MINUTES OF THE 178th MEETING OF THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION CHANDIGARH HELD ON 30.03.2012 AT 11.00 A.M. IN THE ASSEMBLY HALL OF THE CORPORATION CHANDIGARH.

The followings were present:-

1.	Smt. Raj Bala Malik	Mayor
2.	Sh. V.P. Singh, IAS	Commissioner
3.	Sh. Darshan Kumar	Sr. Dy. Mayor
4.	Sh. Satish Kumar	Deputy Mayor
5.	Sh. Babu Lal, IAS (Retd.)	Councillor
6.	Sh. Anoop Sunny Gill	Councillor
7.	Prof. Aruna Goel	Councillor
8.	Dr. Amrit Tewari	Councillor
9.	Maj.(Retd.) D.S. Sandhu	Councillor
10.	Sh. M.P. Kohli	Councillor
11.	Sh. Sat Paul Bansal	Councillor
12.	Smt. Sheela Devi	Councillor
13.	Sh. Surinder Bahga	Councillor
14.	Sh. Saurabh Joshi	Councillor
15.	Sh. Pardeep Chhabra	Councillor
16.	Smt. Asha Kumari Jaswal	Councillor
17.	Sh. Subhash Chawla	Councillor
18.	Sh. Sat Parkash Aggarwal	Councillor
19.	Smt. Laxmi Devi	Councillor
20.	Sh. Arun Sood	Councillor
21.	Smt. Gurbax Rawat	Councillor
22.	Sh. Malkiat Singh	Councillor
23.	Smt. Harjinder Kaur	Councillor
24.	Sh. Harphool Chander Kalyan	Councillor
25.	Sh. Rajesh Kumar Gupta	Councillor

26.	Sh. Mukesh Bassi	Councillor
27.	Sh. Satinder Singh	Councillor
28.	Sh. Naresh Kumar	Councillor
29.	Smt. Heera Negi	Councillor
30.	Sh. Davesh Moudgil	Councillor
31.	Smt. Jannat Jahan Ul-Haq(Naina)	Councillor
32.	Smt. Rajinder Kaur	Councillor
33.	Sh. Gurcharan Das	Councillor
34.	Sh. Des Raj Gupta	Councillor
35.	Sh. Lalit Siwach, HCS	Secretary

The following Officers also attended the meeting: -

1.	Sh. Sunil Bhatia, PCS	Additional Commissioner-I
2.	Sh. S.S. Bida	Chief Engineer
3.	Sh Mukesh Anand	S.E.(B&R)
4.	Sh R.C. Diwan	S.E.(PH)
5.	Dr. B.K. Salwan	M.O.H.
6.	Sh Yogesh Gupta	XEN (Roads-I)
7.	Sh Jai Pal Singh	XEN (Roads-II)
8.	Sh Harinder Singh	XEN (P.H. Div No-I)
9.	Sh R.S. Ahluwalia	XEN (P.H. Div No-II)
10.	Sh Anil Bansal	XEN (P.H. Div No-III)
11.	Sh Gurpreet Singh	XEN (P.H. Div No-IV)
12.	Sh Surinder Pal Singh	XEN (Electrical)

At the outset, the Secretary welcomed the Mayor, Commissioner, Councillors and media persons in the 178th meeting of the General House of Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1

Confirmation of the minutes of 177th meeting of the General House held on 29.02.2012 at 11.00 a.m. in the Assembly Hall of the MC, Chandigarh.

The Secretary placed agenda item No.1 before the House for confirmation.

Sh. Saurabh Joshi pointed out that he had sought detailed information of M.S. Pipes and promotion of employees and the Commissioner had assured at Page No-7 of the minutes that a detailed reply would be placed in the next meeting of the House but the same is not placed in it.

The Commissioner apprised that the reply would be given in the question hour.

Sh. Malkiat Singh pointed out that in the last meeting he said about a committee constituted at the time of Smt Harjinder Kaur as Mayor for the development and modernization of villages and colonies but the same has not been recorded and neither any reply has been received from the office in this matter.

Sh Arun Sood pointed out that while discussing Table Agenda Item No 9 at Page No 35, it was also proposed and approved that new laptops to the councilors along with internet connection be given but the word "**with internet**" has not been mentioned in the resolution.

Maj (Retd) D.S. Sandhu said that he had contacted the NGO SPCA and he came to know that only one Doctor and one Compounder is available there and they have infrastructure for 4-5 dogs. Similar is the situation with the PFA who has been allotted land at Khuda Lahora and they have provision only for treatment of wounded animals. He suggested that the Municipal Corporation should engage Veterinary doctors for sterilization of dogs and they should be provided space in the Veterinary hospitals. He further suggested that the sterilized dogs be marked by putting ring in their ear otherwise it would be difficult to identify the sterilized dogs.

Dr Amrit Tewari suggestd that a provision of heavy fine be made in the Municipal Act for littering by the pet dogs.

Smt Harjinder Kaur pointed out that while discussing budget estimates for the year 2012-2013, amendments were suggested by the members and their suggestions be added in the budget.

