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“ I always had a dream to buy a home. For the last six to seven years I was thinking about it but for some reason I was not able to make the decision. When my wife and I visited Rutu, we were simply in awe of not only the project but also of the staff and the way they treated us. The sample flat that we saw was beautiful, the quality of construction was extraordinary, big balconies and ofcourse green cover all around. We booked a flat on the very same day of our visit.



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MORE THAN YES MINISTERS

With the degradation of politics in the country reaching the bottom of minimum decency by every passing day thereby razing the so called temples of democracy in rubble, a pleasant surprise was delivered by two union ministers in their speeches which were par excellent. Apart from them being masterpieces of articulate public discourse, they carried a lot of content, sense and maturity that will make the common man rethink that politics is definitely not the last resort of scoundrels. It has scholars too and not those `Yes minister` bumbling kinds whom we find by dozens.

The first speech which impressed many like me, who look at politicians with a degree of caution, was made by union minister of road transport and highways Mr. Nitin Gadkari. Fondly described as `spiderman` of Indian politics, the attribute bestowed upon him for weaving a web of road through the length and breadth of the country, Mr. Gadkari is so well versed with his ministry that he seldom requires any notes to refer. The data is at his fingertips which makes his talk authentic. In view of the ministry`s country wide work that comprises thousands of crores of projects, Mr. Gadkari ends up giving an impression to the listener of his total involvement and dedication to the job he has been assigned. The speech becomes more than incredible when he gives examples of the crores of rupees he has saved while awarding the contracts which otherwise is a haven for corruption. The minister is also well acquainted with the latest technology in road building and uses the terminologies with great elan. Hearing the minister is always a treat as one can relate his point of view which is more apolitical. It peaks the mind of the common man. He displays

transparency that defies the deeply ingrained hypocrisy of his clan. Mixing a sense of humour with an equal potent of seriousness makes Mr. Gadkari more reliable, the attribute which eludes the politicians in general. I personally find him the mascot of development and perhaps a brand ambassador of the common man.

The second speech which generated a lot of interest and respect was made by Mr. Jyotiraditya Scindia, the minister of civil aviation. Being the son of the late union minister Mr. Madhavrao Scindia has its natural advantage on his side. But Scindia Jr. does not really thrive on the power of legacy that he has inherited, but has worked diligently to prove his mettle. The speech exemplified not only his oratory skills but also the understanding of the ministry that he heads. Having left Congress to join the BJP, Mr. Jyotiraditya had to prove his worth which he is doing and not surprisingly has entered the good books of the prime minister. Normally dynastic politics has its inbuilt limitations that invite the wrath of the common man. They are the targets of nepotism and a burden to the party. However, with the kind of knowledge and an amazing flair of putting forth the thoughts, Mr. Scindia literally stole the show on the floor of the house. He was never at loss stating statistics of turnover, names of airports, the future plans and all that without referring to the notes he had brought along with. Ministers like Jyotiraditya are the future of the country and will have to be watched.

Similarly there are few members of parliament from the opposition parties who have been impressed by their presentations. The only problem is that they are in small numbers and many times the din and pandemonium rob them of the talent which unfortunately has become a scarce commodity.

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Gawand Lawns



One of the biggest days in the life of a person is arguably his or her wedding. The Indian weddings are often referred to as the big fat Indian weddings and catering to such lavish weddings is Thane's very own picturesque Gawand Lawns.

The Gawands have been the residents of Thane from the early 20th century. They had huge land reserves with them back then. They ventured

brehtaking Yeoor Hills in the background. Sanjit Gawand, who runs an engineering workshop, one fine day, pulled a rabbit out of the hat and decided to design an open place for weddings. It took him about seven years to get the wedding venue all decked up. Sanjit says, "Having an open wedding place in a city was going to be a unique concept and I wanted to give the people of this city a feel of



into floral business and soon became the major suppliers of two flowers, namely, Sayali and Chameli (both are types of Jasmine), in Mumbai. Quite evidently when the Gawand family decided to start the wedding business, they named the venue Gawand Lawns.

