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From Chairman's Desk



Water is essential for life as it is our utmost necessity. In cases to control fire and most importantly to stay alive. Water is a part of our daily life and we are heavily dependent on it. The conservation of water is very important and necessary to have a healthy and long-lasting life. Conserving the water is not difficult, it saves money, and it is beneficial to our future. We do not know if there will be enough water for a more crowded world in the future. We must learn about the importance of water, and conserve the water to prevent future problems. On the other hand we see day number of trees disappear from the face of the earth every day. When there are other ways of generating paper products, trees are still being used largely. It's high time now, that we stop this mean destruction, before we forget the colour green. We, The inhabitants of earth, have reached that stage where we need to redesign and reconsider our lifestyles for further survival on this planet. If we want the generations to look forward to a healthy and green earth, then we really have to change ourselves at the earliest. We, are now up to save our city from endeavour of Pollution and scarcity of Water. The recent guideline of Central Government regarding Water Loss Reduction and Green Space Development has helped us to come forward for taking some steps related to these two very important matter which, we are hopeful to be effective for and helpful for preventing the air we breathe and water we drink to be protected and secured for now and also for future at Baranagar.

Thanks and regards.

Progress Update:- *Beautification of Park:- Schemes of Three park are projected for Beautification at Baranagar for the year 2015-16 .Proposals for beautification of 3 Parks at Municipal Campus, behind Sinthee Circus Maidan and Deshapriya Nagar Colony has been made after vetting from MED and DPR for them is submitted to Municipal Affairs Department for approval. The Procurement process for vendor selection is on final stage. Total cost of the project is Rs. 25.00 lakhs. The tender process for this park is under process.*

Green Space Development initiative by Municipal Authority :- The recent guideline of Municipal Affairs Department regarding preparation of Green Space Development Plan for the year 2016-17 received by M.A.Department, Order dated 26.02.2016 was discussed thoroughly & after a prolonged discussion it was unanimously resolved that in order to develop green space in phase in the Municipal area, necessary steps for preparation of Green Space Development Plan in order to achieve the target set under AMRUT Mission 15% will be taken up accordingly. BOC of Baranagar Municipality unanimously resolved to adopt the guideline as received from M.A.Department as the Action Plan for the year 2016-17 to achieve the reforms agenda under AMRUT and will submit the Action Plan accordingly to the appropriate authority.

Initiative of Municipal Authority for Water Loss Reduction:- The recent guideline of Municipal Affairs Department regarding preparation of Water Loss Reduction Plan for the year 2016-17 received by M.A.Department, order dated 26.02.2016 was discussed thoroughly & after a prolonged discussion it was unanimously resolved that in order to reduce loss of treated water in the Municipal water supply system necessary steps for preparation of water loss reduction plan in order to achieve the target set under AMRUT Mission (i.e. less than 20%) and accordingly BOC unanimously resolved to adopt the guideline as received from M.A. Department as the Action Plan for the year 2016-17 to achieve the reforms agenda under AMRUT.

Reforms Under AMRUT:- The Chairman Baranagar Municipality has informed that the issue regarding the reforms condition on AMRUT to “Adopt a policy of user charges for individual & institutional establishment in which a differential rate is charged for water use & adequate safeguards are included to take care of the interests of the vulnerable” in the BOC. The matter was discussed at length among members. After a prolonged discussion, it was resolved that the water which are being / will be supplied within the premises of the respective holdings of the bulk consumers like industrial units, commercial units will be charged for providing the drinking water as per rate to decided by the BOC time to time. Apart from that, connection charges for supply of water within the premises of respective holdings of the commercial institutes, industries, domestic purpose will be as per existing rule as prevailed. It was also resolved that at per with the policy of the State Government there will be no charge for supply of water to the economically weaker section including BPL households.