The Commissioner apprised that the Mayor had announced in the House regarding enhancing the budget provisions in different heads which have been incorporated in the budget estimate.

Sh M.P. Kohli pointed out that it has appeared in the newspaper that the building of the Municipal Corporation is not safe with the point of view of fire incident as per the Fire Safety Act, neither the lift is working nor there is any ramp to facilitate the handicaps and aged persons.

> "***The House considered & confirmed the minutes of 177th meeting of the General House held on 29.02.2012 at 11.00 a.m. in the Assembly Hall of the Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh with the amendment that the resolution of table agenda item No.9 at page No.35 of the minutes be read as under:-***
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> ***"The House considered & resolved that the new laptops with internet connections be provided to all the Councillors."***

Dr Amrit Tewari was of the view that the House should pass Agenda Items first and the question hour can be taken at the end as sufficient time is required for this so that the members could express their sentiments.

The Mayor suggested that the question of Sh Satinder Singh may be taken up later on before question hour and Sh Satinder Singh agreed to it.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3

Conversion of free underground parkings in Sector 17 & Sector 8 as paid parking areas & handling over the same to the Licensees/ Contractors of the respective paid parking areas.

The Secretary placed agenda item No.3 before the House for approval.

Sh. Pardeep Chhabra said that there is no detail as to when the Market Association was contacted and neither detail of the past is mentioned in it. Earlier the underground parking in sector 17 was renovated and government employees were asked to park their vehicles in these underground parkings. But after some days these arrangements flopped due to theft of petrol, stepnies etc and the people stopped parking their vehicles in these underground parkings. He desired that the Agenda be prepared in detail with all backgrounds so that it could be discussed thoroughly.

Sh Arun Sood said that there is no need of more paid parking as the people are facing many problems in paid parkings already leased out. He suggested that the paid parking system should be abolished in whole city instead of this the parking lots be privatized as done with the Public Toilets by giving them permission to display advertisement so that the Corporation should also generate the revenue. Private parties should be invited to run and maintain the parking to avoid the inconvience to the public.

The Commissioner said that the main objective of paid parking is to regulate and to restrict the vehicles and not to generate the revenue.

Sh. Pardeep Chhabra apprised that the concept of paid parking was started at the directions of the Hon'ble High Court and it was started by the Chandigarh Administration and if the Corporation is to stop it then we have to move to the High Court. Earlier the private parties were also involved to regulate the parkings for which they were given permission to display advertisements but later on instructions from the Finance Secretary were received to remove the said advertisement. So

far inviting the private companies is concerned, permission from the Finance Secretary has to be sought for displaying advertisements.

Smt Harjinder Kaur said that the market of sector 35 is the busiest place in the city and parking space is full of vehicles every time and the vehicles of showroom owners are also parked in these parkings which consume a maximum space in the parking area. She further said that the entry is on busy road and accident prone and the demand is being received for changing the entry and providing space for the owners of the showrooms at the backside of the market. She said that the parking of sec 35 remains busy till midnight as the maximum eating places are situated there.

Dr. Amrit Tewari said that the Chandigarh Administration has given some roundabouts to the private companies for maintenance in lieu of permission to display advertisement and the condition of such roundabouts is better than other roundabouts. She suggested that the concept of privatization of parkings is better.

Sh. Saurabh Joshi said that paid parkings should not be imposed on the residents rather awareness among the people should be created to use the underground parkings. He strongly opposed converting free parkings into paid parkings. He further said that in spite of free parkings people are not using them then how they would be persuaded to park their vehicle in paid parkings.

Sh. Arun Sood suggested that the Corporation should invite expression of interest by giving advertisement in the newspapers for privatization of underground parking and the Administration should be approached to give permission for display of advertisement on free underground parking.

The Commissioner said that earlier people did not use the underground parking as there was no security at the gate. He also suggested that these parkings can be given to the market associations for parking of their vehicles.

Sh. Arun Sood said that the Hon'ble High Court never asked to make the paid parkings rather it directed to regulate the parkings. He, therefore, reiterated that private organization be invited to maintain these parkings and they can be allowed to display advertisements which can generate revenue for the Corporation. He proposed that this agenda be withdrawn and further said that if the advertisement can be displayed in front of the public toilets and the roundabouts then why it cannot be displayed in the underground parkings. He proposed that concept of paid parking be withdrawn from the whole city.

At this some members seconded his views.

Sh. Pardeep Chhabra said that Congress was never in favour of paid parking. He suggested that the Corporation should take up the matter with Chandigarh Administration seeking permission to display the advertisement and if the Administration allows then these parkings can be given to the private agencies. He further said that the Chandigarh Administration had directed the Corporation to start paid parking system.

Smt. Asha Jaswal said that instead of taking the issue at the party level, the members should speak for the welfare of the residents of the city. She further said that many instances of scuffles have been reported at the paid parkings.

