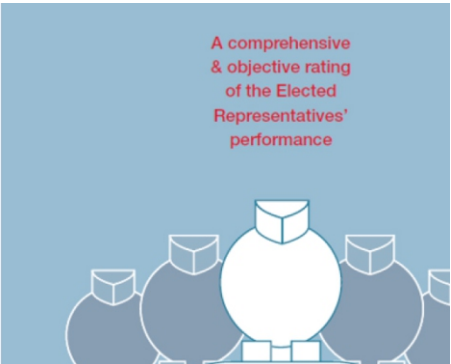
contd. from Page 1 Patel was ranked first for attendance in the assembly as well as for his clean criminal record, whereas he was ranked second for the number of questions asked in

utilisation of area development funds as well as MLA profile that includes education qualification, criminal cases and financial records.



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the assembly and the quality of those questions. Patel is the only MLA out of the total 34 MLAs to achieve a score above 80% in 2024.

Similarly, Shiv Sena (UBT)'s Sunil Waman Prabhu from Dindoshi constituency was ranked second with 78.71% score and INC's Varsha Gaikwad followed them for the third rank with 76.51%. The highest ranking MLAs also included Bharatiya Janata Party's Manisha Chaudhary from Dahisar constituency and INC's Aslam Shaikh from Malad constituency. The MLAs are ranked on the basis of their legislative performance that includes attendance, number and quality of questions,

The report also highlighted the five lowest ranking MLAs which included Nationalist Congress Party's Nawab Malik from Anushakti Nagar at the bottom with 18%, Shiv Sena's Sadanand Sarvankar from Mahim with 27.27%, Shiv Sena's Prakash Surve from Magathane with 29.82%, Shiv Sena's Dilip Lande from Chandivali with 31.26% and BJP's Ramchandra Kadam from Ghatkopar (W) with 33.07% score. The examination of the performance of ►

► political parties based on the performance of their MLAs revealed that the INC ranked first with 72.56%, followed by BJP with 60.08%.

Milind Mhaske, CEO of Praja Foundation, said, "There has been a noticeable decline in the overall performance. This trend is particularly troubling, given the challenges that the state has faced in recent years. The most significant decline is observed in the performance of the five lowest-scoring MLAs, who averaged a score of 48.13% in the 13th Assembly which dropped further to 34.18% in the 14th Assembly. This fall in performance is worrying, as it indicates that these MLAs are not fulfilling their constitutional roles as representatives of the people."

The report card also highlighted that the 14th Assembly worked for only 119 days with a 43% decrease in comparison to the 12th assembly, which worked for a total of 210 days. Following the decrease in working ►

Hospital Healthcare Delivery Part 2

contd. from Page 2 their response time. This was rather a diplomatically difficult part, but we managed to persuade and convince them.

8. Development of a computerized model for measuring the performance of different departments in terms of their response time and rewarding the best performers.

9. Friendly chat with patients and their relatives during their hospital stay by our specially trained PRE - Patient Relations Executives to get their feedback about their experience at the time of hospital admission. This gave us valuable inputs about the actual ground reality from the perspectives of the patients.

I am happy to say that as a combined effect of all the above measures, we were able to achieve very astonishing results in terms of superfast patient admission and medical treatment.

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► days, the number of questions asked by the legislators also declined by 73% from 40,512 in the 12th Assembly to 11,132 in the 14th Assembly. However, the attendance of the MLAs in the assembly sessions was averaged at 89%. Praja's report also cited PRS Legislative Research's report which said that Maharashtra assembly stood 7th in terms of number of working days amongst 19 state assemblies from 2020 to 2023.

Eknath Pawar, Associate Manager of Praja Foundation, said, "While the COVID-19 pandemic undoubtedly affected the functioning and resulted in fewer deliberations. However, the average attendance during this period was recorded at 93%, which hints that the MLAs were more active during the pandemic. We believe that the scope of these deliberations should have been expanded during this period if needed by leveraging technology. Increased legislative activity during the pandemic would have ensured a more comprehensive and effective crisis response."

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