

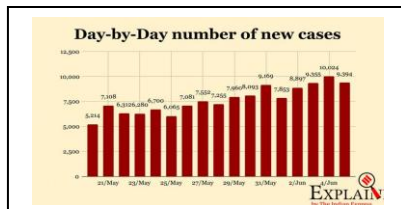
## Bangalore Apartments' Federation Newsletter

Volume 4, Issue 2, May 2020

Dear Apartment Resident,

**April & May 2020 was a month of serial Lockdowns due to COVID19 Pandemic** We do hope all members and their communities navigated the Lock down 2, 3 and 4 during the 2 months, doing new things as well through BAF initiatives & platforms. As we look further to relaxations of Lockdown- we caution members to stay safe and adhere to all preventive measures.

We also hope all RWA MCs have made best use of BAF bulletins to interpret and implement Lockdown advisories from the government. A quick look at the statistics below – show the alarming rate of increase of covid cases despite all our best efforts of prevention. And we should continue to exercise caution & do follow advisories to contain the covid spread.



AT End of Phase	Covid Cases India
LockDown1 (By April 14 <sup>th</sup> )	11,485
LockDown1 (By May 3 <sup>rd</sup> )	42,778
LockDown1 (By May 17 <sup>th</sup> )	95,698
LockDown1 (By May 31 <sup>st</sup> )	1,82,143



We do hope all members have visited our microsite for updates on various matters affected by COVID19 – be it guidelines, government notifications, BESCOM payments, virtual meeting advisories, e-filings and so on.

The following activities highlight the crucial role played by BAF to navigate members through this Lockdown base and also provide support to GoK in these crucial times

1. **BAF ki BAAT** gained momentum in the viewership. All sessions were virtual sessions on a technology platform
2. **BAF bulletins** deciphered the MoFW & GoK advisories, making it simple for RWAs to understand and implement the government guidelines during COVIS.
3. There was **continuous engagement with BBMP** and other officials on covid advisory and other support. The role played by BAF was acknowledged & appreciated by all departments.
4. **BAF Essentials Supply Exchange – BESFEX program continued further with partnerships with HOPCOMS, State Mango Board, Direct farmers, as also supporting various distressed corporate.** BAF directory listings continued to be used by members and non members alike.
5. Covid Microsite also captured member stories on how they engaged and supported their own as well as the less privileged in their neighborhood
6. **Highlight of the month was a BAF partnership with a GoK supported pilot program on Covid Fever Clinic** (with ICMR & NABL accredited labs) which brought health camps to member doorstep. Objective was to screen on covid symptoms in community & provide health consultation under the safe environment of member premises. This initiative saw all more than 30 member communities conduct health camps & bring consultation and health check-ups in apartment premises. We hope to continue the program under favorable BESFEX terms.
7. **BAF also partnered with NIMHANS** with a survey tool to enable community risk assessment from COVID 19.
8. BAF GC & other members were invited and attended various **Video conferences with Mayor, DY CM, MPs etc** on various citizen related topics , as well as **industry webinars on RWA interest topics (STP/fire safety/RERA/Facility management etc)**
9. **BAF team also visited KSPCB** on issue of Rs 5 lakh penalty notices & hearings called by the new KSPCB chairman & Member secretary. The hearings were urged to be deferred in lieu of covid.
10. Regular **EC & GC meetings were conducted virtually with great participation.** New cluster leadership teams were formed for all clusters for better engagement, learnings, sharings, support & networkings across all members

**STAY HOME-STAY SAFE-STEP OUT ONLY WHEN REQUIRED**

Cheers!

Team BAF!

Newsletter Also @ <https://baf.org.in/newsletters>,

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## BAF IN THE NEWS.....



### **Housejoy, in partnership with 5 major firms, sets up COVID Testing Camps**

*May 11, 2020*

In a first of its kind partnership, leading private players including tech-driven construction, renovation, interiors, and home maintenance company Housejoy, home healthcare brand Portea Medical, diagnostics provider SRL Diagnostics, apartment management, and security solutions provider ApnaComplex, **Bangalore Apartment's Federation (BAF)**, and ICMR accredited national clinical reference lab Biognosys Technologies have come together to set up COVID-19 Testing Camps across Bengaluru.