Sh. Davesh Moudgil said that underground free parking have failed and on the other hand no steps were taken to avoid scuffles at the paid parkings and therefore, there is need of thorough discussion on the issue. He said that the number of vehicles is continuously increasing in the city, therefore, the planning should be done keeping in view the next 15-20 years. He further said that the benefit of privatization is that the parkings would be properly maintained and well organized and the Corporation would also earn revenue. He also suggested that before taking any decision, the master plan of Le-Corbusier should be checked up. He suggested that the agenda be withdrawn and

the agenda be brought before the House afresh for free parking and for privatization and further said that the BJP would strongly oppose the paid parking system in the city.

Smt. Harjinder Kaur said that at least 500 free parking stickers are being issued by the office and it is sad that common men use these stickers.

Sh. Arun Sood moved a resolution that the matter be taken up with Chandigarh Administration to privatize the underground parking and to seek permission for displaying advertisement at these parkings.

At this, majority of members seconded the resolution.

Sh. M.P. Kohli said that private organizations spend lot of money on advertisement and therefore, these parkings should be given to the private companies for maintenance allowing them to display advertisement for which permission from the Chandigarh Administration can be sought. The Corporation should give an advertisement in the newspapers in this regard, so that number of companies could be invited.

Sh. Sat Parkash Aggarwal agreed that many companies would come forward for maintenance of underground parkings in lieu of right of advertisement.

Sh Arun Sood suggested that even the green belts could be maintained by the private organizations if they are allowed to put advertisement at the entry gate.

Smt. Gurbax Rawat said that there are 33 parks in her ward and to maintain these parks only 7 persons have been deputed who cannot maintain them properly. She was of the view that if these green parks are given to the private organizations then these would be maintained very well.

Sh. Gurcharan Das Kala said that there is a problem of parking in the Manimajra, therefore the parking should be planned there.

> "***The House considered &resolved that the underground parkings should not be converted into paid parkings.***
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> ***The House further resolved that Corporation should approach the Chandigarh Administration seeking the permission of advertisement at the underground parkings and if allowed, private organizations be invited to maintain and regulate the underground parkings.***
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> ***It was also resolved that the permission of Chandigarh Administration be also sought for displaying advertisement at the entry point of green belts and parks so that these could also be given to the private companies for maintenance."***

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4

Providing and laying 40mm thick Asphaltic Concrete on Junction 29 between Sector 19, 20, 27 & 30 and Junction 40 between Sector 27, 30, 28 and 29, Chandigarh.

The Secretary placed agenda item No.4 before the House for approval.

Dr. Amrit Tewari said that the contractor leave the work in between due to non-payment of his bills as a result many works of re-carpeting are pending. She further said that it is no use to pass the estimates of road carpeting in the House unless the problem being faced on ground is addressed.

The Commissioner said that the process of making payment to the contractor would be expedited, however, in case the contractor has not complied with the terms and conditions then nothing can be done except to take action as per the available penal clause.

Sh. Surinder Bahga said that Indian Oil Corporation is the only agency who manufacture the bitumen and its rate is Rs 47,500 per metric tonne but the estimates are prepared by the office at the rate starting from Rs.32,000/- per metric tonne as a result the estimates have to be

revised. Many cases of enhancement of estimates have been pending for the last 1½ years and this is the one of the major problem. Similarly the rates of bajri in the market is Rs.920/- per cubic meter where as the estimates are prepared @ Rs.687/- per cubic meter. As a result the projects are lying pending due to difference of the rates of the items. The rate of material to be purchased from the market and the rates on which estimates are prepared, is different. He suggested that the estimate should be prepared keeping in view the prevailing rates of material in the market, so that the contractor could execute the work properly.

Smt. Asha Jaswal and Sh. Malkiat Singh enquired about the reason for rejection of tenders so many times.

Sh.Babu Lal said that pipelines were laid in Mani Majra, but recarpetting of roads has not so far been done, as a result the condition of roads is very bad.

Smt. Gurbax Rawat said that she had submitted at least 40 letters to the different Wings of the Corporation, but no response has been received so far, whereas her complaints have been resolved by the Chandigarh Administration within 15 days. She desired that system needs to be revised and the Councillors should also be intimated in case any action is taken on their representations. She had suggested in the last meeting to constituted a committee which would analyze the market rates of the material and give its recommendations. She further said that the condition of the roads in southern sectors is very bad. Almost 10 years have passed after re-carpeting of roads in southern sectors and the roads are badly damaged and apprehended whether, it would be sufficient to provide 25 mm thick SDBC coat. She again requested to constituted a committee on this matter otherwise no contractor would come forward to take up projects of the Corporation.

Smt. Jannat Jahan Ul-Haq said that a road committee has further constituted a committee to deliberate on this issue and the said committee would give shortly its recommendations.

SE(B&R) apprised that the rates of the Bitumen have been revised for the new estimates on the basis of prevailing rates whereas there is variation in the rate at the time of the execution of the work. He further apprised that last year the Corporation has done the maximum road carpeting which shows that tenders are being allotted and contractors are also doing the job.

Sh. Gurcharan Das said that tender for laying sewerage pipes in Samadhi Gate Manimajra has been invited 12 times but no contractor is coming forward to take up this project as a result the work is lying pending for years.

