

Kapileshwari nullah turns into dumping ground for waste and garbage

Industrial, hotel waste, sewage, plastic, thermocol choke Ponda's main waterway; polluted water flowing into fields forces farmers to abandon agriculture

Team Herald

PONDA: The once-pristine Kapileshwari nullah—considered Ponda's main waterway and formerly a lifeline for agriculture, bathing, and washing—has now become a dumping ground for industrial waste, hotel waste, sewage, plastic, thermocol and other waste.

Despite lakhs of rupees being spent annually by the Water Resources Department (WRD) on cleaning and desilting, indiscriminate garbage dumping continues unabated.

Flowing through Bethora, Curti, Ponda Municipal Council (PMC), Kavlem, and Bandora before merging into the Zuari River, the nullah is visibly littered with plastic waste near bandharas, posing a serious flood risk during the monsoon.

Untreated industrial effluents have also been



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reported upstream, sometimes resulting in dead fish surfacing in the water. Despite inspections by local panchayats and the Pollution Control Board, these violations persist. Internal tributaries feeding into the main nullah also carry heavy waste loads.

The PMC has issued multiple notices to individuals

discharging waste water into the nullah and has encouraged locals to connect to the sewage system. However, there remains no effective mechanism to stop people arriving on two- and four-wheelers from dumping garbage directly into the water.

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downstream at Kavlem and Bandora who heavily depended on its water for irrigation. Farmers complain that the waste-laden water flowing into their fields is causing rashes and health complications, forcing many to abandon fields.

In a bid to mitigate the issue, the WRD has recently installed steel nets on all six culverts to prevent waste

dumping from vehicles.

Ponda MLA and Agriculture Minister Ravi Naik, visibly upset over the repeated dumping, said, "The locals residing in the Panchayats and PMC areas need to be civilised. Every year, the nullah is desilted, but the dumping continues. People must act responsibly. The PMC collects garbage door-to-

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He further urged residents to take sewage connections to help keep the water body clean.

PMC Chairperson Anand Naik also appealed to citizens to cooperate in maintaining cleanliness in the city.

Husband sentenced to life for murdering wife

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MARGAO: The Principal District and Sessions Court, South Goa, has sentenced 30-year-old Gulshan Tirke to life imprisonment for the murder of his wife, whom he stabbed with a knife on Diwali day in 2021. The court also directed Tirke to pay a fine of Rs 1 lakh, failing which he will have to undergo additional imprisonment.

According to Maina Curtorim Police, the incident took place in a rented room in the St Jose area, where the couple had been residing. On the day of the incident, Tirke stabbed his 20-year-old wife, Basanti, following a quarrel. After committing the crime, he fled the scene with the weapon.

Police arrested Tirke later that night from one of the rooms constructed at a nearby crusher site. A case under Section 302 of the Indian Penal Code was registered against him, and the matter was subsequently charge-sheeted. During the investigation, police took the accused

back to the crime scene as part of the inquiry.

The couple, originally from Jharkhand, reportedly had frequent domestic disputes. Police stated that the accused had lost a hand while working on a crusher site some years ago, but the owner had retained him as a supervisor with a regular salary. Police further revealed that Tirke had grown suspicious of his wife's fidelity, which led to repeated arguments. On Diwali, an argument escalated, and in a fit of rage, he picked up a knife from the house and fatally stabbed her.

The critically injured woman was rushed to the South Goa District Hospital in Margao, where she later succumbed to her injuries. A team from Maina Curtorim Police Station, led by then PI Sagar Ekosker (now DySP), visited the site, conducted the legal formalities, prepared a panchanama, and collected information from locals.

The court examined 15 witnesses during the trial. Public Prosecutor Sanjay Samant represented the State.