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### **SRL Diagnostics Joins Hand with Housejoy to Launch Mobile Health Clinic Vans in Bengaluru**

*Mar 13, 2020*

Housejoy has also partnered with healthcare brands like Portea Medical, ApnaComplex, **Bangalore Apartment's Federation (BAF)** and ICMR accredited national clinical reference lab Biognosys Technologies to set up COVID-19 Testing Camps across Bengaluru. This initiative has been launched in association with the Government of Karnataka and Action COVID Team (ACT) Grants and was inaugurated by Chief Minister B. S. Yediyurappa.

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## BAF IN THE NEWS.....

### **Bengaluru to use remodelled KSRTC buses as mobile fever clinics**

*May 12, 2020*

Karnataka Chief Minister BS Yediyurappa on Monday launched mobile fever clinics built from remodelled KSRTC buses for Covid-19 tests in the city. Developed by Bengaluru South MP Tejasvi Surya's team, the mobile fever clinic or mobile health checkup camp, can also conduct blood and protein count tests out of the same facility, said a press release.

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### **What Lockdown 4.0 relaxations mean for Bengaluru**

*May 21, 2020*

Based on orders by the Centre's Ministry of Home Affairs on May 17, Karnataka government [issued an order](#) on lockdown measures applicable in the state till May 31. Here are the key highlights, as summarised by the Bangalore Apartments' Federation (BAF).

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## House help resume work in apartments amid strict safety protocols.

May 25, 2020

Among the many relaxations listed out for lockdown 4.0, is that of allowing domestic help to resume work at homes. The BBMP has asked Resident Welfare Associations (RWAs) to allow them, but provided certain protocols are in place, such as verifying whether they reside in a green, orange or red zone, in addition to regular lockdown protocol like mandatory temperature checks and the use of masks, gloves and sanitizer.

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## Role of RWAs to increase in containing the spread of COVID-19

Jun 03, 2020

### But there are fears among residents about unnecessary and restrictive rules

Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) Commissioner B. H. Anil Kumar and senior civic officials held a video conference with representatives of various RWAs on Wednesdays to discuss their continued involvement in containing the spread of COVID-19 and ensuring that people follow home quarantine rules.

Vikram Rai of Bangalore Apartments' Federation (BAF) said that to avoid such incidents and unnecessary panic, the federation has been issuing advisories to their member apartments based on the guidelines of the Union and State governments.

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## RWAs causing animal cruelty during COVID-19: PIL

Jun 09, 2020

Angry over the alleged interference in animal ownership, animal activists have moved the high court against the Residents' Welfare Associations (RWAs). Compassion Unlimited Plus Action (CUPA), an animal welfare group, has filed a public interest litigation petition in the high court in this regard. The petitioner stated that it had been receiving many complaints from apartment dwellers about the RWAs imposing ban on keeping pets, preventing pets from using common amenities, animal animal feeders being harassed and abused, that the feeding of strays had been banned.

However, that there had been animal cruelty at apartments over COVID-19 concerns was news to Vikram Rai, General Council member, Bangalore Apartments Federation (BAF), who nevertheless added that human-animal conflicts had been persistent for several years now. "The BAF has existing guidelines about pet ownership," Rai said, clarifying it was illegal for the RWAs or AOA to ban the keeping of pet dogs, even if done by consensus.

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**BANGALORE APARTMENTS' FEDERATION**

**FOR LATEST COVID ADVISORY:**



**Ministry Of Health & Family Welfare**

**All India Advisory & Dashboards:**

<https://www.mohfw.gov.in/>

**Karnataka Advisory & Dashboards:**

<https://karnataka.gov.in/english>

<https://covid19.karnataka.gov.in/english>

<http://covid19dashboard.karnataka.gov.in/>

<http://bbmp.gov.in/en/web/guest/covid-19>

<https://www.who.int/>

Department of Health and Family Welfare

**COVID-19 (nCoronavirus)**  
**DO NOT PANIC**  
**BE AWARE**

**EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW**

**COVID-19 (nCoronavirus)** An infection with Coronavirus typically affects the respiratory tract of mammals including humans. The virus originated in Wuhan City, China.

