

ONGC explores setting up waste treatment plant at Sonsodo

Team Herald

MARGAO: In a potential game-changer for Margao's long standing waste management woes, the Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (ONGC) is exploring the possibility of setting up a waste treatment plant at the Sonsodo dump yard as part of its Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) efforts.

The proposal, if finalised, could bring much-needed relief to the city, which has grappled with the issue of waste disposal for several years. Sonsodo, the site of Margao's primary garbage dump, has been a source of environmental concern and public criticism due to its mismanagement and lack of long-term solutions.

Reacting to the development,



Margao MLA Digambar Kamat confirmed ongoing discussions with ONGC officials but clarified that no final decision has been made.

"We had a meeting in this re-

gard, wherein ONGC officials expressed their interest in establishing a waste treatment plant in Goa, with one each in both districts," Kamat stated.

While the MLA welcomed the

idea in principle, he stressed the need for careful examination of the proposal. "We are ready to welcome the proposal, but it needs to be studied thoroughly before moving forward," he added.

The initiative, still in its preliminary stage, signals a possible partnership between public institutions and corporate entities to tackle environmental challenges. If successful, the ONGC project could serve as a model for sustainable waste management in Goa and inspire similar collaborations across the state.

Citizens and local stakeholders are now waiting for concrete developments, hopeful that this proposal might finally offer a viable, long-term solution to the waste management crisis at Sonsodo.

Two still critical after Shirgao Zatra; inquiry panel submits report

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PANJIM: The condition of two persons injured in the stampede during the Shirgao zatra last week continues to be critical, while four out of the 15 patients were on Thursday shifted from the trauma and emergency ward to the medicine ward of Goa Medical College and Hospital (GMC), Bambolim.

GMC Dean Dr Shivanand M Bandekar said, "Two persons are still critical and they are on ventilator. We had admitted 17 patients and they are stable. One patient who had suffered a rib injury was discharged as he had to perform the last rites of his father who had died in the stampede at Shirgao on May 2."

On Wednesday, four patients were discharged, while on Thursday, four were shifted to the medicine ward and are likely to be discharged within a day or two.

Gauttam from Amadgaon, Dodamarg, said, "My uncle was seriously injured in the stampede. He is still undergoing treatment."

Ganesh Gawade, aged 60, from Cuncolim, Ponda, is also undergoing treatment at GMC. A 16-year-old boy is also among the injured admitted in the hospital.

Six persons, including two women and a 17-year-old boy, were killed and more than 70 persons injured in the stampede that occurred in the early hours of May 2.

Meanwhile, the inquiry committee led by Revenue Secretary Sandeep Jacques has submitted its report to

the government.

The comprehensive report, which runs to 100 pages, was reportedly handed in late on Thursday night.

A statement from the Chief Minister's Office (CMO) confirmed, "The Fact-Finding Committee has submitted its report. The Government is currently examining the findings. A formal statement will be made by the Chief Minister upon completion of the review."

CHANGE OF NAME

I, ANURADHA DEVI GAUR, wife of Mr Mukesh Chandra Gaur r/o Md Acon Bambolim Army Camp, Goa & Permanent Resident of Vill - Shanti Vihar Phase-1, Post-Banjarawala, PS - Dehradun, District- Dehradun, State- Uttarakhand, PIN- 248121. Have change my name from **ANURADHA DEVI GAUR** to **ANURADHA DEVI GAUR**. Hereafter in all my dealings and document. I will be known by the name **ANURADHA DEVI GAUR**.

PEACE HEAVEN 'A' CO-OPERATIVE HOUSING SOCIETY LTD., PORVORIM BARDEZ GOA

NOTICE

Ms. Maria Hortencia Lia Barboza and Mrs. Maria Lorraine Carlotta Barboza Dick legal heirs of late Shri. Edgar Jose Narciso Barboza, holder of share certificate No. 6 pertaining to shares nos 51 to be in respect of flat S-2 in the Building at Porvorim Goa have reported that shares certificate in the name of their father is untraceable and hence requested for fresh certificate.

