

Landslide fears stalk Reis Magos as villa project rears its head

Locals fear construction of 62 villas with swimming pools will put more pressure on the infra; claim village is reeling due to irregular water supply

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PANJIM: The blatant hill defacement in Reis Magos village has left the locals concerned about their safety as they fear a Wayanad-like tragedy due to the ongoing concretisation.

The residents' fear stems

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An aerial view of proposed project at Reis Magos

from the fact that residential homes and buildings stretch for over a kilometre along the riverfront directly below the hill.

The villagers are apprehensive about the extensive construction on the partly lateritic soil and explained that the massive wall

being built will add significant pressure to the already fragile hillside.

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“We are apprehensive of the major construction activity on the partly lateritic soil. The huge wall will also load and pile pressure on the fragile hillside. My house is situated near the project and we face the imminent danger

— Sidhesh Govekar, Reis Magos villager

“We have obtained all permissions for the construction of 62 bungalows. We have resolved all the issues and we were not issued any stop work order. We have dug only three bore wells as we require water for gardening and landscaping. We have paid crores of rupees infrastructure tax to the government for the ground level reservoir including laying of pipelines

— Company official

Despite clampdown, Anjuna club blares music all night

Locals claim the unit continued to play loud music on June 18, 19 and 20; raise concerns that M/s Diaz was trying to mislead HC

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GAUMVADDI, ANJUNA:

The Goa State Pollution Control Board (GSPCB) suspended operations of M/s Diaz on June 18, 2025, just a day before the Goa Bench of the Bombay High Court was set to resume its hearing on Contempt Petition 12 of 2023. The show cause hearing was scheduled two days later. However, locals reported that M/s Diaz continued to play loud music on June 18, 19, and 20, causing sleepless nights and raising concerns that the unit was trying to mislead the court.

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— Roy Cedric, Anjuna resident, who provided four screen shots of complaints made to 112 from 11.30 am of June 17, 2025 till midnight of June 18, 2025



total contravention of the orders from the Supreme Court of India and the affidavits being submitted by GSPCB and Goa Police to

the High Court of Bombay at Goa,” said a jostled local Roy Cedric, who provided four screen shots of complaints made to 112 from 11.30 am of June 17, 2025 till the midnight of June 18, 2025.

On June 20, 2025, O Herald representative visited M/s Diaz at 11 pm and on hearing loud noise made a complaint to 112 at 11:52 pm.

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Killed three Iranian commanders, says Israel

AFP, JERUSALEM: Israel said Saturday it had killed three Iranian commanders in its unprecedented bombing campaign across the Islamic republic, which Foreign Minister Gideon Saar claimed had already delayed Tehran's presumed nuclear plans by two years.

Israel's military said its fighter jets targeted top Iranian official Saeed Izadi, in charge of coordination with Palestinian militant group Hamas, in Qom south of Tehran and announced the deaths of two other commanders from Iran's Revolutionary Guards.

Israeli foreign minister Gideon Saar said by the country's own assessment it had “already delayed for at least two or three years the possibility for them to have a nuclear bomb”.

“We will do everything that we can do there in order to remove this threat,” Saar told German newspaper Bild, asserting Israel's onslaught would continue.

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Opposition slams government for curtailing monsoon session

Team Herald

PANJIM: The Opposition on Saturday slammed the BJP-led government for curtailing the duration of the upcoming Monsoon

Session of the Goa Assembly starting from July 21. The session will conclude on August 8.

Governor P S Sreedharan Pillai on Friday issued the order summoning the

Goa Legislative Assembly to meet on July 21 at 11.30 am.

The Assembly session will have 15 working days including three days reserved for Private

Members. The Demands for Grants for the current financial year will be discussed and passed during the session.

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Rahul accuses EC of 'deleting evidence'

PTI, NEW DELHI: Congress leader Rahul Gandhi on Saturday accused the Election Commission of India of “deleting evidence” when it was required to “provide answers” after the poll body instructed its officers to destroy CCTV, webcasting and video footage of the elections after 45 days.

“Voter list? Will not give machine-readable format. CCTV footage? Hidden by changing the law. Election photos and videos? Now they will be deleted in 45 days, not 1 year. The one who was supposed to provide answers - is the one deleting the evidence,” Gandhi alleged in a post on X.

“It is clear that the match is fixed. And a fixed election is poison for democracy,” the Leader of Opposition in Lok Sabha posted in Hindi.

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