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MCD proposes 19 sites for parking lots to DDA

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AN OFFICIAL SAYS

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New Delhi: Aiming to decongest busy commercial and market areas, Municipal Corporation of Delhi (MCD) is coordinating with Delhi Development Authority (DDA) for transfer of 19 sites to develop parking lots.

Talks are currently being held between the agencies, a senior MCD official said.

"Once the sites are transferred, a decision will be taken at the headquarter level regarding the policy for developing them on land lease basis or through a 7:3 licensing fee distribution mechanism," said another official.

Madipur and Dwarka are among the proposed sites where the proposal is at an advanced stage, according to an official.

"The size of the plot at Madipur near Punjabi Bagh is 2,300sqm. We aim to utilise 50% of the area for developing the facility. It will be a seven-storey structure and a portion of it will be utilised for commercial activities. The estimated car parking space at the site will be for 276 vehicles," said the official.

Other proposed sites include Janakpuri B1 commercial centre; near Manglam Hospital on Narwana Road in West Vinod Nagar; Shastri Park near Jag Parvesh Chander Hospital; near Father Agnel School in Gautam Nagar; opposite Karkardooma court; and near Dr Hedgewar Arogya Sansthan.

"Considering many of the sites are located in east Delhi, we expect to minimise the mess on the roads once the land is transferred and the shuttle parking is developed," said the official.

At present, MCD has only one multilevel car parking lot, in east Delhi's Krishna Nagar.

A MCD official told TOI that DDA is working on a policy wherein a piece of land can be developed into a multilevel parking lot on public-private partnership (PPP) basis and after sharing of revenue between MCD, DDA and the private concessionaire.

"So far, DDA has no policy to transfer the site to a third party (concessionaire) via MCD. However, considering we do not have the funds to pay the land cost, we have requested the authority for reforms. They are working on a new policy now," said the official.

Till a policy is finalised, the sites to be transferred by DDA will be developed by MCD and the revenue will be shared. "In the past too, we developed shuttle parking at Nizamuddin, Green Park, Lajpat Nagar and Adchini using this model. Work for the Punjabi Bagh and Greater Kailash-I multilevel parking is on without any private concessionaire being involved. It is based on a revenue-sharing model," said the official.

Curious about trees? Event at Sanjay Van likely to interest you



BIRDERS' DAY OUT

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Times View

New Delhi: If the world of woods excites you, head to the tree festival at Sanjay Van on March 11. The event, which is being organised by Delhi Development Authority, will be held between 7 am and 12 noon.

"During the festival, experts from WWF-India will inform the visitors about varieties and girth of trees planted in the forest and how these can be distinguished based on their leaves, flower, fruits, and wood. People can participate in the festival only after registering online," said a senior DDA official.

The link for participation is likely to be shared on social media pages of DDA and WWF-India a day before the event. "We are not allowing registrations now to avoid too many visitors, which may be difficult to manage," said the official.

On March 5, Sanjay Van's first bird festival was held. Delhi is the second bird-rich capital in the world after Kenya's Nairobi, said the official. The festival included nature walks, talk shows with experts, exhibition stalls and interactive multimedia sessions. The event saw participation of over 450 people from all walks of life.

The bird festival began

Birds add "ecological value" to our surroundings in a variety of ways. Their sounds enliven cloistered and joyless urban spaces. A bird festival of this nature creates public awareness on their importance and is welcome in a city where their numbers have dwindled. However, organizers also need to publicise such events better and tie up with schools to ensure more participation.

with nature trails wherein experts led the bird walks with participants and these took place in multiple groups to spot resident as well as migratory species. "Then there were bird-based arts & crafts activities wherein stalls were set up with artists guiding participants to express their admiration for birds in innovative ways, from origami to stone painting and body art," said another official.

Also, there were interactive multimedia exhibits and games for participants to learn about birds. There was a stall dedicated to exploring birds and birdwatching through play-based learning.

"During the event, we spotted about 25 species of birds. A guide book on birds was also launched," said the official.

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जागरण संवाददाता, नई दिल्ली: राजधानी दिल्ली में पार्किंग की समस्या के समाधान के लिए नगर निगम नए माडल पर काम कर रहा है। इसके तहत निगम को फंड भी खर्च नहीं करना पड़ेगा और पार्किंग की भी सहूलियत मिल जाएगी। ऐसी 19 पार्किंग परियोजनाओं को लेकर दिल्ली विकास प्राधिकरण और नगर निगम के बीच बातचीत चल रही है। अगर, दोनों विभागों के बीच सहमति बन जाती है तो राजधानी को 19 नई बहुमंजिला पार्किंग मिल सकती हैं।

दिल्ली नगर निगम के एक वरिष्ठ अधिकारी ने बताया कि निगम के पास फंड की कमी है। इसको देखते हुए निगम डीडीए के साथ मिलकर एक ऐसे माडल पर विचार कर रहा है, जिसमें निगम को ज्यादा खर्च वहन न करना पड़े और पार्किंग भी बन जाए। उन्होंने बताया कि अभी तक डीडीए से जो जमीन मिलती थी निगम उसकी एवज में डीडीए को जमीन का पैसा देता था। उसके बाद पार्किंग का निर्माण किया जाता था। चूंकि दिल्ली में जमीन की कीमत बहुत अधिक है, ऐसे में काफी खर्चा होता है। निगम की योजना है कि डीडीए को जमीन का पैसा न देकर पार्किंग से जो राजस्व आता है उसको साझा कर कार्य किया जाए।