The Society hereby invited claims or objection from any claimant/s objector/s to the issue of fresh certificate in their joint names on completions of transfer formalities, within a period of 15 days from the date of publication of the notice, with copies of such documents and proofs in support of their claim for issuance of certificate.

If no claims are received within the period prescribed above; the society shall be free to deal with the request.

For on behalf of
Sd/-
Secretary
The Peace Heaven 'A' Co-operative Housing Society Ltd., Porvorim Goa

CHANGE OF NAME

I, BABITA RAYMONA PERPETUA D COSTA, r/o H. No. 191/3, Milagres Chapel, D'mello Ward, Carmona, Salcette Goa, has changed my name from **BABITA RAYMONA PERPETUA D COSTA E GOMES** to **BABITA RAYMONA PERPETUA D COSTA**.

Hereafter, in all my dealings and documents, I will be known by the name **BABITA RAYMONA PERPETUA D COSTA**.
Sd/- **BABITA RAYMONA PERPETUA D COSTA**

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to the public that one of my client desires to purchase from its owners, Mr. Jeffrey Pio Christopher De Souza and Mrs. Rebecca Jane De Souza both r/o H.No. 436 and 437, Danaus, Tivim, Bardez, Goa an undivided share admeasuring 6656 sq. mtrs of the property bearing survey no. 95/1N of Village Tivim, which is described in the Schedule below, free from all encumbrances.

Any Person / Bank / Financial Institution etc., claiming any right or interest in the said property by way of sale, gift, lease, mortgage, charge, inheritance, succession, survivorship, easement, way, or otherwise is hereby required to intimate the same to me in writing together with supporting documents, **within 15 days** from the date of publication of this notice, failing which the sale transaction shall be completed without reference to any such claim or objection and the same, if any, shall be deemed to have been waived.

SCHEDULE

ALL THAT undivided right and share admeasuring **6656** sq. mtrs of the property known as "**RANEANCHEMBATT**" or "**ZURZULEMBATT**" bearing survey no. **95/1N** of village Tivim, admeasuring 8406 sq. mtrs situated at Tivim, Bardez, Goa, within the limits of Village Panchayat of Tivim, Taluka and Registration Sub District of Bardez, North Goa District, State of Goa, which property is neither described in the Land Registration Office nor enrolled in the Taluka Revenue Office. The said property is bounded as under: North : Remaining portion of 95/1 and survey no. 95/1E; South: Remaining portion of 95/1; East: Konkarn Railway; West: Public Road.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Public is hereby informed that my clients desire to purchase from **Khamo Estate Holdings Private Limited**, represented by its director **Mr. Marius Antonio Gerard Monteiro**, the property particularly described in the Schedule here in underwritten.

Any person/persons, including banks, financial institutions and other organizations, having any right, claim, interest or objection to the proposed sale by virtue of inheritance, mortgage, lien or any other mode are called upon to file their objections with the undersigned **Advocate within 10 days** from the publication of this notice, failing which it will be presumed that the said owners have a clear and marketable title and the sale transaction between my client and the said owners will be completed.

SCHEDULE

ALL that property denominated "**RIRANCHE BHATLE**" or "**WIRANCHE BHATLE**" situated within the jurisdiction of the Village Panchayat of Parra, Taluka and Sub-District of Bardez, District of North Goa, not known to be inscribed or described in the Land Registration Office of Bardez at Mapusa nor enrolled in the Taluka Revenue Office, surveyed for the record of rights under survey no. 1/5 of the Revenue Village of Parra, admeasuring approximately **1425** sq. mts. and bounded as follows:

NORTH: By property bearing survey no. 1/3; **SOUTH:** By properties bearing survey no. 1/6 and 1/7; **EAST:** By properties bearing survey nos. 2/3, 2/4 and 2/5; **WEST:** By the road.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to bring to the Notice of the General Public that my Client intends to purchase a property from **MR. SHAILESH KRISHNAKANT ABHISHEKI and SMT. KAMALA KRISHNAKANT ABHISHEKI**, resident of Mangueshi, Mardol - Goa, i.e. the Undivided part of property admeasuring 2,150 Sq. Mtrs., being Part of the bigger property i.e. Plot A-2 of property Dayal Sinai Bata or Dayal Sinay or even property Dayal Shenoy lying within Survey No. 44 (Part) of Mungueshi Village, Taluka and Sub - district Ponda, District North Goa, admeasuring 8,815 square meters, more specifically described in Schedule I and Schedule -II hereunder.