**SYMPTOMS**

- Fever
- Headache
- Cold & Cough
- Difficulty in Breathing
- Diarrhoea

**MODE OF TRANSMISSION**

- Through air by coughing & sneezing
- By close contact, such as shaking hands or touching an infected person
- Touching objects an infected person has handled
- Touching of eyes, nose & mouth with unclean hands after contact with infected person

**RECOMMENDATIONS FOR GENERAL PUBLIC**

- Wash your hands with soap & water
- Avoid touching eyes, nose, mouth with unclean hands
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick
- Use handkerchief or tissue paper while coughing & sneezing
- If you are concerned about your symptoms, you should see healthcare provider
- If you are mildly sick, keep yourself hydrated, stay at home and take rest

For more information contact nearest Government Hospital or Call Health Helpline 104

Health For All, Health Everywhere



**BANGALORE APARTMENTS' FEDERATION**

**BAF digital touch-points as below:**

- Covid-19 microsite: <https://baf.org.in/covid-19/baf-guidelines>
- Twitter : <https://twitter.com/bafblr>
- FB Page: <https://www.facebook.com/BangaloreApartmentsFederation/>
- YouTube Channel: BAF Ki BAAT <http://youtube.com/c/bafbangalore>

**CORONA WATCH**

Situation at 8:00 am on May 27 State / UT-wise position in India

(↑ ↓ Change over the last 24 hours)

	Confirmed cases	Recovered	Deaths	Active cases
<b>Confirmed cases</b>				
1,51,767 (↑ 6,387)				
<b>Recovered</b>				
64,426 (↑ 3,935)				
<b>Deaths</b>				
4,337 (↑ 170)				
<b>Active cases</b>				
83,004 (↑ 2,282)				
<b>Confirmed cases</b>				
Maharashtra	54,758	16,954	1,792	36,012 ↑ 826
Tamil Nadu	17,728	9,342	127	8,259 ↑ 26
Gujarat	14,821	7,139	915	6,767 ↓ 169
Delhi	14,465	7,223	288	6,954 ↓ 52
Rajasthan	7,536	4,171	170	3,195 ↑ 13
Madhya Pradesh	7,024	3,689	305	3,030 ↓ 42
Uttar Pradesh	6,548	3,698	170	2,680 ↓ 106
West Bengal	4,009	1,486	283	2,240 ↑ 116
Andhra Pradesh	3,171	2,009	57	1,105 ↓ 53
Bihar	2,983	900	13	2,070 ↑ 102
Karnataka	2,283	748	44	1,491 ↑ 58
Punjab	2,106	1,918	40	148 ↑ 26
Telangana	1,991	1,284	57	650 ↓ 50
Jammu and Kashmir	1,759	833	24	902 ↑ 66
Odisha	1,517	733	7	777 ↓ 5
Haryana	1,305	824	17	464 ↑ 61
Kerala	963	542	6	415 ↑ 56
Assam	616	62	4	550 ↑ 90
Jharkhand	426	175	4	247 ↑ 22
Uttarakhand	401	64	4	333 ↑ 45
Chhattisgarh	361	79	0	282 ↑ 63
Chandigarh	266	187	4	75 ↑ 26
Himachal Pradesh	247	67	5	175 ↑ 24
Tripura	207	165	0	42 ↑ 13
Goa	67	28	0	39 ↓ 9
Ladakh	53	43	0	10 ↑ 1
Puducherry	46	12	0	34 ↓ 5
Manipur	39	4	0	35
A&N Islands	33	33	0	0
Meghalaya	15	12	1	2 ↑ 1
Nagaland	4	0	0	4 ↑ 1
Arunachal Pradesh	2	1	0	1
Dadar Nagar Haveli	2	0	0	2
Mizoram	1	1	0	0
Sikkim	1	0	0	1
<b>Total samples tested</b>				
32,42,160 (↑ 1,16,041)				

4,013 cases being reassigned to states | More than 70% deaths due to comorbidities | One migrated case included in recovered figures are subject to further reconciliation

Source: Ministry of Health and Family Welfare & ICMR



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## REST OF THE NEWS....

