

Irregular to Regular

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Regularisation of illegal construction in Dombivli:

There are about 78000 illegal structures under Kalyan Dombivli Municipal Corporation out of which about 60% are illegal. In bid to legalise these construction, a directive has been issued by Urban development department to the Municipal authorities. According to this any illegal construction can be regularised here by paying penalty or regularisation fee of Rs.500 per square foot. The directive comes to effect immediately and will regularise illegal structures built before Jan 1, 2004. Thus a flat owner could have to pay a regularisation fee which could be 50% of the current market cost of the construction prevailing in the Dombivli.

This fee collected would form a development fund which would be used for development of Kalyan Dombivli. Politicians are complaining about Democratic Front trying to gain advantage in BJP ShivSena dominated KDMC. The entire directive is said to be based on Kakodkar committee report. This 94 page report was prepared in 1988!

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