Any person/persons, Banks or any Financial Institutions, having any claim, right, title or interest, in/over the below mentioned property or any other legally enforceable right, title, interest, possession, charge, easement or claim, whether by way of ownership, tenancy, prior sale or development agreement or any other claim whether by way of ownership, tenancy, prior sale or development agreement or any other claim whatsoever relating to the said plots shall make it known to the undersigned at the address given below in writing and along with documentary evidence within 15 days from the date of publication of this notice, failing which it shall be deemed that there are no claims or objections from anyone to the proposed sale in favour of my Client and that my Client shall thereafter be free to complete the same on the expiry of the notice period without any reference to such claims and objections from any person/persons, Banks or any Financial Institutions whatsoever and the same shall be deemed to have been waived for all legal practical purposes and shall not be entertained thereafter.

SCHEDULE

All that Undivided part of property admeasuring 2,150 Sq. Mtrs., being Part of the bigger property i.e. Plot A-2 of property Dayal Sinai Bata or Dayal Sinay or even property Dayal Shenoy lying within Survey No. 44 (Part) of Mungueshi Village, Taluka and Sub - district Ponda, District North Goa, admeasuring 8,815 square meters which is not described in the Office of Land Registrar (Conservatoria do Registo Pre-dial). But it is registered as a whole in Taluka Revenue Office (Matriz Predial) surveyed under no. 644, 646 and 661 and is identified in the Survey records of village Priol under Survey No. 44/1-B. The said Plot is A-2 is bounded as under:

Towards the East: Partly by National Highway beyond which lies the Plot D now belonging to Krishnakant M. Abhisheki and partly by property of Shripad Cuncolimcar.

Towards the West: By property Plot B-2 of Jitendra Abhisheki and partly by property of the temple of Shri. Mangesh. **Towards the North:** By Property of Shripad Cuncolimcar. **Towards the South:** By tenmetre-wide reserved road after lies the Plot A - one now belonging to the said Krishnakant Abhisheki.

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Curtorim MLA urges action to prevent Sonsodo leachate flow

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MARGAO: With the monsoon season on the horizon, Curtorim MLA Alexio Reginaldo Lourenco has once again raised the alarm over the persistent issue of leachate and wet waste flowing onto public roads from garbage trucks transporting waste to the Sonsodo dump yard.

He has called on Margao Municipal Council to act immediately to avoid further inconvenience to commuters—particularly those from the Curtorim constituency.

Following an on-site inspection at Sonsodo on Friday, Lourenco made it clear that this year, there must be no repeat of the annual monsoon nightmare where roads become hazardous due to leaking leachate from waste trucks.

"The problem of leachate flowing onto the roads is not being faced by residents of Margao or Fatorda but by the people of Curtorim. This needs to be addressed immediately," he stated.

The MLA suggested that the current access route used by garbage trucks be diverted to minimize the impact on public roads. He also recalled that in the past, he had personally taken the initiative to create a system of traps and drains to contain the leachate and prevent it from spilling

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onto the roads, though sustained efforts are needed to ensure long-term results.

While the Sonsodo waste dump falls under the jurisdiction of the Margao Municipal Council (MMC), Lourenco expressed his frustration over the lack of action despite repeated concerns.

"Even though Sonsodo is under the MMC, I, as the MLA of Curtorim, have shown consistent interest in resolving this issue because it directly affects my constituents," he said.