### Two years, one lakh wells: Can 'Million Wells' movement help solve Bengaluru's water crisis?

May 12, 2020

In 2018, Raghuram C G, a software program manager at Adobe, got a recharge well dug in his plot in Vidyaranyapura. "Rainwater falling in the plot gets channelised into the recharge well. The 15-ft well is now filled up to 10-11 ft, and has around 2000 litres of water. I've been building a house in the plot, and water from the well is used for all construction needs." Raghuram built the well after being inspired by 'A Million Wells for Bengaluru' movement.

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### Karnataka: Peenya industries behind Bengaluru's poor air, say experts

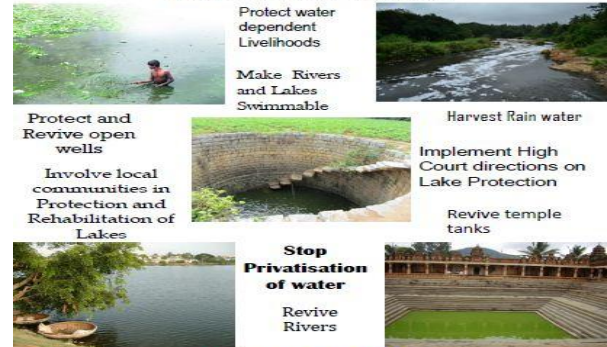
May 12, 2020

Established in the late 1970s by the Karnataka Small Industries Development Corporation, Bengaluru's Peenya industrial area is one of the oldest and largest industrial areas in south-east Asia. However, the concentration of industrial establishments has contributed to high air pollution in the area. With over 2,000 industries in the area, the Peenya industrial cluster is declared as severely polluted area and stands at 32nd position with a Comprehensive Environmental Pollution Index (CEPI) overall score of 65.11 (50-70 means severely polluted) and air pollution score of 56.

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## REST OF THE NEWS....

### Workshop Rejuvenating Lakes, Rivers and Wells to make Bangalore Water Secure Wednesday, 24<sup>th</sup> April 2013



Protect water dependent Livelihoods  
Make Rivers and Lakes Swimmable

Protect and Revive open wells

Involve local communities in Protection and Rehabilitation of Lakes

Stop Privatisation of water  
Revive Rivers

Harvest Rain water  
Implement High Court directions on Lake Protection

Revive temple tanks

To register, email [shashi@esgindia.org](mailto:shashi@esgindia.org)  
Suggested Workshop Contribution: Rs. 200 per person

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### Karnataka cabinet approves ordinance to regularise illegal BDA properties

May 14, 2020

The Karnataka cabinet on Thursday approved an ordinance aimed at regularising an estimated 75,000 unauthorized properties on the Bangalore Development Authority (BDA) land, by levying a penalty. According to an estimate, these unauthorized properties are located on about 6000 acres of BDA land, Law and Parliamentary Affairs Minister J C Madhuswamy said.

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### Coordination must to carry forward reduced pollution: Mayor Goutham Kumar.

May 20, 2020

The BBMP is putting in place a mechanism to maintain a significant reduction in air and water pollution across the city during the COVID-19 lockdown. Mayor Goutham Kumar held a meeting with officials of the KSPCB, BDA, BWSSB and BBMP, where he called for greater coordination among the agencies.

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## Ministry of corporate affairs rolls out relief measures

May 20, 2020

The Ministry of Corporate Affairs (MCA) has sought to ease the compliance burden of companies and limited liability partnerships (LLPs) facing challenges posed by COVID-19, with general circular No 11, dated 24 March 2020, addressing and relaxing certain routine compliance rules and requirements under the [Companies Act](#), 2013.

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## High court to KSPCB: How will you keep lakes clean?

May 21, 2020

The high court on Wednesday directed Karnataka State Pollution Control Board to submit a statement on the steps it will take to keep Bellandur, Varthur lakes and Vrishabhavathi river as clean as they have been during the lockdown period.