Alcoholism among women rising, warns AA trustee during Goa visit

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CHANGE IN NAME

I am holder of Passport No. E3107506 and expired on dated 04/09/2012, r/o. H. No.408, Carriamoddi Cacora Churchore South Goa, do hereby change my name from Sabina Mohammed Jafar Patel to SHAHINA MOHAMMAD JAFFAR SHAIKH My Father Name is changed from Fakir Mohammed to FAKIR MOHAMMAD; My Mother Name is changed from Zaiunnissa Fakir Mohammed to JAIBUNISSA FAKIR MOHAMMAD; My Spouse Name is changed from Patel Mohammed Jafar Samsuddin to MOHAMMAD JAFFAR SHAIKH; I also undertake to carry out this name change in all my documents of myself, My Father, My Mother, Spouse Names & will be known as SHAHINA MOHAMMAD JAFFAR SHAIKH; FAKIR MOHAMMAD; JAIBUNISSA FAKIR MOHAMMAD & MOHAMMAD JAFFAR SHAIKH respectively.

eight percent of all individuals who consume alcohol are addicted to it, with the number of women suffering from alcoholism having increased since the introduction of sweeter

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The General Public is hereby informed that the Power of Attorney dated 04/04/2009, bearing Serial No. 3689/2009, executed before the Notary Advocate D. S. Petkar, at Mapusa, Goa, on 04/04/2009, executed by us (1) Mrs. Filomena Fonseca alias Filomena Dias, Wife of Mr. Caetano Domingos Dias, Major in Age, Married, Housewife, Indian National, Resident of Bom Sucesso, Fort Aguada Road, Vaddi, Candolim, Bardez, Goa 403515 and (2) Mrs. Lilia E Fonseca alias Lilia Colliaco, Wife of Mr. Agnelo Peter Colliaco, Major in Age, Married, Housewife, Indian National, Resident of H. No. 221A, Joseph Arc, Naika Vaddo, Calangute, Bardez, Goa 403516 and along with Mr. John Cruz da Fonseca alias John Fonseca and Mrs. Ivy Lourdes Fonseca alias Ivy Dias Sapoco in favour of Mr. Antonio Jose Fonseca alias Anthony Fonseca, Major in age, Retired, Married, Indian National, Resident of Pintos Vaddo, Candolim, Bardez, Goa, hereby stands revoked with immediate effect from 12/05/2025 on our part and as such Mr. Antonio Jose Fonseca alias Anthony Fonseca is hereby forbidden from entering into any transactions in relation to the property bearing Survey No. 173/4 and 171/24 of Village Siolim, Bardez, Goa and Survey No. 20/28 and 35/15 of Village Moira, Taluka Bardez, State of Goa on our behalf.

The members of the general public are hereby informed that we shall not be bound by any act done by the said Mr. Antonio Jose Fonseca alias Anthony Fonseca, by virtue of the said Power of Attorney dated 04/04/2009. Dated: 16.05.2025
Sd/- Filomena Fonseca alias Filomena Dias

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public is hereby informed that MR. NITESH NARAYAN PATIL as seller and M/S. SRE ESTATE DEVELOPMENTS, as developer through its authorized representative has proposed to sell to my client MISS. CAFLYN ROCHA all that property described in the Schedule below.

SCHEDULE

ALL THAT FLAT bearing flat No. D-104, admeasuring an area of 107.31 square metres located on the first floor of the building complex known AS "SUPREME COLMOROD COUNTY BUILDING "D" along with still parking constructed in the property situated at Navelim, within the Jurisdiction of the Margao Municipal Council, taluka and Sub-District of Salcete, district of South-Goa, state of Goa, surveyed under Chatta No. 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16 of P. T. Sheet No. 299 of Margao City Survey, and bounded ON THE NORTH: By Flat No. D-105; ON THE SOUTH: By Internal Road; ON THE EAST: By Flat No. D-103; and ON THE WEST: By building 'E'.

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After campaign against illegalities, EE Shetye relieved from additional charge

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MARGAO: In a significant development following an aggressive campaign against illegal structures and encroachments in and around Margao—particularly near the power house office at Aquem - Kashinath Shetye has been relieved of the additional charge of Executive Engineer at the Electricity Department in Margao.