Sitting comfortably in nature's lap, Gawand Lawns, which is a part of Gawand Baug, run by the Gawand couple; Sanjit and Rupali, is nothing less than a splendid spectacle that is surrounded by lush green trees with

destination wedding, without actually having to travel and splurge on the event. So we developed it as a resort, where the event halls are by the pool side. In addition to the open wedding venue, we also developed a closed wedding hall, for those who wanted to have indoor weddings. One of the best features at our venue is that you can reach the rooms of the bride and groom by car. These rooms are spic and span and the parties involved feel completely at home."



The sprawling Gawand Lawns can easily accommodate 1000-1500 people and the hall has a capacity of 250-300. In order to make this venue client-friendly, the Gawands do not impose the monopoly of a caterer, which is a money gobber feature in a wedding, rather they encourage their clients to have caterers of their choice. Rent, decoration charges, catering, among other expenses are reasonable and do not burn a hole in the pocket of clients in the event of a wedding.

Though the Gawands are mainly the providers of a wedding venue, they have

groom in all possible ways. Apart from just offering our venue, we also provide them with suggestions for shopping, photography, videography, backdrop, decoration, food, among many. Every wedding is a learning experience and we try to incorporate new and better things in the subsequent ones." She further adds, "We like to innovate and experiment. We suggest some

innovations in food, such as mock meat, which is something on the lines of Veg Butter Chicken or Veg Mutton."

She has an excellent event management team, which is



To date, more than 300 weddings have been celebrated at this spectacular Gawand Lawns. Rupali and Sanjit Gawand have played integral parts in the success of Gawand Lawns and with their son, Sahil, joining the business there is seldom any doubt that Thanekars will enjoy one of the best wedding facilities in the city itself.

spread their wings to cover the other facets involved in the mega event. Rupali Gawand is a master in event management and has worked on many challenging assignments in the past. Rupali and her team provide professional event management service to their clients without charging an extra penny.

Rupali says, "Weddings are something that excite me. In every wedding that we host, I get involved as a family member. I assist the families of the bride and

responsible for hospitality and security. Rupali avers, "Having a great team is important in an event like a wedding. I make sure that my team is happy and energized before

the event. In order to assure this, we make sure that they have their food before the start of the event."

In a typical Indian wedding, there are a lot of gold ornaments in use. Therefore security and surveillance is of paramount importance. Rupali shares, "The entire venue is covered by CCTV cameras. A few years back, there was an incident when the bride



mistook her gold bangles as imitated ones and threw them in the dustbin. Later when she realized that they were all real gold-made, she panicked, but thankfully, we were able to trace the bangles and give them back to her. We ensure that complete safety is maintained at the venue."

When it comes to contingencies, the Gawand family is always well-prepared. Rupali recalls, "We



precious ones for the families involved. We endeavour to make it the best for our clients. The process starts right from the booking of the venue to the actual wedding and we are with the clients through it all. Prior to the actual wedding, we also invite our clients to experience the ambience, taste the food and see the decorations." Despite being situated in a

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were organizing a wedding in the month of December. Unexpectedly it started raining. The families involved in the wedding were disappointed but we came to their rescue. We made all the arrangements in our indoor facility in quick time and made all the guests comfortable. Once it stopped pouring, we went outdoors and organized the planned entry of the bride and the groom."

Gawand Lawns is financially inclusive and can be affordable to one and all. Sanjit says, "The memories of a wedding are the most



residential area, Gawand Lawns makes sure that even in the absence of loud sound and procession, the wedding is made memorable with its rich ambience, delectable food and ofcourse warm people.

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Experience a world class food truck at **THE CRAVE TRUCK**

The concept of a food truck is garnering quick popularity in recent times and capitalizing on this development is the latest entrant "The Crave Truck". Started on November 9, 2021 by Sahil Gawand, The Crave Truck offers a world-class experience of the otherwise humble food truck that you may find in your neighbourhood.

Sahil, an alumnus of IHM Mumbai, who completed his masters in hospitality entrepreneurship and innovation from Switzerland, said, "When I was studying in Switzerland, I often saw food truck festivals being conducted in Montreux. Seeking inspiration from that, I thought of starting something similar. Unlike the typical food trucks that we see around us in Thane, I wanted to do something different. Apart from the food, I wanted to offer ambience, quality and hygiene to the customers, which I felt was lacking."