“Pollution appears to be nearly zero due to the lockdown. It is a proof that pollution was due to effluents. Perhaps the only benefit from coronavirus is to have an environment like this,” a division bench headed by chief justice Abhay Shreeniwas Oka observed.

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## BBMP receives 150 tree fall complaints after rains lash Bengaluru

May 25, 2020

Heavy rains accompanied by gusty winds toppled trees and left several areas waterlogged on Sunday evening. More than 150 complaints of tree fall or falling of branches were received from the south and west divisions. Officials said there were no casualties.

Complaints of tree fall were received from Jayanagar, Basavanagudi, HSR Layout, BTM Layout, Kengeri, Rajarajeshwarinagar, Shantinagar, HAL, Koramangala, Bommanahalli, Begur, Singasandra and other areas, while similar complaints also came in from Yeshwantpur, Yelahanka, Rajajinagar and Basaveshwaranagar.

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## Amid coronavirus pandemic, BBMP nets Rs 1,028 property tax.

May 27, 2020

The BBMP has collected Rs 1,028 crore property tax, reaching 42 per cent of its target for this financial year, in the last two months characterised by the fear over COVID-19 pandemic and the lockdown.

The BBMP had previously extended the last date for availing 5 per cent rebate on property tax from end of April to May. Property owners have the last four days to avail the benefit.

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## Torrential rain uproots 50 trees and 40 electricity poles, cuts power supply in Bengaluru.

May 27, 2020

Heavy rains, coupled with thunder, lightning and gusty winds, lashed Bengaluru and the surrounding districts on Tuesday, bringing down dozens of trees, electricity poles and flooding low-lying streets. While several parts of Karnataka received light to moderate rainfall, Bengaluru Urban, Bengaluru Rural, Ramanagara and Tumakuru received heavy showers towards the evening. Bengaluru city alone received 29 mm of rainfall until 9 pm, according to the India Meteorological Department (IMD).

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## Online AGMs: A one-time affair, or a new beginning?

May 28, 2020

Ashalata Maheshwari has been attending annual general meetings of companies as an investor for over six decades and is known for her 'shayaris'. But this year, for the first time in her life, the octogenarian may have to recite her shayaris on webcam as many large companies plan to hold their AGMs through videoconferencing.

The corporate affairs ministry had last month allowed companies to hold their AGMs and extraordinary general meetings (EGMs) through videoconference or other audio visual means due to Covid-19 outbreak. As per the Companies Act, 2013, companies must hold AGM within six months from the closure of the previous financial year and not beyond 15 month of the last AGM.

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## The Corona busters: Meet these 4 BBMP officers who are keeping Covid-19 at bay.

May 28, 2020

Centre finds 'Bengaluru' model worth emulating; these four officers of the BBMP are the ones keeping Covid-19 at bay. So far, over 27,680 people have taken the Covid-19 test in the City, and only about 0.1% have tested positive for the infection. Many metropolitan cities including Mumbai, New Delhi and Chennai have outnumbered Bengaluru in terms of Covid-19 positive patients. At least two districts in Karnataka have more active cases than the state's most populated district. So, what is the reason behind Bengaluru's sustained low numbers?

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## HC to KSPCB: Place on record pollution measurements of Bellandur and Varthur lakes.

May 29, 2020

The Karnataka high court on Friday directed the Karnataka State Pollution Control Board (KSPCB) to place on record by next Tuesday the report on the level of pollution measured in Bellandur and Varthur lakes.

A division bench headed by Chief Justice Abhay Shreeniwas Oka also directed BDA to state whether roads are being constructed within the buffer zone of these lakes.

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## **Coronavirus: How Bengaluru kept its case count under check**

*Jun 02, 2020*

When Bengaluru's civic body, Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP), decided to seal two large localities in early April, it was met with criticism and resistance.

The decision to seal Padarayanapura and Bapuji Nagar--with around 40,000 people--on 10 April may have set a template that saved the city from the rapid spread of the coronavirus, compared to Mumbai, Chennai, New Delhi or even New York, among others, said municipal authorities in Bengaluru.