Residents of Curtorim have often voiced their dissatisfaction with the neglect of the problem, especially during the rainy season when roads become slippery and unhygienic due to the waste runoff.

Lourenco has urged the municipal authorities to work proactively this year and ensure that all necessary preventive measures are in place before the monsoon begins.

Crocodile attack on woman, livestock leave Saton-Dabal villagers shell shocked

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PONDA: Villagers at Saton-Dabal are living in fear following a series of crocodile attacks, including a shocking assault on a woman and subsequent attacks on livestock. The locals are now urging authorities to take action to address the growing threat and restore their daily routine, which has long depended on the Dudhsagar River.

The first incident occurred on Tuesday morning when two crocodiles attacked Visranti Naik while she was washing clothes in the river. Thankfully, she survived the attack, but the incident has left the village shaken. The fear escalated when, on Wednesday night, a crocodile attacked a calf at Davkon, located downstream. The villagers, returning from their work, managed to rescue the animal.

In response to the threat, locals took matters into their own hands, lighting firecrackers along the riverbank in an attempt to drive the crocodiles away. At the same time, the Forest Department acted swiftly by installing signboards in both Konkani and English, warning people not to wash, swim, or fish in the river due to the presence of crocodiles.

RFO Ravi Shirordkar led a team from the Forest Department to inspect the riverbank in Collem after the calf attack. The inspection revealed that wet waste, including food scraps, had been dumped along the riverbank, attracting both cattle and crocodiles. The forest officials



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urged the villagers to avoid dumping waste in the area to prevent further attacks on stray cattle.

Following the crocodile attacks, the villagers have demanded that the water stored in the Ambe Bandhara be released to drive the crocodiles away. In response, the Water Resources Department (WRD) removed a plate to release some water, as per the Forest Department's instructions. However, villagers have claimed that the Bandhara still holds sufficient water, and they believe that more water should be drained to encourage the crocodiles to leave. The construction of the Bandhara three years ago has led to the accumulation of water, creating an ideal breeding ground for crocodiles, which the villagers believe has contributed to the recent attacks. The Bandhara water is also used to supply the OPA Treatment Plant during the summer months.

Bethora locals demand hot-mixing of main village road before monsoon

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PONDA: Residents of Bethora are calling for the hot-mixing of a two-kilometre stretch of the village's main road, which was previously dug up for various development works. Locals are concerned about the deteriorating condition of the road and the potential hardships they may face during the upcoming monsoon season.

The villagers expressed their frustration over the road's condition last year, when they faced significant difficulties during the monsoon due to large craters and rough patches. The condition worsened throughout the season, causing

heavy dust pollution, which continued until the Ganesh Chaturthi festival. Many commuters, including those heading to the nearby industrial estate, had to endure jolts while travelling on the crater-ridden road.

The road in question runs from Bethora Kanneval Main Junction to Devazad at the Industrial Estate, a crucial route for both local and heavy vehicles. Following public outcry, the road was temporarily patched up last year, but the makeshift repairs have only made the surface more uneven. With the monsoon approaching, residents are worried that the road will once again become impassable, leading to a repeat of last year's difficulties.

shorttakes

MINOR GIRL KIDNAPPED FROM TALEIGAO RESCUED IN TRIPURA; ACCUSED ARRESTED

PANJIM: The Panjim Police have rescued a minor girl who was kidnapped from Taleigao on April 30, 2025. According to police, on May 1, 2025, Tapan Kumar Payra from Vodlem Bhat, Taleigao, and native of West Bengal lodged a complaint stating that on May 30, 2025, unknown accused person kidnapped his minor daughter from his lawful guardianship and confined her secretly. An offence was registered and investigation taken up. The Panjim Town Police Station traced the victim and rescued her from the clutches of Biplab Das from Tripura. The team was led by PI Vijaykumar Chodankar apprehended the accused and rescued the victim girl under the overall supervision of Rahul Gupta, IPS, Superintendent of Police (North) and Sudesh Naik, SDPO, Panjim. She was traced to South Tripura on May 7 and safely rescued. The accused, Biplab Das, a resident of Patichari, South Tripura, has been arrested.

