



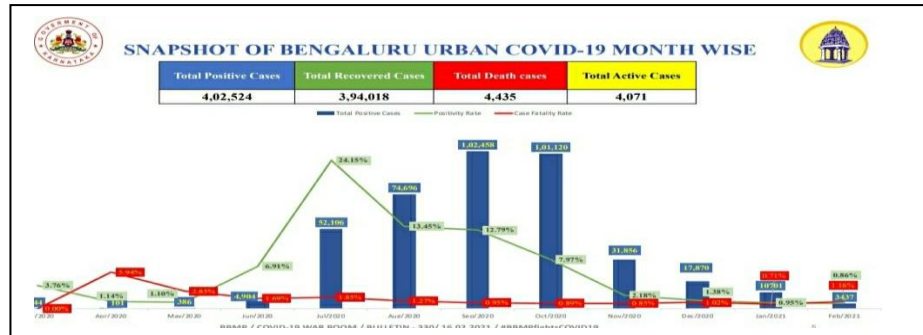
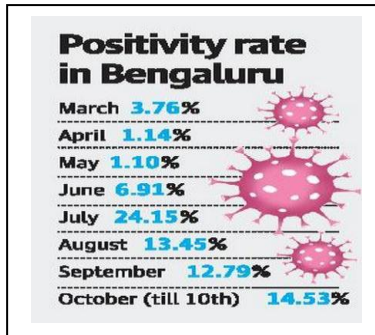
I Will **Wear My Mask**
Here or There...
I Will **Social Distance**
Everywhere!

Bangalore Apartments' Federation Newsletter

Volume 4, Issue 6-11, February 2021

Dear Apartment Resident,

We are happy to bring you back the new editions of BAF Newsletter in 2021. While there are many developments and we are in a good unlock phase so far as COVID is concerned with practically all facilities opened up, there is still a great caution needed to be exercised when it comes to following covid protocols – MASK UP, Sanitize and Social Distancing remain the key. Also avoid large, casual gatherings & celebrations. BBMP SoPs for gyms/ clubhouses, swimming pools, events & gatherings etc need to be followed. Visit <http://bbmp.gov.in/en/web/guest/covid-19> for latest advisory.



The BWSSB UGD disconnection, STP related – KSPCB compliance requirements, Lift license & Fire NoC renewals continued to trouble apartments during the pandemic. BAF team kept engaging with all departments on resolution of these issues. BAF member apartments pursued their SRTPV projects, amid the pandemic & given the deadlines for PPA with net metering policy -, many apartments are in process of getting approvals by due date 31/3/2021. From 1st April 2021, the shift to gross metering policy will make SRTPV projects for apartments unviable, unless our representations affect any favorable policy change..

Since September 2020, wards are being managed by Nodal Officers along with ward committee teams – comprising of officials and ward RWA citizens. BAF is happy to note many of our members are participating in this for resolving own and ward issues.

The following is the summary of key activities that BAF engaged in during the past few months & for many resolution awaited.

1. BAF annual flagship event **BAMBOOS 2020** was for the very first time, hosted virtually over 2 days- Dec 12 and 13 2020. The event saw various panel discussions & workshops being hosted on apartment related topical issues, with panelists from relevant government departments, service providers, subject matter experts and civic authorities. Visit: <https://baf.org.in/bamboos-2020-gallery> to go through all knowledge discussions of the event.
2. BAF partnered with Janaagraha for the **MYCITYMYBUDGET** campaign to demand better public toilets & free footpath spaces.
3. During March 2020 til Feb 2021- many BAF ki BAAT sessions were held on topics important for apartment associations and residents. If you have missed it - Visit <https://baf.org.in/view-album> to go through them all
4. BAF team is constantly working on **KSPCB-NGT** issues, where some member apartments also faced situation of power cuts. A stay order was obtained & power connection to affected apartments restored. The need of the hour is to come together and counter the harassments, while at the same time – ensure we are all well aware at the home buying & taking handover stages – on all apartment compliances being met. And for any lacunae – hold the developers & authority responsible for any lapses at the early stages. Further discussions are on with KSPCB on practical issues of online effluent monitoring system for STP treated water, impractical ZLD conditions, CFO renewals etc
5. The BAF team on water is also seeking clarifications w.r.t. to demands of digital metering & licensing/ NOC requirements for bore-wells. BAF has represented to **BESCOM, KERC & GoK-Energy-PS** on issues of SRTPV Net metering policy extension, transformer servicing issues, lift licensing renewal issues & objection to power tariff hikes for 2021.
6. BAF represented to **GoK-Home Dept.** on Fire-NoC renewals & associated impractical training compliance & inspection fees.
7. A PIL has been filed that challenges the DoD (along with byelaws) registered associations and relief sought to term these associations as void ab initio (invalid). BAF team has taken up this matter and studying the same for necessary understanding & action.