Smt. Gurbax Rawat said that the Corporation should not restrict to 25mm SDBC for V6 roads and suggested that the thickness of SDBC should be decided keeping in view the condition of the roads. She further said that most of the water pipe lines have been laid under V6 roads and these pipelines get damaged occasionally and water keep leaking on the road.

The Commissioner suggested that the road committee should look into the matter and resolve the issue in question.

"The House considered & unanimously resolved that the estimate amounting to Rs.42.26 lac for providing and laying 40mm thick Asphaltic Concrete on Junction 29 between Sector 19, 20, 27 & 30 and Junction 40 between Sector 27, 30, 28 and 29, Chandigarh, be and is hereby approved."

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5

Providing and laying 25mm thick SDBC on V-6 roads in Sector 30-A, Chandigarh.

The Secretary placed agenda item No.5 before the House for approval.

"The House considered & unanimously resolved that the estimate amounting to Rs.55.63 lac for providing and laying 25mm thick SDBC on V-6 roads in Sector 30-A, Chandigarh, be and is hereby approved."

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6

RCE for P/L 25mm thick SDBC on V-6 road in Sector 22-C, Chandigarh.

The Secretary placed agenda item No.6 before the House for approval.

"***The House considered & unanimously resolved that the estimate amounting to Rs.63.68 lac for P/L 25mm thick SDBC on V-6 road in Sector 22-C, Chandigarh, be and is hereby approved."***

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7

RCE for P/L 25mm thick SDBC with tack coat in parking area in front of SCO No.801 to 853, 1001 to 1061 and 1062 to 1139 in Sector 22-A&B, Chandigarh.

The Secretary placed agenda item No.7 before the House for approval.

"***The House considered & unanimously resolved that the estimate amounting to Rs.93.53 lac for P/L 25mm thick SDBC with tack coat in parking area in front of SCO No.801 to 853, 1001 to 1061 and 1062 to 1139 in Sector 22-A&B, Chandigarh, be and is hereby approved."***

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8

Providing and laying 25mm thick SDBC on V-6 road in Sector 29-A, Chandigarh.

The Secretary placed agenda item No.8 before the House for approval.

"***The House considered & unanimously resolved that the estimate amounting to Rs.48.03 lac for providing and laying 25mm thick SDBC on V-6 road in Sector 29-A, Chandigarh, be and is hereby approved."***

AGENDA ITEM NO. 9

Rough cost estimate for providing and laying tack coat and 25mm thick SDBC on V-6 and in Sector 9-A,B & D, Chandigarh.

The Secretary placed agenda item No.9 before the House for approval.

"*The House considered & unanimously resolved that the estimate amounting to Rs.83.52 lac for providing and laying tack coat and 25mm thick SDBC on V-6 and in Sector 9-A,B & D, Chandigarh, be and is hereby approved.*"

AGENDA ITEM NO. 10

Rough cost estimate for recarpetting of Sukhna path (V-3) road dividing Sector 7 & 26 (Vigyan path to Madhya Marg).

The Secretary placed agenda item No.10 before the House for approval.

"*The House considered & unanimously resolved that the estimate amounting to Rs.110.69 lac for* recarpetting of Sukhna path (V-3) road dividing Sector 7 & 26 (Vigyan path to Madhya Marg)*, be and is hereby approved.*"

AGENDA ITEM NO. 11

Rough cost estimate for recarpetting of V-6 road, Sector-5, Chandigarh.

The Secretary placed agenda item No.11 before the House for approval.

"*The House considered & unanimously resolved that the estimate amounting to Rs.38.32 lac for recarpetting of V-6 road, Sector-5, Chandigarh, be and is hereby approved.*"

AGENDA ITEM NO. 12

Rough cost estimate for providing and laying 40mm thick bituminous concrete on V-3 road in Sector 24 and 15, Chandigarh.

The Secretary placed agenda item No.12 before the House for approval.

"***The House considered & unanimously resolved that the estimate amounting to Rs.51.29 lac for providing and laying 40mm thick bituminous concrete on V-3 road in Sector 24 and 15, Chandigarh, be and is hereby approved."***

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA ITEM NO. 1

Rough cost estimate for providing and laying 25mm thick SDBC on V-6 road in Sector 38-C, Chandigarh.

The Secretary placed supplementary agenda item No.1 before the House for approval.

"***The House considered & unanimously resolved that the estimate amounting to Rs.57.48 lac for providing and laying 25mm thick SDBC on V-6 road in Sector 38-C, Chandigarh, be and is hereby approved."***

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA ITEM NO. 2

Rough cost estimate for providing and laying tack coat and 40mm thick B.C. on V-4 road in Sector 10, Chandigarh.

The Secretary placed supplementary agenda item No.2 before the House for approval.

"***The House considered & unanimously resolved that the estimate amounting to Rs.61.81 lac for providing and laying tack coat and 40mm thick B.C. on V-4 road in Sector 10, Chandigarh, be and is hereby approved."***

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA ITEM NO. 3

RCE for P/F 60mm thick paver blocks on berm along V-5 road, Sector 20 A,B,C&D, Chandigarh.

The Secretary placed supplementary agenda item No.3 before the House for approval.

