

बृहन्मुंबई महानगरपालिका

BRIHANMUMBAI MUNICIPAL CORPORATION

Ward Committee Meeting

MINUTES OF MEETING

Meeting No.: WC-F/2025/28

Ward: F/North (Matunga, Sion, Dharavi)

Date: 18th December 2025

Time: 6:00 PM to 8:20 PM

Venue: Matunga Ward Office, Ruia College Road, Mumbai

Attendees:

- Shri Prakash Shinde - Ward Officer (Presiding)
- Smt. Sunita Rao - Corporator, F/North Ward
- Mr. Ashok Desai - RWA Federation President
- Dr. Ramesh Kumar - Representative, Sion Hospital
- Ms. Priya Menon - NGO Representative (Clean Dharavi Initiative)
- Mr. Vinod Patil - Traffic Police Inspector (Matunga Division)
- Mr. Mohan Joshi - Local Businessman Association

AGENDA: Addressing Citizen Grievances & Local Development

ITEM 1: Traffic Congestion at Matunga Station Junction

Issue Raised by: Corporator Smt. Sunita Rao

Problem Description:

Severe traffic congestion during peak hours (8-10 AM, 6-8 PM) causing 20-30 minute delays at four-way junction near Matunga Station.

Current Situation:

- Four-way junction with no traffic signal
- Auto-rickshaw stand obstructing one lane
- Illegal hawkers on footpath forcing pedestrians onto road
- No dedicated pedestrian crossing
- Increased accident risk reported by local residents

PROPOSED SOLUTION (Traffic Inspector Mr. Patil)

Solution Component	Details	Cost (₹)
Smart Traffic Signal	With pedestrian timer and CCTV integration	2,50,000
Auto Stand Relocation	50 meters south to Lady Jamshedji Road with new shelter	1,50,000
Road Marking & Signage	Zebra crossing, speed breakers, directional signs	85,000
TOTAL BUDGET		4,85,000

Timeline: 45 days from approval

Funding Source: Ward Development Fund

Discussion:

- RWA President Mr. Desai strongly supported proposal, cited increased accident risk
- Ward Officer assured coordination with traffic police for anti-encroachment enforcement
- Corporator requested weekly progress updates

DECISION: Proposal APPROVED. Ward office to submit formal request to Traffic Department within 3 days.

ITEM 2: Sion Hospital Road - Pothole Repairs

Issue: Severe road damage on approach road to Sion Hospital affecting ambulance movement

Location: Sion-Trombay Road, from Sion Circle to Hospital Gate (400 meters), both directions

Hospital Representative (Dr. Kumar) Statement:

- Ambulances experiencing 5-7 minute delays due to slow navigation around potholes
- Patients in critical condition facing additional risk
- Complaints from doctors and staff regarding personal vehicle damage

Damage Assessment:

- 28 major potholes identified (depth: 3-8 inches)
- Edge failure at 4 locations
- Drainage grating missing/damaged at 6 spots

PROPOSED TWO-PHASE ACTION

Phase	Work Description	Timeline	Budget (₹)
Phase 1: Emergency	Immediate patchwork using cold mix asphalt (temporary)	Within 48 hours	1,20,000
Phase 2: Permanent	Complete road resurfacing (400m length, both lanes)	15 Jan - 28 Feb 2026	8,50,000
TOTAL BUDGET			9,70,000

Contractor (Emergency): Ward maintenance team with BMC materials

Contractor (Permanent): To be awarded through tender

Responsible Officer: Mr. Rajan Patil, Assistant Engineer, Roads Division

DECISION: Emergency work APPROVED for immediate execution. Patchwork to be completed by 20th December 2025. Hospital to be informed of schedule.

ITEM 3: Dharavi Drainage Overflow Problem

Issue Raised by: Ms. Priya Menon (NGO Representative)

Problem: Open drains overflowing during heavy rain, causing unhygienic conditions in residential lanes

Affected Area: 90 Feet Road vicinity, Blocks 8-12

Households Affected: Approximately 2,500 families

Root Cause Analysis:

1. Drainage lines designed for 300mm diameter insufficient for current population density
2. Blockage due to solid waste dumping by residents
3. Missing drain covers (12 locations) allowing garbage entry
4. No regular desilting schedule maintained

COMPREHENSIVE SOLUTION - TWO STAGES

STAGE 1: IMMEDIATE RELIEF (Next 2 weeks)

Work Component	Cost (₹)
Manual cleaning and desilting (850 meters)	1,20,000
Installation of 12 RCC drain covers	96,000
Deployment of 2 suction machines	64,000
STAGE 1 TOTAL	2,80,000

Start Date: 21st December 2025

Implementation: BMC sanitation squad

STAGE 2: LONG-TERM FIX (Next 6 months)

Work Component	Cost (₹)
Upgrade drainage line from 300mm to 450mm (400 meters priority section)	14,00,000

Install 8 additional catch pits	3,20,000
Community awareness program on waste disposal	1,30,000
STAGE 2 TOTAL	18,50,000

Implementation: Tender process required (January 2026)

Monitoring Mechanism:

- Ward officer to conduct bi-weekly inspections
- NGO to mobilize community volunteers for awareness campaign
- WhatsApp group created for real-time complaint reporting

Discussion:

- RWA President suggested involving local youth in awareness programs
- Corporator committed to pursuing higher budget allocation in next Standing Committee meeting
- Ward officer emphasized zero-tolerance policy for waste dumping in drains with penalty provisions

DECISION: Both immediate and long-term proposals APPROVED. Stage 1 work to commence 21st December. Tender for Stage 2 upgradation to be floated by 10th January 2026.

WARD DEVELOPMENT FUND STATUS

Annual Allocation (FY 2025-26):	₹85,00,000
Utilized (April-November 2025):	₹52,30,000
Committed (Today's Approvals):	₹33,35,000
Pending Approval (Previous Meetings):	₹12,20,000
Available Balance:	-₹12,85,000

Note: Additional allocation request of ₹25 lakhs submitted to BMC for Q4. Pending approval from Standing Committee.

ACTION ITEMS FOLLOW-UP

Issue	Responsible Officer	Status	Next Review
Traffic Signal - Matunga Junction	Ward Officer + Traffic Dept	Approved - Budget pending clearance	03-Jan-2026
Hospital Road Emergency Repairs	Mr. Rajan Patil (AE)	Work starts 19-Dec-2025	20-Dec-2025
Dharavi Drainage - Stage 1	Sanitation Squad	Starts 21-Dec-2025	05-Jan-2026
Dharavi Drainage - Stage 2	Ward Officer	Tender preparation	10-Jan-2026

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

22 citizens attended meeting (gallery seating). 4 written complaints received and forwarded to concerned departments for action.

Next Ward Meeting: 15th January 2026, 6:00 PM

Ms. Anjali Pawar

Ward Secretary

Date: 19th December 2025

Shri Prakash Shinde

Ward Officer, F/North Ward

Date: 19th December 2025

Minutes prepared for public record - Ward F/North Office, BMC