Cheers! Team BAF!

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QUIZ BASED ON BAF NEWSLETTER OF THE MONTH!

THEME: REST OF THE NEWS SECTION

- Q1. What is full form of BAMBOOS?
- Q2. How many wards will BBMP have post delimitation?
- Q3. How many borewells is BBMP planning to dig in 20 wards?
- Q4. When did Karnataka Land Grabbing Act come into force?
- Q5. How large is Shikaripalya lake?

Answers to all the above questions can be found in the News Section of this Newsletter!

SEND your ANSWERS to :info@baf.org.in & WIN EXCITING PRIZES TOO!

CITIZENS' SAY MUST MATTER.

Express Thy Opinion on Civic Matters!

THEME: ROOF TOP SOLAR IMPLEMENTATION

Did you implement or plan to implement SRTPV in your apartment? If you have installed roof top solar - Do write in @150 words (+supporting data tables allowed) about the size of project, project benefits that are accruing to your Association & residents in general, what challenges you faced and overcame to make this initiative a success. If you are planning- do write in about process steps taken.

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BAF IN THE NEWS...

E-City lake shrinks as concrete jungle expands

Jan 29, 2021

Lakes are becoming the first casualty of development as the city is making its way into the surrounding villages.

A case in point is the Shikaripalya lake in Electronics City City Phase I, which though is still not under the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) limits, is located about 2 km from the under-construction Metro station. There are at least two roads dividing the 19 acres waterbody into tree parts. It is highly contaminated, has been encroached upon from all sides and become a dumping yard.

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How Century Saras put sunshine to best use

Jan 21, 2021

Century Saras, an apartment situated in North of Bengaluru is a recent entrant to the rooftop solar club. A Bangalore Apartments' Federation member, the Century Saras Apartment Association went about this sustainable solution in a systematic manner — from involving experts among the residents, collecting data, computing it, choosing a vendor and installing it — all in a matter of a year and a half. The installation was commissioned on World Environment Day, 5 June, 2020.

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BAF IN THE NEWS...

Bengaluru Apartments – BAMBOOS hosted virtually amid the Corona Pandemic

Dec 10, 2020



The Bangalore Apartments' Federation's annual event 'Bengaluru Apartments – Making Bengaluru Operationally Outstanding and Sustainable' (BAMBOOS), was hosted virtually on December 12th and 13th. Covid-19 restrictions have forced the event to go online.

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Apartments take lead for a better Bengaluru

Dec 13, 2020

Appreciating Bangalore Apartment Federation's efforts, Deputy Chief Minister Dr C N Ashwath Narayana called upon the apartments to play a key role in the development of the city.

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REST OF THE NEWS...



Flat owners move court against Deed of Declaration registrations

Jan 16, 2021

The high court has ordered notice to the state government in a public interest litigation (PIL) filed by Bangalore City Flat Owners' Association.

The petitioner-association has sought for a direction to forthwith stop the registration of Deed of Declaration (DOD), with or without bye-laws.

