

DHARAVI COMPILED MEDIA REPORT

18 Apr, 2025 – 19 Apr, 2025

 Total Mention 27

 Print	Financial	Mainline	Regional	Periodical
6	N/A	4	2	N/A
 Tv	Business	English	Hindi	Regional
10	N/A	6	4	N/A
 Online				
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 Print

No	Newspaper	Headline	Edition	Pg
1.	The Times of India	BEST to redevelop Bandra, Dindoshi & Deonar depots	Mumbai	6
2.	Hindustan Times	BMC moves to clear Deonar landfill for Dharavi housing	Mumbai	1, 3
3.	The Indian Express	Sena says Varsha's claim on Dharavi fear-mongering, Cong MP hits back	Mumbai	4
4.	Free Press Journal	Dharavi deadline is govt process	Mumbai	2
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The Times of India • 19 Apr • Dharavi
BEST to redevelop Bandra, Dindoshi & Deonar depots

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Mumbai

BEST to redevelop Bandra, Dindoshi & Deonar depots

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Mumbai: BEST has initiated the process to redevelop existing bus depots and station infrastructure at Bandra, Dindoshi and Deonar. The project is proposed to be undertaken through a public-private partnership. BEST invited interested parties this week to submit an expression of interest (EoI) to undertake the project at one or more of the locations mentioned, an official said.

This comes close on the heels of BEST being approached lately for handing over land at two prominent bus depots—Dharavi and Kalakilla—in Sion East for the Dharavi Redevelopment Project (DRP). A transport analyst said BEST has been pursuing plans to redevelop its depots despite opposition from citizens' groups and activists in the past few years. A senior BMC official, though, suggested with BEST facing huge accumulated losses, monetising its resources can be one of the options to help it come out of the red.

Hussain Indorewala from Aamchi Mumbai Aamchi BEST (AMAB), a citizens' group, said BMC and BEST should not monetise their lands because those are BEST's assets. "They should look at more land to increase parking capacity so that the fleet can be expanded," he said. A transport activist said if more plots are redeveloped, there could be less space left for bus parking. "BEST management announced plans to increase its fleet to 8,000 and later to 10,000 buses in the future. Where will they park these buses if space is given to private contrac-



Mahim bus station that was redeveloped earlier.

tors for commercial exploitation?" he said.

There are 27 BEST depots in the city. The rights to land in the Kurla bus depot were the first to be auctioned in 2006 under a scheme to modernise them that involved handing the private builder part of the depot land for commercial exploitation. Mahim depot was the second to be auctioned for redevelopment, followed by commercial exploitation rights at a few places including Oshiwara, Dahisar and Yari Road, said former BEST panel member Ravi Raja. "The depots were redeveloped by builders between 2006 and 2010. Thereafter there is hardly any redevelopment." He said a global financial consulting firm submitted a report in 2017 stating BEST can commercially exploit its depots, stations, and staff quarters through transit-oriented development at 23 plots in the city, and earn Rs 2,000 crore annually.

Hindustan Times • 19 Apr • Dharavi
BMC moves to clear Deonar landfill for Dharavi housing

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BMC MOVES TO CLEAR DEONAR LANDFILL FOR DHARAVI HOUSING

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MUMBAI: BMC has set in motion the process to clear a century's solid waste from Mumbai's oldest and largest dumping yard – that's 20 million tonnes of garbage on 123 acres – so that it can house Dharavi's slum-dwellers who are ineligible for in-situ rehabilitation.

The civic body is finalising a tender to clear the solid waste at the Deonar dumping yard, and appoint an agency for biomining at the site. With a deadline of three years, the project will cost ₹2,000 crore.

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Clearing Deonar landfill for Dharavi redvpt will cost city ₹2,000 crore; tender issued

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MUMBAI: The civic authorities have set in motion the process to clear a century's solid waste from Mumbai's oldest, and largest, dumping yard – that's 20 million tonnes of garbage on 123 acres – so that it can house Dharavi's slum-dwellers who are ineligible for in-situ rehabilitation.

The Brihanmumbai Municipal Corporation (BMC) is finalising a tender to clear the solid waste at the Deonar dumping yard, and appoint an agency for biominating at the site. The project, which has a deadline of three years, will the cost tax payer ₹2,000 crore.

The 326 acres on which the Deonar dumping ground stands is owned by the state government, which leased it to the BMC in the 1920s to dump the city's solid waste. As Mumbai's population grew, so did the amount of waste it generated – currently 6,000 tonnes a day. Over time, mountains of garbage began to pile up, reaching a staggering 40 metres, roughly the height of a 13-storey building.