COMPLAINT FILED AFTER ASSAULT BY RECKLESS DRIVER IN BENAULIM

MARGAO: Antonio Rodrigues, a resident of Benaulim, Salcete, has filed a complaint with Colva Police, stating that he was assaulted by an unknown individual after a near-miss incident involving a car. The incident occurred on May 3, 2025, between 8 pm and 8.30 pm, near Joe Liquor and Supermarket. Rodrigues reported that an unidentified person was driving a car, registered in Maharashtra (MH), in a reckless and negligent manner, endangering the lives of pedestrians, including himself. When Rodrigues questioned the driver about the dangerous driving, the accused allegedly responded by assaulting him with punches to the face, leaving him with grievous injuries. The accused fled the scene after the attack. A further investigation is underway, with PSI Manju Vantamuri of Colva Police Station handling the case.

MAJOR ACCIDENT AVERTED AT CURCHOREM AS TRUCK IGNORES TRAFFIC CIRCLE

CURCHOREM: A major road accident was averted near the Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Chowk at Curchorem when a 12-wheeler truck from Karnataka, transporting concrete to the Cacora Industrial Estate, dangerously violated traffic rules by taking a wrong turn and bypassing the designated traffic circle. The reckless manoeuvre nearly caused a head-on collision with Police Officer Nilesh Desai, who was travelling from Sanguem to Curchorem in a four-wheeler. Quick reflexes prevented a major crash, but the incident highlighted growing concerns over traffic violations by heavy vehicles in the area. The Curchorem police have since detained the truck driver for questioning and further investigation. Authorities are examining whether negligence, unfamiliarity with local routes, or disregard for road safety played a role in the incident. Police officials have urged truck drivers and transport operators to strictly follow road signage and traffic patterns to avoid life-threatening situations, especially in densely trafficked areas.

TRUCK RAMS HOUSE IN CUNCOLIM, INJURES RESIDENT

MARGAO: A Mumbai-based driver, Bhdhishwar Kadam, was booked after his Ashok Leyland vehicle lost control on a curve at Maddicotto, Cuncolim, crashing into a general store and a house. The impact caused the house walls to collapse, injuring resident Pritish Lotlikar. Cuncolim Police registered a case under Sections 281 and 125(a) of BNS and are investigating.

power shutdown

BARDEZ-PERNEM: On May 10, from 6 am to 2 pm. Areas affected are Bardez and Pernem taluka. Restricted supply will be made available to essential loads like District hospital, Assnora Water Works, Mopa Airport etc from Thivim substation. For Bicholim taluka power will be available from Amona substation with restriction to all HT consumers.

CURTORIM: On May 10, from 9 am to 4 pm. Affected area are Sonvioxem and Ullando.

SANGUEM: On May 10, from 9 am to 5.30 pm. Affected areas are Dando, R N Karpe Petrol pump and surrounding areas.

BICHOIM: On May 10, from 9 am to 2 pm. Affected area are Jogiwada, Muslimwada near Sai Service, IDC Road Muslim Wada, Near Rotary Club and Surrounding areas.

PANJIM: On May 11, from 9.30 am to 5.30 pm. Affected area are Goa Urban Bank, Precy building, Malo wado, Alto Guimaraes area and nearby Surrounding areas.

CURTORIM: On May 11, from 9 am to 4 pm. Affected areas are Bhatti and Sandeule.

CORLIM-OLD GOA: On May 11, from 6.30 am to 2 pm. Areas affected are entire Old Goa village panchayat area, Carambolim village panchayat area, Corlim village panchayat area, Khumbharjua village panchayat area, St Estevam village panchayat area, Diwar village panchayat area, Choroa village panchayat area, Dhulapi, Mollar, Old Industry Estate, New Industry Estate, Kadamba Plateau, Baiguinim entire area fed from Corlim Sub Station of Sub Division I.