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BBMP to dig deep: 104 borewells at Rs 97.65 cr

Jan 22,2021

Exorbitant water charge by BWSSB is driving demand for borewells, civic agency has chosen areas located in peripheral areas of the city such as Hoodi, Bellandur to look for water

It is not just individuals who are digging borewells in non-core areas of the city, but the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) appears to be leading from the front in that activity. The civic body plans to spend Rs 97.65 crore for providing 104 borewells in about 20 wards.

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REST OF THE NEWS...

House owners 'forced' to fork out more for sewage chambers

Jan 23,2021

In Sidedahalli, L&T has been contracted with laying pipelines, which, in turn, has sub-contracted it to an individual, Shankar.

The occupants of the nearly 750 dwellings at Sidedahalli near Bagalagunte in Dasarahalli find themselves completely at the mercy of a contractor with no proper sewerage network for their homes. A main sewage pipeline has been readied in their area by the water board but inspection chambers are yet to be installed in front of many houses.

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Five years gone, residents of Bengaluru's Doddakallasandra await water connection

Jan 25,2021

While BWSSB wants the residents to pay Rs 4 crore more for the connection, the water tanker business is flourishing amid the standoff.

Nearly five years after paying the full deposit of Rs 3.8 crore to the Bangalore Water Supply and Sewerage Board (BWSSB) for new Cauvery water connections, 608 houses at Gokulam Apartments in Doddakallasandra are yet to get piped Cauvery water. Now, BWSSB wants the residents to pay Rs 4 crore more for the connection. As the standoff continues, the water tanker business is flourishing.

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KSPCB finds 540 buildings letting sewage into SWDs

Jan 27, 2021

The Karnataka State Pollution Control Board (KSPCB), in an attempt to make the storm water drain in Koramangala-Challaghatta Valley free from sewage, has identified around 540 buildings that have been letting untreated sewage into the storm water drains.

Not just that, they have advised the Bangalore Water Supply and Sewerage Board (BWSSB) and Bengaluru Electricity Supply Company (Bescom) to disconnect water and electricity to such buildings, said KSPCB Member Secretary Srinivasulu.

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BBMP wards increase from 198 to 243: Conflict between Supreme Court order and State Government notification

Jan 30, 2021

BBMP has constituted a four member delimitation commission headed by BBMP Commissioner to carry out the delimitation exercise. On one hand, civic activists have questioned the rationale behind this exercise since the exercise is based on the 2011 Census. While on the other hand, The Supreme Court has issued a stay on the Karnataka High Court order on holding polls to the BBMP council. The matter is scheduled to come up for hearing on February 5.

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REST OF THE NEWS...



Bengaluru lakes: NGT lake panel report on Feb 15

Jan 28, 2021

A report on the progress made by the civic agencies with regard to the rejuvenation of three key lakes in the City, will be submitted to the National Green Tribunal (NGT) by February 15. A committee, set up for the purpose, has written to the Tribunal recently seeking a one-month extension over the January 15 deadline. The progress made to rejuvenate the polluted Varthur, Bellandur and Agara Lakes by the BWSSB, BDA, KSPCB and the BBMP was to be regularly tracked by the four-member committee headed by former Lokayukta Justice N Santosh Hegde.

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HC upholds Karnataka anti-land grab Act

Jan 20, 2021

The Karnataka High Court upheld the constitutional validity of the Karnataka Land Grabbing Prohibition Act and directed the State Government to establish special courts in districts, wherever necessary, to try cases registered under the Act.

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&
Family Welfare**

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COVID-19 (nCoronavirus)
DO NOT PANIC
BE AWARE

EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW

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 really sick, keep yourself hydrated, stay at home and take rest

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

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

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



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

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


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

BAF digital touch-points as below:

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- Twitter : <https://twitter.com/bafblr>
- FB Page:
<https://www.facebook.com/BangaloreApartmentsFederation/>
- YouTube Channel:
<http://youtube.com/c/bafbngalore>

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