The 123 acres being handed over by the BMC to rehabilitate Dharavi's slum-dwellers is part of the redevelopment of Dharavi, one of Asia's largest slums. It is being undertaken by Navbharat Mega Developers Private Limited (NMDPL), a joint venture of the state government and the Adani Group. When the project

Deonar Landfill: What lies within

- Opened in 1927, the Deonar landfill is Mumbai's oldest and largest dumping yard, occupying 326 acres.

- When fully functional, it receives a large portion of the 6,000 tonnes of solid waste generated by Mumbai daily, including 25 tonnes of biomedical waste.

- It currently contains an estimated 20 million tonnes of waste.



- In 2016, a fire broke out at the landfill, lasting several days. Toxic smoke filled the air, posing a health risk to residents in the vicinity.

- Despite the colossal quantity of legacy waste here, the BMC has never made any attempt to scientifically segregate Deonar's waste.

- The landfill is among the country's top 22 methane hotspots, not to mention the leaching of toxins into the ground-water, surface water and soil.

- The BMC plans to conduct biominating at the landfill, a process whereby waste is scientifically excavated, separated and processed. It sometimes uses microorganisms to break down organic matter.

rental housing project.

Pressure from state govt

The BMC was initially reluctant to spend such a colossal sum to clean up the Deonar dumping yard but, under pressure from the state, it relented. Municipal Commissioner Bhushan Gagrani said, "We have been directed by the government to return the land in the same condition it was in when it was originally allotted to us in the 1920s."

When the state first offered the Deonar landfill as a possible site to rehouse a section of Dharavi's residents, it raised serious health concerns for its future occupants.

Although the Deonar landfill was shut and operations shifted to Kanjurmarg a decade ago, it continues to spew toxic gases and discharge leachate, the liquid that leaches from mounds of waste, contaminating ground-water, surface water and the soil with toxic biological and chemical pollutants.

According to the guidelines of the Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB), housing, hospitals and schools cannot be constructed within a landfill site, even if the landfill is officially closed. In addition, a 100-metre no-development buffer zone must be maintained around any such site. By rehousing Dharavi's slum-dwellers at Deonar, the state has sidestepped the guidelines and is pushing ahead with rehabilitation at the site.

picked up momentum last year, the question of rehabilitating Dharavi's residents triggered an intense debate.

It was eventually decided that slum-dwellers who occupied ground-floor shanties built before January 1, 2000 would receive free housing in-situ, or

within Dharavi itself. The rest would be ineligible for in-situ rehabilitation and would be offered rental housing elsewhere, at a discounted rate of ₹2.5 lakh per tenement. One of the locations earmarked for this was the Deonar landfill.

In October last year, the state

cabinet gave its nod to handing over 125 acres, of the total 326 acres, of the Deonar dumping yard to NMDPL. The state also earmarked 255 acres of salt pan land at Kanjurmarg and Mulund, 140 acres of land at Madh, and 21.25 acres of land at the Kurla Dairy for Dharavi's

The Indian Express • 19 Apr • Dharavi

Sena says Varsha's claim on Dharavi fear-mongering, Cong MP hits back

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Sena says Varsha's claim on Dharavi fear-mongering, Cong MP hits back

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MUMBAI, APRIL 18

A DAY after Mumbai Congress chief and Lok Sabha MP Varsha Gaikwad alleged that the people of Dharavi who have opposed the redevelopment plan and chosen not to participate in the ongoing survey are being declared illegal and ineligible for rehabilitation, Shiv Sena leader and former MP Rahul Shewale said the people of Dharavi should not fall prey to fear-mongering and false propaganda and attacked Gaikwad for belittling the interests of the people for her family's politics.

"(Varsha Gaikwad's) Frustration is understandable—after all, the Dharavi Redevelopment Project is achieving what decades of her family's political rule could not deliver. For the first time in history, over one lakh tenements have been numbered in a scientifically executed, government-led survey—an unprecedented milestone in urban redevelopment," Shewale posted on social media website X.

He alleged that Gaikwad has

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— RAHUL SHEWALE
SHIV SENA LEADER

resorted to 'deliberate misinformation' and 'inflammatory rhetoric,' aimed not at helping Dharavikars but at sabotaging their future for political gains.

He claimed that Dharavi redevelopment was the only slum redevelopment project in the country where even those deemed ineligible under existing norms—such as residents of upper floors—are being given homes. “The ongoing survey, which has been underway for over a year, is being carried out in the most transparent and democratic manner—door to door, tenement by tenement—to determine eligibility as per legal criteria. The cut-off date

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— VARSHA GAIKWAD
CONGRESS MP

is not arbitrary, it is in line with due administrative procedure, and extensions have already been granted to ensure maximum participation,” he claimed, adding that only those who wilfully refuse to participate—motivated either by political coercion or a personal agenda—will be treated in accordance with the law.