Despite getting a job in the USA, Sahil was forced to come back to India due to COVID-19 pandemic. He took this in his stride and started "The Crave Truck" to realize his dream of offering good quality and



Located at the foothills of Yeoor, "The Crave Truck" makes for a picturesque destination, thanks to the greenery all around. So, if you haven't yet explored "The Crave Truck", now is the time to treat yourself with some delicious food accompanied by a beautiful atmosphere.

With all boxes ticked, The Crave Truck is slowly and steadily turning out to be the best hangout place in Thane.

hygienic food coupled with a cozy and comfortable ambience to his customers.

The Crave Truck offers an exquisite range of items, including pizzas, nachos, wraps, fries, chicken wings, kebabs and shawarmas, just to name a few, that can take your taste buds for a joy ride. Complementing these delectable dishes, there are soothing mocktails and shakes.



TMC and Thane Traffic Police develop three morning walk plazas

Intending to make safe walkways for the enthusiastic morning walkers, Thane Traffic Police and the Thane Municipal Corporation (TMC) are developing three-morning walk plazas from April 1.

Last winter, the Thane Traffic Police had developed a similar concept of 'health corridors', which garnered a tremendous response. The three roads include Mayor Bungalow to Payladevi Temple, Veer Birsamunda Road to Dr. Kashinath Ghanekar Road, and Traffic Police Office in Teen Hath Naka to Dharamveer Anand Dighe Entrance. One lane for these three roads will be barricaded, beautified, and dedicated only for morning walkers from 5.30 am to 8am.

There have been chain snatching incidents early in the morning when most people are out for a jog or a walk. This concept will ensure that the residents can walk freely without the fear of accidents or chain snatchers. Vehicles will not be allowed on this lane. Traffic cops will be patrolling these lanes.



It is also known that the potholes will be filled, roads will be repaired and the lanes will be beautified. Yoga and aerobic sessions could be conducted on these three lanes in the future.

Such places are the need of the hour. The majority of the people have been working from home for the last two years. People need such places for exercise and good health. These three lanes have been open since April 1.

First underground parking facility will be opened in Thane in May

Thane will get its first underground parking facility below the historic Gaondevi Maidan near Thane railway station. The underground parking facility will be opened in early May, as per the Thane Municipal Corporation (TMC) officials.

The 4330 square meter underground parking facility can house 250 vehicles, including 130 cars and 120 two-wheelers. Such a facility will ease the traffic near the Thane railway station premises caused due to the shortage of proper parking spaces.

The underground parking will be a paid parking facility and the corporation's first plaza near Thane station. The cost of the project is around ₹26Cr.

The facility is equipped with a car lift, passenger elevator, sufficient ventilation, fire



fighting equipment, and electric arrangements. The parking will have an entry point from Gaondevi temple while an exit from the scout and guide building. Apart from charging for hourly parking, the corporation also contemplates a monthly pass for night parking.

The Gaondevi ground is one of the few open spaces in the city. There was a lot of opposition

to developing the underground parking facility, fearing the

destruction of the ground. A few activists had approached the High Court seeking clarity on the corporation's plans to restore the ground to its earlier status.

As per the TMC officials, once the work of the parking facility is completed, they will restore the ground to its earlier status. Probably by monsoon, the ground will be restored. The parking is underground, so after the construction of parking, the soil will be backfilled over the top slab. It will be leveled with the existing ground level.



A section of Thane-Bhiwandi-Kalyan Metro to be underground

Eknath Shinde, state urban development minister, recently confirmed that a section of Metro Line 5 (Thane-Bhiwandi-Kalyan) running through Unnat Nagar in Bhiwandi will be taken underground. This is a very good decision on the part of the state government since it would save 735 buildings from being razed.

Shinde also mentioned that those displaced due to the project would be provided housing under the MMRDA rental housing scheme, while affected shop owners would also get 225 sq ft shops.

At present, the cost of the project is estimated to be Rs. 8,417 crore. However, the recent development to take a section of Metro Line 5 underground is expected to increase the cost of the project by an additional Rs. 400 crore.



1st Torrent JITO half-marathon flagged off on March 20 in Thane



The first edition of the Torrent JITO half marathon was organized on March 20, in collaboration with Thane Municipal Corporation (TMC), Tata Memorial Hospital, CREDAI-MCHI Thane, and Shree Mahavir Jain Hospital.

The aim of this marathon was to spread

awareness for cancer among people. 'Run for Cancer' is a project which aims to build a cancer hospital with support of Tata Cancer Hospital, TMC and JITO hospital.