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## **Bengaluru man saves 1 lakh litres of water every year, Offers his services for free**

*Jun 04, 2020*

Centuries ago, when the city of Bengaluru was founded by Kempegowda, it was a crown jewel of the state of Karnataka, endowed with beautiful lakes and gardens. But, the present reality cannot be farther from the past.

After years of urbanization, poor water management, pollution and an accelerated population, Bengaluru has become a city of traffic and concrete, languishing in falling groundwater levels, toxic frothing lakes and dry taps.

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## **Coronavirus: for a population of 12-crore, why bengaluru has only 300 covid cases.**

*Jun 04, 2020*

For a population of approximately 1.2 crores, Bengaluru city has had just 385 reported cases of COVID-19 infections as of 1<sup>st</sup> Jun, way less than what cities like Chennai and Mumbai report in a single day. In comparison, Chennai has 15770 cases, Mumbai has 40,877 cases and New Delhi has 20,834 cases.

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## **Is your neighbourhood at risk of flooding this monsoon?**

*Jun 05, 2020*

While providing much-needed relief from the heat, the monsoon also cripples Bengaluru with a whole lot of problems every year. Top among them are flooding of roads and clogging of stormwater drains.

On June 1, the state government published a list of eight teams – one for each of the eight BBMP zones – to prepare for and respond to this year's monsoon. The teams have members from six departments – Forest, BESCO, Fire and Emergency Services, BWSSB, BBMP and Traffic Police.

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## Better lake than ever?

Jun 06, 2020

Frothing for years that seemed like eternity, the city's Bellandur and Varthur lakes had zoomed to notoriety hitting global headlines. But post-lockdown, as a much-delayed de-silting drive is on, a probing query remains disturbingly raw: What stops the original polluters from repeating it once the costly clean-up ends?

Spot visits by a DH team showed the de-silting operation accelerating after the lockdown. Over 15 earth-movers were inside the Varthur lake, scooping out mounds of silt accumulated over decades. Pulled up for inaction by the National Greens Tribunal (NGT), the operation had to pick up pace.

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## Fix lakes through transparent, multi-stakeholder collaborations.

Jun 06, 2020

One more World Environment Day has come and gone. But we are still lagging far behind in addressing the actual causes of the pollution problem, manifested so starkly in our lakes.

The Covid-19 lockdown did show lakes in a less polluted avatar at least from the exterior, and Bellandur and Varthur lakes were no different. Apartment residents who were levied hefty penalties for not setting up Sewage Treatment Plants (STPs) points this out to contend that the pollution is mainly caused by industrial effluents.

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## 21 Notable Judgments/Orders Delivered By Courts During COVID-19 Lockdown

Jun 07, 2020

The outbreak of COVID 19 pandemic has resulted in lockdown across the country in all spheres of activities. However, even during such challenging times, the judiciary has continued its function by evolving to a virtual system of adjudication. The present articles summarizes some of the orders passed by the supreme court and various high courts during the first phase of lockdown

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## India's rapid approval of projects that cut through protected forests amid lockdown sparks concerns

Jun 08, 2020

BANGALORE - India's Environment Ministry has been taking momentous decisions about large-scale industrial projects over short video calls as officials take their work online amid the country's lockdown. The sweeping changes have alarmed climate change experts.

Official expert panels that advise the government on whether to clear industrial projects based on their potential harm to the environment, forests and wildlife have been doing their work online since the lockdown to prevent the spread of the coronavirus began on March 25.

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## Pay garbage tax now: Rs 200/house

Jun 10, 2020

The covid-19 pandemic has led to job losses, salary cuts and a grim economic outlook. And the BBMP has chosen such a scenario to impose Rs 200 per month as cess to pick up waste from your doorstep. The BBMP is all set to implement bye-laws on solid waste management (SWM) (SWM), which will entail asking house owners to pay money to hand over garbage to conservancy workers.

“The bye-laws on solid waste management have been notified. The BBMP will collect a service charge from property owners to give segregated garbage to conservancy workers,” said BBMP Commissioner BH Anil Kumar.