Gaikwad shot back saying, Shewale and Dharavi Redevelopment Project Authority was deliberately running away from questions and indulging in personal attacks. “Who gave the DRPA or the Adani Sarkar the right to disqualify residents based on an arbitrary

deadline, despite them meeting eligibility criteria? Under which legal provision is this being done? This is not only illegal and unconstitutional—it is a targeted attack on those who oppose the Vinash project. How can an arbitrary deadline be imposed for submission of documents when the survey itself is far from complete?” she wrote in reply to Shewale on social media website X.

Gaikwad said that if the survey is still ongoing, how is the draft Master Plan—showing existing and proposed land use, as well as rehabilitation and saleable component plans—already ready? “As per MRTIP provisions, the draft Master Plan must undergo public scrutiny. It must be made public and open to suggestions and objections, as required by law,” she said.

She demanded to make the survey results public. “Release the list of eligible and ineligible residents. As per the rules, the people have the right to appeal. Stop hiding behind Adani. Follow the law. How many Dharavikars will be rehabilitated within Dharavi? And how many will be forced to move out?” she asked.

Free Press Journal • 19 Apr • Dharavi
Dharavi deadline is govt process

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‘Dharavi deadline is govt process’

FPJ News Service**MUMBAI**

A day after Mumbai Congress chief and MP Varsha Gaikwad criticised the Dharavi redevelopment project, Shiv Sena (Shinde) leader and former MP Rahul Shewale responded, saying the survey deadline is part of routine government procedure and the Congress should not politicise this matter. In a letter to Gaikwad posted on X, Shewale stated, "Despite controlling Dharavi for 40 years, the Congress failed to deliver what the Mahayuti government is



now achieving. This explains Varsha Gaikwad's frustration."

"The Dharavi redevelopment project is the only project of its kind where even 'ineligible' residents will be accommodated. So far, around 1,00,000 homes have been scientifically marked with numbers through this survey. However, locals who have not yet participated in the survey will now face legal action as per due process. The deadline of April 15 for participating in the survey was not arbitrarily decided; rather, it is a part of official procedure," Shewale noted.

"The Dharavi redevelopment project is not just a rehabilitation effort but one aimed at the overall development of the people of Dharavi," Shewale stated in his letter.

He added that the project offers Dharavi residents an opportunity to shape their future, and accused certain individuals of trying to obstruct the project for political gain. He emphasised that Dharavi's redevelopment is not merely one person's dream – it concerns the future of lakhs of families. He assured Dharavi residents that no political agenda would be allowed to come in the way of their bright future.

Navbharat • 19 Apr • Dharavi

Former MP Shewale advised the opposition 'Do not confuse Dharavi residents

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पूर्व सांसद शेवाले ने दी विपक्ष को सलाह 'धारावीकरों को भ्रमित न करें'

■ मुंबई (सं). धारावी में पुनर्विकास के लिए चल रहे सर्वेक्षण की अंतिम तिथि तय करना एक शासकीय प्रक्रिया का हिस्सा है और विपक्ष को इस मुद्दे का राजनीतिकरण नहीं करना चाहिए. यह सलाह पूर्व सांसद राहुल शेवाले ने सांसद वर्षा गायकवाड़ को दी है. सोशल मीडिया प्लेटफॉर्म 'एक्स' पर प्रकाशित एक खुले पत्र के माध्यम से शेवाले



ने धारावी पुनर्विकास परियोजना से संबंधित सर्वेक्षण पर अपनी स्थिति स्पष्ट की है. अपने खुले पत्र में शेवाले ने लिखा है कि धारावी पर 40 वर्षों तक एकतरफा नियंत्रण होने के बावजूद, विपक्ष वह हासिल नहीं कर पाया, जो अब महायुति सरकार ने करके दिखाया है. उन्होंने सुझाव दिया कि यही कारण है कि वर्षा गायकवाड़ नाराज हैं. शेवाले ने स्पष्ट रूप से कहा कि धारावी पुनर्विकास परियोजना एकमात्र ऐसी योजना है, जिसमें

सर्वेक्षण की अंतिम तिथि सरकारी प्रक्रिया का हिस्सा

पूर्व सांसद ने कहा कि सर्वेक्षण में भाग लेने की 15 अप्रैल की अंतिम तिथि मनमाने ढंग से नहीं तय की गई थी. यह भी सरकारी प्रक्रिया का हिस्सा है. इसके अलावा, अधिक से अधिक लोगों को शामिल करने के लिए सरकार ने यह अंतिम तिथि कई बार बढ़ाई भी थी. इसलिए विपक्ष को चाहिए कि वह इस मुद्दे पर राजनीति न करे और धारावी वासियों में भ्रम की स्थिति न पैदा करे. उन्होंने कहा कि राज्य सरकार धारावी के प्रत्येक निवासी को घर देने के लिए प्रतिबद्ध है. धारावी पुनर्विकास परियोजना केवल एक पुनर्वास योजना नहीं है, बल्कि यह धारावी वासियों को अपना भविष्य संवारने का एक अवसर प्रदान कर रही है.