"***The House considered & unanimously resolved that the estimate amounting to Rs.39.80 lac for P/F 60mm thick paver blocks on berm along V-5 road, Sector 20 A,B,C&D, Chandigarh, be and is hereby approved."***

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA ITEM NO. 4

Status Report on rainwater harvesting/artificial recharging of ground water and recycling of sewage to generate tertiary treated water in Chandigarh (UT).

The Secretary placed supplementary agenda item No.4 before the House for approval.

"***The House took note of the Status Report."***

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA ITEM NO. 5

RCE for widening and carpeting of V-6 road in Sector 21 A,B,C&D, Chandigarh.

The Secretary placed supplementary agenda item No.5 before the House for approval.

"***The House considered & unanimously resolved that the estimate amounting to Rs.48.07 lac for widening and carpeting of V-6 road in Sector 21 A,B,C&D, Chandigarh, be and is hereby approved."***

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA ITEM NO. 6

Replacement & Augmentation of Trunk Brick Storm Lines by RCC NP-3 Pipes/ RCC Box at Sector 31 - 47 and Colony No. 5, U.T., Chandigarh – *Laying of RCC pipes in lieu of pre-fabricated RCC box for Sector 31- 47, Chandigarh regarding*.

The Secretary placed supplementary agenda item No.6 before the House for approval.

"The House considered & unanimously approved the proposal for Replacement & Augmentation of Trunk Brick Storm Lines by RCC NP-3 Pipes/ RCC Box at Sector 31 - 47 and Colony No. 5, U.T., Chandigarh – Laying of RCC pipes in lieu of pre-fabricated RCC box for Sector 31- 47, Chandigarh."

The House adjourned for lunch at 1.00 p.m. and reassembled at 2.15 p.m.

Sh. Arun Sood said that as per Act the agendas has to be circulated to the Councillors 72 hours before the meeting whereas 16 agendas have been circulated on the table out of which only 1-2 agendas are of urgent nature. He said that the Councillors have not gone through these agendas and they cannot give their views without going through them. He enquired the nature of urgency for placing so many agendas on table and said that Councillors are being used like a rubber stamp. He requested to stop this system.

"The House considered & decided that after fixation of the date of the meeting of General House, only those agendas would be entertained which reaches in the office of Secretary 7 days before the meeting. However, in case of urgency an agenda can be placed as table agenda."

TABLE AGENDA ITEM NO. 1

Outsourcing of Area through service providers for sanitation work.

The Secretary placed table agenda item No.1 before the House for approval.

Sh. Davesh Moudgil said that the sanitary condition of the city is very bad and dry leaves can be seen everywhere in the city which need to be taken care of. He further said that number of Safai Karamcharies are involved in the sanitation of the city and whole city is concerned with it. He desired that the detailed information about the contractors the Safai Karamcharies deputed in different areas along with their names & address be supplied to the area Councillors. Detail about the

number of Rehries deployed in each ward should also supplied to the area Councillors and the name of the contractor should be written on the Rehries. The financial information such as salary drawn by Safai Karamcharies and ESI and Provident Fund deposited in their account be also supplied to the Councillors. How many Safai Karamcharies were present on duty and total salary paid to the contractor during the last one year be also supplied. The detail of Safai Karamcharies deputed in each ward and their attendance should also be supplied to the area Councillor. He enquired as to what facilities have been given to the Safai Karamcharies keeping in view to protect their health. He suggested that Safai Karamcharies be provided gloves and masks and it should be mandatory to wear them. He further inquired about the number of trolleys deployed to pick up the dry leaves from the road side and what was done to the dry leaves. He further asked whether there is any provision of penalty in case Safai Karamcharies burn the dry leaves on the road side. He further said that in the city like Delhi, Mumbai, Chennai sweeping of the city is done in the night, whereas in Chandigarh it is done in the day time. As a result the big machines deployed to sweep the roads throw dust on the people more than collected from the road. Recently, Panchkula has started night sweeping system and Chandigarh should also start the night sweeping system as there is a lot of traffic in day time whereas in the night the roads are free of vehicles. He requested that all the information asked by him should be provided for the information of the House and the same should be put on the net for the information of the public.

Sh. Saurabh Joshi said that Citizens' Charter has been put on the net but only two departments have been made accountable.

Smt. Harjinder Kaur said that citizens' Charter was launched in the year 2007 when she was Mayor, but it has not been implemented as yet. In the meeting of F&CC, it was demanded by the members that an inventory of the assets of the Corporation should be prepared for information

of the members, but it has not been prepared so far. She said that system needs to be updated and further desired that information be supplied to the members of the House.

Dr. Amrit Tewari was of the view that it should be responsibility of the contractor to keep the area clean irrespective of the persons he engaged for this purpose. In absence of proper sanitation heavy penalty should be imposed on him. She further suggested that the area of the regular and outsourced safai karamcharies be segregated so that their performance could be assessed.

Smt. Asha Jaswal said that the situation of sanitation in Sector-24 is very bad and number of safai karamcharies deployed there is very less. In the last meeting, a list of safai karamcharies deployed ward wise was demanded but it has not so far been provided. Dry leafs are being burnt by safai karamcharies and most of the street lights are not working. She requested that all the safai karamcharies be provided insurance policies and masks for protection.