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**Categories of waste**

- Domestic hazardous**
  - (i) Aerosol cans
  - (ii) Batteries
  - (iii) Bleaches, kitchen and drain cleaning agent
  - (iv) Car batteries, oil filters and car care products and consumables
  - (v) Oils, chemicals and solvents and their empty containers
  - (vi) Cosmetic items, chemical-based insecticides and their empty containers
  - (vii) Medicine, including expired medicine
  - (viii) Paint, oil, lubricant, glue, thinner, and their empty containers
  - (ix) Pesticide and herbicide, and their empty containers
  - (x) Photographic chemicals
  - (xi) Soft foam packaging from new equipment
  - (xii) Thermometers, products containing mercury
- Recyclable non bio-degradable**
  - (i) Papers
  - (ii) books
  - (iii) Glass
  - (iv) Metal objects and wire
  - (v) Plastic
  - (vi) Aluminum cans
  - (vii) Resin
  - (viii) Rubber
  - (ix) Wood
  - (x) Packaging
  - (xi) fabric
  - (xii) Styrofoam
  - (xiii) Thermocol
- Bulky waste**
  - (i) Furniture and furnishings, such as wardrobe, tables, chairs, shoe racks, computer tables, beds, cots, chair, dining tables, sofas
  - (ii) Kitchen utensils
  - (iii) Mattresses
  - (iv) Musical instruments that do not qualify as e-waste
- Bio-degradable**
  - (i) Kitchen waste
  - (ii) Organic waste such as fruit and vegetable peels, rotten vegetables and fruits
  - (iii) Meat and bones
  - (iv) Garden and leaf litter, including flowers
  - (v) Coconut shells
  - (vi) Wood, leaf ashes
- Biomedical**
  - (i) Items contaminated with blood, body fluids, like dressings, plaster cast, cotton swabs and bags containing residual or discarded blood and blood components.
  - (ii) Expired or discarded medicines along with ampoules, vials
  - (iii) Discarded linen, mattresses, beddings contaminated with blood or body fluid.
  - (iv) tubing, bottles, intravenous tubes and sets, catheters, urine bags, needles, scalpels, blades, syringes (without needles and fluid inside syringes) and vacutainers with their needles cut) and gloves

**Items might be added or removed**

**METHODS TO PROCESS WASTE**

- BIO-DEGRADABLE WASTE (wet waste):** Adopt practices approved by KSPCB or CPCB for bio-stabilisation
- RECYCLABLE NON-BIO-DEGRADABLE WASTE (dry waste):** Send to dry waste collection centres for sorting and baling, and later to authorised recycling units
- CONSTRUCTION AND DEMOLITION WASTE:** Process in accordance with CMD rules and transport to landfills or appropriate processing plants
- SPECIAL STREAMS OF WASTE:** Solid waste such as leaf litter and tender coconuts shall be sent to appropriate processing facility
- DOMESTIC HAZARDOUS WASTE:** Processed through Treatment Storage Disposal Facility (TSDP). Sanitary waste to be processed at the nearest common Biomedical treatment facility. Process rejects to be transported to sanitary landfills for disposal
- NON-RECYCLABLE NON-BIO-DEGRADABLE WASTE:** Use to Waste to Energy (WTE) processes
- SLAUGHTERHOUSE WASTE:** Process or dispose through composting, Nonmethanation, or by any other method prescribed by CPCB or KSPCB
- SANITARY LANDFILLS:** Residual solid waste and insects, which cannot be processed in above methods, shall be disposed in a sanitary landfill in a scientific manner

## Access To Justice In Supreme Court Ensured By VC Hearings, Writes Sr Adv Sidharth Luthra

Jun 11, 2020

About two months after the lockdown began, the Supreme Court which started Virtual Courts almost immediately to overcome the restrictions on movement, has now taken a decision to continue with virtual hearings and not to reopen Court for hearings with physical presence of lawyers/ litigants.

The Supreme Court Bar Association (SCBA), Supreme Court Advocate on Record Association (SCORA) and the Chairman, Bar Council of India, who represent the legal community, had been pressing the court to reopen for physical hearings. But in the absence of a cure for COVID-19 and with no vaccine in sight, the Supreme Court took the difficult but pragmatic decision to continue only with Virtual Court hearings for the present.

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