The event saw tremendous participation from sports enthusiasts and brought together professional runners,

beginners, and people from all walks of life. TMC Commissioner Dr. Vipin Sharma along with his wife participated in the half marathon.

Garnering a massive participation, this first edition of Torrent JITO half marathon was one of the biggest events in Thane.



Launch Of Premium Tea Lounge at Radisson Blu Resort & Spa Karjat

Radisson Blu Resort & Spa Karjat launched their Premium Tea Lounge in presence of General Manager Santanu Guha Roy and Master Tea Sommelier Rajiv Lochan.

Tea Lounge is one of the most ambitious projects of Radisson Blu Karjat and has a scenic vibe attached to it.

The hotel takes pride in collaborating with the very distinguished Teaswan, known worldwide for its premium, purest and exotic range of teas.

Tea lounge boasts of more than 50 varieties of Tea with health and wellness benefits, That includes Detox tea, Herbal Tea, Blue Tea, Peach & Litchi, Paan Ice Tea, Rose Tea, Five Spice Tea and many more.

At Tea lounge they don't just serve tea, there are quick bites to compliment your blissful sips of tea including smoked baby corn ,chicken pockets and some yummy cinnamon cookies.

GM Shantanu Guha Roy who comes with the brand-new vision for the property was elated on the launch and said **"At our**



property we are focusing on wellness so we decided to open a Tea Lounge where the visitors get to experience the most cherished beverage which is Tea. This was something new that we wanted our customers to experience."

The event included live tea brewing with specifications of teas, Executive Chef of Radisson Blu Karjat Rajiv Kumar Bhardwaj demonstrated the methods of brewing various kinds of tea which were later sampled

by influencers and connoisseurs present, Chef has also curated special collection of cookies to go along with the signature teas.

Guest of honour Rajiv Lochan addressed the connoisseurs present and shared the history, experiences and innovations of Tea. He quoted

"This was my dream, to educate People in India about Tea and the different benefits of this beverage. So now you can come to Radisson Blu Karjat to experience our Teas. Through this Tea Lounge We bring this passion to our consumers with multiple range of Teas. As Tea is one beverage that can give you health benefits provided you know the right way to brew it and right time to have it."

This launch was also attended by television celebrities Sonal Vengurlekar and Lataa Saberwal.

Tea connoisseurs were delighted to know about the sagas of tea and their wellness benefits and also experienced the serenity in every sip.



Curtain comes down on **PROPERTY 2022 THANE** with excellent response from home seekers



The curtain came down on the highly successful 19th edition of CREDAI MCHI Thane's property and home finance expo, PROPERTY 2022 THANE. "The response from home seekers has exceeded expectations," said a visibly elated Jitendra Mehta, President, CREDAI MCHI Thane. "Not just have there been bookings during the event, we have also seen home seekers make the initial move in the expo, with a follow up over the next few days, in effect, making their dream homes a reality – in Thane," he added.

As the expo wound up, the Police Commissioner, Thane, Jai Jeet Singh (IPS) visited the venue. He appreciated the safe and secure environment in which the expo was conducted.

Total Registrations at Venue: 8,950
Total Online Registrations: 13,500
No. of Site Visits during Expo: 3,700
No. of Flats Booked during the Expo: 221
Quantum of Home Loans sanctioned: Rs. 750 cr.

The last day of the expo also saw Thane Estate Agents Association (TEAA) organize a Realtor' Conclave at the expo venue. "Knowledge sharing at the Conclave will ensure Thane's real estate has a healthy future," said Jitendra Mehta.

The expo venue this time, Raymond Grounds, Pokhran Road 1, Thane west was closer to the city centre, and this has made a major difference to the convenience factor for expo visitors, said Manish Khandelwal, Hon. Secretary,

CREDAI MCHI Thane. "The venue provided a wide range of choices, all under one roof, which was appreciated by expo visitors. It was a vast array of options, which created the perfect platform to select one's dream home in Thane," he added.

The bus service also played a major role in making it easier for home seekers to visit the event, said Gaurav Sharma, CREDAI MCHI Thane Hon. Treasurer. "The expo was back on demand from home seekers post the two years

when the pandemic did not allow the event to happen, and we were pleasantly surprised by the good turnout, as also the large number of serious enquiries which will be followed up for conversion into sales over the next few days," he added.