Shetye, who had been holding the executive post, confirmed the move through a social media post on Friday. The responsibilities of the post are currently being handled by an Assistant Engineer.

In his message, Shetye acknowledged his removal but vowed to continue his efforts. "I may be relieved from my position, but the mission to clear illegalities will go on," he stated.

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In recent weeks, Shetye had stepped up enforcement against unauthorised gaddas (temporary roadside stalls) and other illegal structures on land under the jurisdiction of the Electricity Department. The crackdown focused on encroachments near the Aquem power house, where illegal setups had reportedly been operating for years without action from civic authorities.

Frustrated by what he described as continued inaction by the Margao Municipal Council, Shetye had even approached the court seeking intervention to address the issue. His campaign also extended to the re-

moval of unauthorised cables from electricity poles—measures that drew both praise and criticism.

Sources within the department suggest that Shetye's assertive approach may have led to administrative friction, possibly contributing to his removal. However, Shetye remains undeterred, signalling that he sees this not as an end, but as a temporary hurdle in his ongoing efforts.

Public reaction to his removal has been mixed. While some citizens and activists have lauded his no-nonsense attitude towards illegalities, others view the issue as part of internal departmental discipline and protocol.

As the executive post remains in temporary hands, questions remain about the future of the initiatives led by Shetye. Will the clean-up campaigns he championed—particularly

against gaddas and cable clutter—continue, or stall without his leadership?

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Interested Candidates may submit their resume to the Manager at the above address in the school office on or before 21/05/2025.

Ponda fish vendors shift to basement parking of new market complex

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PONDA: The Ponda Municipal Council (PMC) has announced that the fish vendors have finally moved from the forty-year-old, dilapidated Ponda fish market building to the basement parking of the new market complex, located

next to the old market.

This relocation comes after a PMC resolution was passed due to the deteriorating condition of the former fish market. While the move was initially delayed by approximately one-and-a-half months due to concerns about facilities, the PMC prioritised public

safety by swiftly providing essential amenities such as lighting and water at the new location. As a result, the fish vendors moved to the basement parking of the new market complex.

The urgency of this relocation was underscored by past incidents of falling plaster and the advanced

rusting and exposure of structural elements like ceiling beams, clearly indicating the dangerous state of the old building.

PMC Chairperson Anand Naik stated that the fish vendors have shifted and vacated their previous spaces in light of the building's hazardous condition.

He assured that necessary steps will be taken to relocate other vendors within the building and that construction of a new fish market building will commence shortly after the premises is completely vacated.

Calangute forum protests fresh destruction of beach vegetation in CRZ zone

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CALANGUTE: Members of the Calangute Constituency Forum (CCF) staged a protest on Friday at Khobrawaddo, Calangute, where beach vegetation is allegedly being cleared illegally by Delhi-based developer Ashwin Holdings.

The protest was held at survey number 208/1C, a property located in a Coastal Regulation Zone (CRZ) no-development area, where the forum alleges vegetation is being cleared in violation of the Environmental Protection Act.

"This is contempt of court. Four years ago, the Bombay High Court at Goa took suo motu cognisance of violations by the same developer and ordered the replanting of cut trees. Yet again, vegetation is being destroyed," said CCF president Premanand Divkar. He added that a site inspection by the



Goa State Biodiversity Board had earlier confirmed the presence of medicinal plants on the land.

CCF has filed fresh complaints with authorities, including the Chief Secretary, and plans to inform the High Court. "When a layman violates CRZ rules, action is swift. But when big Delhi developers do it, nothing happens. It seems the authorities are hand-in-glove," said CCF member Clotildes Braganza.

In their complaint, the CCF said

the clearing is in "clear violation of the direction from Hon'ble High Court in suo motu case No. 1 of 2021." The NGO called for urgent investigation and strict action under the Environmental Protection Act, 1986, and for restoration of the damaged area.

"These actions threaten coastal biodiversity and ecological balance and undermine our community's efforts to promote sustainability," Divkar stated.

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