Sh. Harphool Chand Kalyan said that as per norms 375 safai karamcharies are required for one lac population and as such atleast five thousand safai karamcharies are required in Chandigarh as its population is already crossed 12 lacs. 100 posts of safai karamcharies are lying vacant in the Corporation which is not being filled up as a result there is lot of burden on the safai karamcharies. As already discussed in the last meeting 300 safai karamcharies are working at the residences of the officers which is causing loss to the Corporation worth crores of rupees. He requested that safai karamcharies is being appointed on regular basis to improve the sanitation condition of the City.

The Commissioner apprised that as already discussed in the meeting of the F&CC gazetted officer are being deputed to check the attendance of safai karamcharies. Secondly, the list of ward-wise safai karamcharies would be supplied to the Area councilors. He further said that 1468 posts are sanctioned in the Corporation out of which 224 posts are lying vacant. The Municipal Corporation is taking up the matter with Chandigarh Administration seeking approval to fill up these

posts and the matter is being pursued continuously and early approval of the Chandigarh Administration is anticipated. Further a proposal to create 3500 posts has already been sent to the Chandigarh Administration for approval. At present the safai karamcharies are being engaged through contractor and it is difficult to set the para-meter of sanitation for those employees. Further the concept of out-sourcing can be considered in which it would be the responsibility of the contractor to keep the area clean irrespective of the number of persons to be deployed. This can be a future course of action. He further apprised that issue at hand has already been discussed and approved in the F&CC and now it has been brought for approval of the House. He said that it would be better if the members give their question in writing so that specific reply could be given.

Sh. Naresh Kumar said that safai karamcharies engaged through out source get paltry sum of Rs. 5000/- as salary which is not sufficient and they are not willing to work seriously. He requested that the services of the daily-wage workers should be regularized. He further said that there is no garbage bin in Bapu Dham Colony as a result people throw the garbage in the parks and on the road side which give an ugly look.

Major D.S. Sandhu said that problem of dry leaves is persistent. Moreover the people burn the dry leaves collected on the road side, which pollute the environment. He requested that burning of leaves be banned strictly.

Smt Gurbax Rawat said that the Corporation charged a certain amount for cleaning of park / community center while booking it for marriage and other social functions but after celebration of the function the park/ community centers are not cleaned properly.

Smt Heera Negi suggested that gloves, masks and jaggery be provided to the Safai Karmacharies keeping in view their health. She further said that the condition of the rehries provided to the safai karamcharies is very bad and further suggested that new rehries be provided to them.

She further said that ploythene bags are littered on the ground where Apni Mandi is held and these polythene bags reach in the adjoining green belts and affect its greenery.

Sh Sat Parkash said that the problem of the dumping ground is very serious and he thanked the Mayor and Commissioner for visiting the site. He inquired as to what action is being taken to improve the condition of the dumping ground. He suggested that safai karamcharies be regularized. He further said that safai karamcharies engaged on contract are never present at the site as shown in the papers.

Sh Arun Sood said that these days dry leaves are falling on the ground which is a seasonal problem but they are not being picked up by the Corporation. He pointed out that a thick layer of the dry leaves has accumulated in his ward which needs to be removed immediately. He suggested that labour should be engaged specially for lifting the dry leaves from the road side and special campaign should be launched to lift the dry leaves. He further said that the tenders for the out sourcing of labours is given on 0% age margin which is not a factual position as nobody can do this job free of cost and certainly some corrupt practices are being adopted by the contractors to fleece the money from the safaikaramcharies . He suggested that after receiving a list of safaikaramcharies from the contractor, police verification should be got conducted. He also suggested that account of EPF and ESI deposited by the contractor in the concerned department should also be got checked up and verified.

Dr Amrit Tewari suggested that parameters of sanitation should be fixed and the areas given to the contractor should be separated from the areas allocated to regular employees. The time of inspection should also be fixed and it would be the responsibility of the contractor to make the area clean irrespective of the number of the safai karamcharies and this experiments has already been conducted in PGI earlier. Sh Arun Sood seconded the views of Sh Amrit Tewari.

Sh. Pardeep Chhabra said that the number of safai karamcharies has decreased considerable and every sector is facing shortage of safai karamcharies. Therefore, the first step is to place the safai karamcharies either through contractor or on regular basis so that the condition of the sanitation could be improved. He further said that the concept of the night sweeping was started 10 years ago but safai karamcharies refused to work at night.

Sh. Davesh Moudgil said that there would have been some draw backs in the implementation of the night sweeping system as this work can also be got done through the contractor. Therefore, the concept of night sweeping should be taken up again and job can be got done through outsourcing system. He also requested that one of the pilot project should also be started in others sectors also.

