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Re: New footpath work from symbiosis

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Sat, Dec 1, 2007 at 2:15 PM

Reply-To: vkharwadkar@

To: Joglekar <adhiraj.joglekar@googlemail.com>

Dear Mr Joglekar,

Thanks for your email. We appreciate that it takes pains to draft a mail as well conceived as the one you sent. We shall endeavour to reflect the suggestions made by you except for the footpath width. We are also concerned about the reckless driving on the smooth pavements and also during the construction process. Your suggestions with respect to No Parking shall be appropriately considered.

Again many thanks for your timely intervention.

Vivek Kharwadkar

-----Original Message-----

From: "Dr Adhiraj Joglekar" <adhiraj.joglekar@googlemail.com <mailto:adhiraj.joglekar@googlemail.com>>

Date: Sat, 1 Dec 2007 13:29:40

To: vkharwadkar@ / Cc: Commissioner

Subject: Re: New footpath work from symbiosis

Dear Shri Kharwadkar,

Hello! I am aware of the work on footpaths on S B Marg having started. While I am personally unable to thank you, I take this opportunity to say so through this e-mail. I would however request the PMC supervises the work of the contractor and his men. I wish to raise some points here –

On here say I understand that the footpaths are only 3 feet wide (I suspect the footpaths for such a busy road of reasonable width should be wider as per Indian Road Congress recommendations). Also some people have given feedback about the height of footpaths being too high (I understand there are IRC recommendations for this as well). The height may not matter as long as there are dropped kerbs in front of any drive ways and lanes. There may have to be dropped kerbs on toward side of the road in places where pedestrians (especially elderly) expect to cross to other side. The dropped kerbs may have to have a gentle slope to facilitate easy use by elderly and disabled, further the dripped kerbs will need use of non-slippery nipple tiles (very vital in monsoon).

One big question remains is that of parking on SB Marg. I am not against parking on the road so long as natural crossing points, bus stops and drive ways are marked with double yellow lines as 'no parking at all times'.

The other issue is that of 'hawkers'. Again I appreciate people having to earn a livelihood. I am attaching a suggested plan for managing this (based on what happens in West).

I request the PMC to use this project to make a model road. When successful it can be easily replicated all over Pune. Only cycles should be allowed free parking bays and all motorised vehicles ought to be charged for every hour of use by using pay and park meters (not personnel who keep a watch).

Regards and many thanks,

Dr Adhiraj Joglekar