Thane is evolving into a global city, and for home seekers, it is among the best options in the Mumbai Metropolitan Region, said Ajay Ashar, Immediate Past President, CREDAI MCHI Thane. "The expo has been instrumental in many home seekers getting a variety of options, and I am sure most visitors to the expo found their dream home, in the dream city of Thane, at the ideal home selection platform: PROPERTY 2022 THANE," he concluded.



Tantalize your taste buds at FISH CURRY RICE

Are you craving to have fresh, home-like and delectable fish? Don't worry we have the perfect solution to cater to your craving. It is none other than Fish Curry Rice, a Pune based restaurant that made its way to Thane in November 2021. After running four successful outlets in Pune across Kothrud, Baner, Tilak Road and Viman Nagar, for more than a decade, Sanyog Matkari, the owner of Thane's branch of Fish Curry Rice decided to spread the sheer happiness of serving fish and that is when he came to the city of lakes.

Matkari said, "Fish Curry

Adekar, Atul Parchure, Mahesh Kothare, Mohan Joshi, Rashmi Uday Singh, just to name a few have also visited Fish Curry Rice and they simply loved the food here." Food critic Kunal Vijaykar has also showered praise on Fish Curry Rice and has been a frequent visitor of Thane and Pune branches.

Unlike the typical seafood restaurants, Fish Curry Rice, situated near Manpada, offers an exquisite variety of fish dishes that have a classic blend of Maharashtrian touch as well as the Goan feel. The fish is fresh and the preparations are inspired by Saraswat style, which are not too oily and



Rice was started in Pune in 2009 by Sudhir Bhat. After serving the people for more than 10 years, Sudhir Bhat's son, Sandesh, thought of spreading the wings. Thane was shortlisted as the next destination for Fish Curry Rice and that is when I came into the picture. I believe that Thane is quite cosmopolitan and people here are avid lovers of seafood. It has been just four months that I started my operations here but the response from the people has been tremendous. Celebrities like Bhau Kadam, Kushal Badrike, Viju Mane, Vinay

spicy. They are suitable to everybody's palate. Matkari added, "We source fresh fish everyday because we know that nothing can beat the taste of a fresh fish. Apart from the usual fish varieties like, Pomfret, Surmai, Rawas, Mori, Prawns, Bangada, Tisarya, and ofcourse crabs, we also serve other unique fish varieties such as Savandali, Muddusha, Verlya, Kalav, Mandeli, Ghol, Dadha, which are seldom seen elsewhere. Our signature dishes include but are not restricted to Bombil Thecha, Prawns Aluwadi, Pomfret Pedavan, Bharlela Bangada. Also our



specialty is our welcome drink which is Tival." Though Fish Curry Rice, as the name would suggest is a fish-specialty place, they do serve vegetarian cuisine as well as Chicken and Mutton dishes.

As a mark of appreciation for serving the best quality seafood, recently, Sanyog Matkari, the owner of Fish

Curry Rice (Thane) won the Times Group Award for the "Best Casual Dining SeaFood Restaurant" in Thane.

So, if you want to treat yourself with a blissful culinary experience, then we reckon, visit Fish Curry Rice, because there you are guaranteed with utmost happiness and satisfaction.





Thane's real estate prices are slowly catching up with Mumbai's

How did this price gap bridge? It's a combination of factors:

1) Decentralization of economic activity:

There was a time around two decades ago when all key economic activity presided primarily in South Bombay at locations like Fort, Nariman Point, etc. that ensured the surrounding areas fetched a steep premium whereas all the distant others languished. New business districts were later created elsewhere, bringing several other locations into consideration.

2) Connectivity: It is undeniable that infrastructure connectivity has been inadequate in the Mumbai Metropolitan Region (MMR). It is also equally undeniable that there has been a degree of improvement. That has meant the workforce is able to stay in distant areas and yet travel to their workplace.