अधिकारी ने बताया कि इससे निगम को ज्यादा आर्थिक बोझ नहीं उठाना पड़ेगा। उल्लेखनीय है कि दिल्ली में इस समय 384 पार्किंग

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स्थल हैं। इसमें 17 बहुमंजिला पार्किंग हैं। जबकि अभी निगम का चांदनी चौक, शिवा मार्केट आदि स्थानों पर बहुमंजिला पार्किंग का निर्माण चल रहा है।

पूर्वी दिल्ली को मिलेगी सबसे ज्यादा राहत : दिल्ली नगर निगम जिन 19 पार्किंग स्थलों की जमीन को लेकर डीडीए से बात कर रहा है उसमें सबसे ज्यादा राहत पूर्वी दिल्ली को है क्योंकि, पूर्वी दिल्ली में एकमात्र निगम की कृष्णा नगर बहुमंजिला पार्किंग है। जो कि शाहदरा साउथ जोन में आती है। उत्तर-पूर्वी दिल्ली जो कि निगम के शाहदरा नार्थ जोन का हिस्सा है उसमें निगम की एक भी बहुमंजिला पार्किंग नहीं है। मंगलम अस्पताल के पास, जग प्रवेश चंद्र अस्पताल के पास और हेडगेवार अस्पताल के पास निगम द्वारा डीडीए से बहुमंजिला पार्किंग बनाने के लिए बातचीत चल रही है।

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'LEARNING WITH NATURE WITHIN THE HEART OF THE CITY'

DDA, WWF-India host 'Sanjay Van Bird Festival'

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NEW DELHI: The Delhi Development Authority in a key partnership with WWF-India, hosted the first Bird Festival in Sanjay Van. The Authority, along with WWF-India want to make a platform for learning with nature at Sanjay Van reserve forest.

Delhi's Sanjay Van is home to many birds and is a well known area for eager bird watchers. Delhi is the 2nd Bird Rich Capital in the world, after Kenya, Nairobi. The festival came alive with nature walks, arts and crafts, exhibition stalls, interactive multimedia — all opportunities for citizens to experience, celebrate and learn about the winged wonders with whom



they share space. The event saw a participation of 450+ attendees of all ages, from all walks of life.

Peush Kumar, Deputy Director (Landscapes), DDA, said: "The strategic partnership between DDA and WWF India has gone a long way in imparting nature-based education amongst citizens and inculcating an under-

standing of the environment. DDA hopes that the number of initiatives being undertaken shall continue to bear fruit. We are committed to nurturing this relationship and facilitating connections between humans and nature. We have a lot to learn from birds — patience, resilience, resourcefulness, teamwork, per-

severance, adaptability, vigilance and creativity. The Sanjay Van Bird Festival is an endeavour to work with nature, rather than against it. We successfully held a Moth Festival, Dragonfly Festival, as well as numerous nature trails on flora & fauna with experts in the Sanjay Van Forest."

Karan Bhalla, COO, WWF-India said: "DDA and WWF-India have joined hands to create a hub for 'Learning with Nature' within the heart of the city, at Sanjay Van. This valued partnership exists to cultivate a learning and appreciation of nature, within our immediate urban environment. It offers the residents of Delhi a unique platform to value Delhi's biodiversity and to be involved in

its protection. With 200+ bird species at Sanjay Van; to witness it will be an enriching journey involving the city's residents of all ages in knowing and protecting the wonderful natural habitats in our midst."

Sanjay Van is a part of South-Central Ridge part of the Aravalli hills in Delhi and has been a reserved forest under Indian Forest Act, 1927. It is adjacent to Qutub Minar and surrounded by JNU, Qutub Institutional area, Kishangarh-Vasant Kunj and Mehrauli. DDA has made several efforts to ensure restoration of waterbodies in the forest including conserving and reintroducing native flora, bioremediation of sewage water and water harvesting.

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पक्षी प्रेमियों ने उनके बीच रहकर लिए अनुभव

नई दिल्ली (एसएनबी)। दिल्ली विकास प्राधिकरण (डीडीए) का पहला पक्षी उत्सव संपन्न हो गया। संजय वन में डीडीए एवं डब्ल्यूडब्ल्यूडब्ल्यूएफ के इस साझा कार्यक्रम में बड़ी संख्या में पक्षी प्रेमियों से हिस्सा लिया। प्राधिकरण के अधिकारियों ने बताया कि केन्य के नैरोबी शहर के बाद प्रवासी पक्षियों का स्वागत करने वाली दिल्ली दुनिया की दूसरी सबसे बड़ी राजधानी है। इस पक्षी फेस्टिवल में नेचर वॉक, आर्ट एंड क्राफ्ट्स, प्रदर्शनी स्टॉल्स एवं इंटरैक्टिव मल्टीमीडिया शोभा बढ़ाई। प्राधिकरण का कहना है कि यह कार्यक्रम आरक्षित वन में 'लर्निंग विद नेचर' के लिए प्लेटफॉर्म तैयार करने के लिए आयोजित किया गया था। इस फेस्टिवल के जरिए लोगों को पक्षियों के साथ उनके रहने की जगह का अनुभव लेने, उत्सव मनाने के बारे में जानने का एक अच्छा अवसर मिला। फेस्टिवल में सभी आयु वर्ग के 450 से अधिक प्रतिभागियों ने हिस्सा लिया।

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