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Pudhari • 19 Apr • Dharavi

Who gave Adani the right to disqualify Dharavikars

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Congress MP Varsha Gaikwad slammed the Dharavi redevelopment as a real estate project to benefit Adani, not residents. She questioned who gave Adani or DRPA the right to disqualify eligible residents. Responding to Rahul Shewale's criticism, she called his remarks confused and accused Adani agents of resurfacing unjustly.

Channel Overview

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| 2. |  Bharat Samachar | 1 |
| 3. |  India News | 1 |

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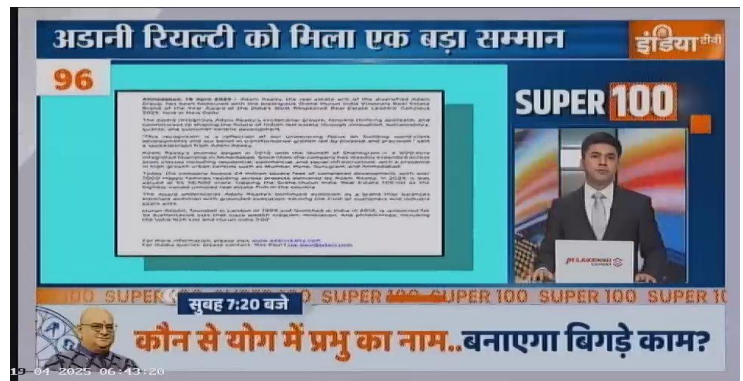
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Adani Realty gets top real estate award. 'Growhe Hurun' award for Adani Realty

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Adani Realty received the book of Grohe Haroon India Visionary Real Estate Brand, as this award shows our unbreakable talent ...

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Adani Realty has recently won the "Visionary Real Estate Brand of the Year" award at the Grohe Hurun India Conclave 2025. Sin...

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Adani Realty gets top real estate award. 'Grohe Hurun' award for Adani Realty

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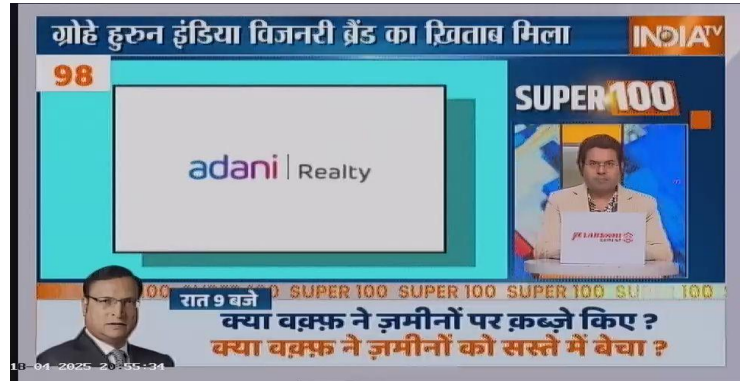


Grohe Hurun India Conclave honours
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Brand of the Year Award. Adani Realty
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Super 100 • Hindi • 08:55 PM 18 Apr, 2025

 Online Coverage

No	Portal Name	Headline (Incorporated with URL)	Reach
1.	Hindustan Times	BMC issues tender to clear Deonar landfill for Dharavi rehousing	124.6M
2.	Indian Express	Congress, SS-UBT exchange barbs over Dharavi redevelopment	90.9M
3.	The Times of India	BEST to redevelop Bandra, Dindoshi & Deonar depots	64.4M
4.	Loksatta - Marathi Newspaper	मुंबईतच घरे हवीत... गिरणी कामगार पुन्हा आक्रमक...आशिष शेलार यांच्या वांद्रे कार्यालय...	33.4M
5.	Mid-Day	Mulund dumping ground reclamation: MLA bats for golf course; locals demand ho spi...	7.5M
6.	Free Press Journal	Dharavi Redevelopment Project: Ex-MP Rahul Shewale Defends Survey Deadline , Crit...	6.4M
7.	OFFICE NEWZ	Dharavi redevelopment: Document submission deadline ends; 15,000 may be exc luded	87.7K
8.	Hot Scup	Namrata Adani ne Stanford Summit mein chaaya bikhera!	N/A
9.	Newspoint	Dharavi Redevelopment Project: Ex-MP Rahul Shewale Defends Survey Deadline , Crit...	N/A
10.	Marathi	Dharavi Project : सर्वेक्षणाची अंतिम मुदत हा शासकीय कामकाजाचा भाग, धारावीकरांना ...	N/A
11.	origin.mid-day.com	Mulund dumping ground reclamation: MLA bats for golf course; locals demand ho spi...	N/A