3) Quality of projects: There is no market where top developers are slugging it out in the manner that is happening in Thane. The availability of large parcels of land has allowed developers to enter this market with competitive and credible offerings. Given the availability of land, almost every project offers social and recreational amenities like a swimming pool, gym, banquet hall, walking track and the like. Indeed, the choice for many has now come to mean a small apartment by a local developer with no amenities in Mumbai

Living in the shadow of Mumbai for decades, Thane is slowly but steadily garnering popularity among the home buyers. In the recent development in the real estate market, it is known that the prices of the upcoming Oberoi project in Thane will match those of its Mulund project in Mumbai.

versus a bigger apartment by a branded developer with amenities in Thane.

4) Familiar surroundings: Housing is often local. There is no empirical data on this but it is believed that three-fourths of all demand for a new project is sourced from nearby areas. That means homebuyers will prefer to upgrade within their own locality than relocate into a different micro-market—even if the other micro-market is perceived as being more up-market.

5) Market being project-specific: There was a phase when the price gap between a good building and a not so good building on the same street was marginal. Location was everything. Today that phenomenon hardly exists. Projects matter. Hence, it's not uncommon to see the price gap between two buildings next to each other be as high as 25-30 percent. Quality offerings are able to demand a premium while poor projects are discounted.

6) Governance: It is no secret that civic amenities have been on a downward spiral in Mumbai over the last few decades. Governance has suffered with many homebuyers concluding that paying steep prices just to reside in 'Mumbai' is simply not a productive decision.

At a macro level, home prices in Thane have performed better than that of Mumbai in the last decade. According to data from real estate analytics firm Liasas Foras, home prices in Thane were only 36 percent of the prices of Mumbai city in 2009-10. Since then, it has outperformed Mumbai. Yet even today rates in Thane are 50 percent of the rates in Mumbai.

Mumbai has an inherent economic strength that is hard to displace. But Thane will continue to gain and narrow the gap in property prices to Mumbai. The peak probably will be its rates reaching 55-60 percent that of Mumbai prices.

The game changer for several parts of the MMR was undoubtedly going to be the Mumbai Metro. Its integrated development had the potential to bring about sharp changes in prices across the board. Ever since progress on that has slowed, it is anyone's guess when the outcome would materialise.

What is certain is this: If Thane's administration raises its game, a future divorce battle will not be fought by making a sharp distinction between Thane and Mumbai.

Source: Moneycontrol

India's happiness index better than only Afghanistan among South Asian nations

Last month, the United Nations Sustainable Development Solutions Network published the 10th edition of the World Happiness Report. While it was not at all surprising to see Finland topping the list for the fifth straight time, it was quite shocking to see India lagging behind some of its Asian counterparts like Nepal, Bangladesh, Pakistan and Sri Lanka.

While some may celebrate India's three places jumping from 139 to 136, it is important to note that the country is behind the aforementioned neighbours by some margin. From the World Happiness Report it can be seen that Nepal is ranked 84th, Bangladesh 94th, Pakistan 121st and Sri Lanka 127th. Among the South Asian nations, only Taliban-ruled Afghanistan fared worse than India. Afghanistan was named the most unhappy country in the world, ranking last on the index of 146 countries. The Happiness report also stated that India was one among the countries that witnessed, over the past 10 years, a fall in life evaluations by more than a full point



on the 0 to 10 scale.

How is the happiness quotient evaluated by the United Nations Sustainable Development Solutions Network in the World Happiness Report? Factors such as GDP, social support, personal freedom, and levels of corruption in each nation are taken into account for measuring the levels of happiness.

Finland, which topped the list, was followed by Denmark, Iceland, Switzerland, and the Netherlands. The United States, on the other hand, managed to bag the 16th position with Britain and France taking 17th and 20th ranks respectively.

The latest list was completed before the Russian invasion of Ukraine.

Kalyan's Sacred Heart School replants trees to save environment



Sacred Heart School in Kalyan won many hearts as the school decided to work on the mission to save 20 trees that would be otherwise axed for widening the Kalyan-Murbad national highway. In a thoughtful move by the school to protect the environment, the concerned school authorities obtained



permission from the forest department, uprooted as many as 12 trees till March 22 and replanted them in the protected area of the forest department.

The National Highways Authority of India, which will be widening a portion of national highway number 61 (from Kalyan up to

Murbad), has proposed to cut 450 trees on the stretch. Albin Anthony, chief operating officer of the Sacred Heart School confirmed that as a first step, the school has decided to save at least 20 trees by replanting them. Prior to this, it is known that the school has replanted trees earlier too on the said forest land.

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