"***The House considered & approved the tender documents enclosed with the Agenda and also approved the proposed amendments in terms and conditions for tenders for outsourcing of areas as amended by the F&CC as mentioned below:-***

1. ***The bidder can apply for one or more Groups as per Annexure A. Separate bids have to be submitted for each group.***
2. ***In case, more than one contractor quoted the same rate in the Price Bid for a group then the successful bidder shall be decided by draw of lots.***
3. ***The period of contract shall be two years from the date of allotment if not otherwise revoked or cancelled as per the terms and conditions of the contract and it can be extended for one year on the basis of satisfactory performance of the contractor.***
4. ***If the area councilor reports that the sanitation work of the contractor is not up to the mark during a particular period then the area will be inspected by a Committee consisting of Chairman of Sanitation Committee, one member of Sanitation Committee, area Councilor and Health Supervisor of Medical Officer of Health and monthly payment will be made only if they are satisfied with the work".***

"The House further resolved that the proposal to extend the existing contract for further three months w.e.f. 1-5-2012 to 31-7-2012 or till the allotment of new contract whichever is earlier, be and is hereby approved".

TABLE AGENDA ITEM NO. 2

Rough cost estimate for Recarpetting of V-6 road in Sector 7 A&B, Chandigarh.

The Secretary placed table agenda item No.2 before the House for approval.

"***The House considered & unanimously resolved that the estimate amounting to Rs.62.55 lac for Recarpetting of V-6 road in Sector 7 A&B, Chandigarh, be and is hereby approved."***

TABLE AGENDA ITEM NO. 3

RCE for P/F 60mm thick paver blocks on balance berms along V-6 road near House No.1201 – 1276, 1277 – 1400, 1147 – 1180, 1685 – 1940 in Sector 22 B, Chandigarh.

The Secretary placed table agenda item No.3 before the House for approval.

"***The House considered & unanimously resolved that the estimate amounting to Rs.44.93 lac for P/F 60mm thick paver blocks on balance berms along V-6 road near House No.1201 – 1276, 1277 – 1400, 1147 – 1180, 1685 – 1940 in Sector 22 B, Chandigarh, be and is hereby approved."***

TABLE AGENDA ITEM NO. 4

RCE for P/F 60mm thick paver blocks on balance berms along V-6 road near House No.2301 to 2395, 2500 to 2600 and 2801 to 2868 in Sector 22 C, Chandigarh.

The Secretary placed table agenda item No.4 before the House for approval.

"***The House considered & unanimously resolved that the estimate amounting to Rs.35.71 lac for P/F 60mm thick paver blocks on balance berms along V-6 road near House No.2301 to 2395, 2500 to 2600 and 2801 to 2868 in Sector 22 C, Chandigarh, be and is hereby approved."***

TABLE AGENDA ITEM NO. 5

RCE for providing and fixing 60mm thick paver blocks along V-6 road in Sector 31 C, Chandigarh.

The Secretary placed table agenda item No.5 before the House for approval.

"The House considered & unanimously resolved that the estimate amounting to Rs.41.55 lac for providing and fixing 60mm thick paver blocks along V-6 road in Sector 31 C, Chandigarh, be and is hereby approved."

TABLE AGENDA ITEM NO. 6

RCE for providing and fixing 60mm thick paver blocks along V-6 road in Sector 31 D, Chandigarh.

The Secretary placed table agenda item No.6 before the House for approval.

"The House considered & unanimously resolved that the estimate amounting to Rs.67.12 lac for providing and fixing 60mm thick paver blocks along V-6 road in Sector 31 D, Chandigarh, be and is hereby approved."

TABLE AGENDA ITEM NO. 7

Re-allotment of Taxi Stands to the allottees who are already operating the notified Taxi Stands under condition no.3 of Terms and Conditions of Contract.

The Secretary placed table agenda item No.7 before the House for approval.

Sh Arun Sood said that some of the allottees of the taxi stand had built up their structure within the parking space. He inquired that whether they were legal and further point out that in the market of sector 37 the taxi stand allottee has raised a big structures, which is covering 2 booths.

The Commissioner apprised that the space for taxi stand has been allotted by the Architect Department of the Chandigarh Administration and F&CC in its meeting has resolved that before re-allotting the taxi stands a survey should be conducted to check whether the taxi stand are

situated on the place earmarked for the purpose. In case any taxi stand is found to be running from the space other than earmarked for it then said taxi stand would be removed. The process of re-allotment is going to take some time, therefore, an extension of license for three months has been sought in the agenda.

> **"*The House considered &unanimously resolved that the license period of present 37 taxi stands be extended for three months period beyond the period of five years license i.e. from 1-4-2012 to 30-6-2012".***

TABLE AGENDA ITEM NO. 8

Providing basic amenities to the residents of Deep Complex as well as other such areas.

The Secretary placed table agenda item No.8 before the House for approval.

Smt. Jannat Jahan-Ul-Haq said that at one hand the Deep Complex at Hallomajra has been shown out of jurisdiction of the Corporation whereas on the other hand 50 safai karamcharies have been deployed there. She desired that roads be constructed there and water and sewerage pipelines should also be laid for the benefit of the residents. She further stated that she had met the Administrator in Administrative Forum and he had directed to provide basic amenities in the area.

The Commissioner stated that the Administrator had desired that basic amenities should be provided to the residents of Deep Complex, Hallomajra without any prejudice to the status of the area. However, the drinking water, cleanliness and electricity are the basic amenities being provided to them and regarding rest of the facilities it is to be decided by the House. The Corporation is already supplying drinking water, safai karamcharies have been deployed there and electricity is already there. If the Corporation spends money on the other facilities then it would attract audit objection as Municipal Act is not applicable in this area.

Sh. Saurabh Joshi said that residents of Deep Complex, Hallomajra have been issued ration cards and they are the voters of U.T., Chandigarh and therefore, they should be provided the

basic amenities. He further said that similar is the situation in his ward where a nala between Khuda Lahora colony is under the control of Chandigarh Administration. Similarly, the complex of Panjab University, PGI and PEC also comprise of ward No.2. The problem of sewerage, water and drinking water are common in Panjab University, but the Corporation cannot do anything in this regard. Similarly, the situation of residential area at PGI is also deplorable. The Director of PGI has written a letter to the Commissioner that if the residential area of PGI is taken over by the Municipal Corporation, there would be no objection to the Administration of PGI. The residents of PGI, Panjab University and PEC are the voters for the election of Municipal Corporation and therefore they should also be provided basic amenities.

The Commissioner said that for laying the water, sewerage pipes and for roads in Deep Complex, approval of Chandigarh Administration would be sought. So far as the matter of Panjab University, PGI and PEC is concerned it is different and the basic amenities have already been provided to the residents of these institutes. Corporation cannot take up functions inside any institute and this is the situation all over India as the Corporation can take up the work only of public streets whereas the residential area inside the institution cannot be said to be public street. However, the opinion of the Chandigarh Administration can be sought in this regard if the House so desire.

Sh. Saurabh Joshi further said that a primary school situated within the boundary of PGI has been transferred to the Municipal Corporation. The PEC has been declared as deemed University 4-5 years ago and the work of the roads inside the complex has been transferred to the Chandigarh Administration. He requested that these facts can be brought to the notice of the Chandigarh Administration and be requested to transfer these areas to the Corporation.

Dr. Amrit Tewari stated that this matter has already been referred to the Chandigarh Administration which has rejected it. She proposed that the Corporation should write to the authority of Panjab University apprising them the poor condition of roads, sewerage etc. and request them to

take action. The Central Government release the grant direct to the institutions and institution should sort out these matter at their own level.

Sh. Arun Sood said that a news was published in the newspapers that water connections of 650 EWS houses have been disconnected in sec 38(west). When this matter was taken up with the Commissioner, he got the matter resolved, but this is the temporary solution. He pointed out that Mayor had visited the area, but he, being area Councillor, was not informed about the visit and as such the official tour was being politicized. He further said that the tube-well installed in Sector 38(west) which supply the water to the EWS houses has been installed by the Chandigarh Housing Board and the electricity bills for the said tube-wells which is Rs.1.00 lac per month is also borne by the Chandigarh Housing Board whereas the revenue of bills generated to the residents are being collected by the Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh. He further said that the housing board is ready to deposit the maintenance charges for the next 3 years for the said tube-well and the street lights, therefore, the Corporation should take over that area and should provide basic amenities at its own level. He further requested that some safai karamcharies engaged through outsourcing should be deployed for EWS houses in Sector 38(West).

The Commissioner stated that the matter would be resolved by two organizations.

The House felt that the basic amenities/services in such areas which are outside the Lal Dora should be provided by the Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh in public interest. As in the area of Deep Complex under the revenue estate of Hallomajra, the civic amenities except drinking water are being provided by the Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh, drinking water is being provided by way of water tanker.

The Commissioner clarified that on 25.5.2009, the existing Punjab Land Development Act-1952 was substituted by the Periphery Control Act, hence technically speaking the Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh does not have any control over the area as Periphery areas are looked after

by the Administration only. In view of this the matter will be taken up with the highest level of the Administration.

"The House considered and resolved that the Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh should take up the matter with the Chandigarh Administration on priority so as to provide basic amenities to such areas".

TABLE AGENDA ITEM NO. 9

Providing and laying 40mm thick Asphaltic Concrete on V-3 Road between, Sector 28 & 29, Chandigarh.

The Secretary placed table agenda item No.9 before the House for approval.

"***The House considered & unanimously resolved that the estimate amounting to Rs.57.05 lac for providing and laying 40mm thick Asphaltic Concrete on V-3 Road between, Sector 28 & 29, Chandigarh, be and is hereby approved."***

TABLE AGENDA ITEM NO. 10

Providing and fixing 80mm thick interlocking paver blocks on internal roads of Dehra Sahib to Samadhi Gate, Main Bazar around the Quila, Quila to Dehra Sahib and Shanti Nagar to Samadhi Gate, Manimajra.

The Secretary placed table agenda item No.10 before the House for approval.

"***The House considered & unanimously resolved that the estimate amounting to Rs.57.43 lac for providing and fixing 80mm thick interlocking paver blocks on internal roads of Dehra Sahib to Samadhi Gate, Main Bazar around the Quila, Quila to Dehra Sahib and Shanti Nagar to Samadhi Gate, Manimajra, be and is hereby approved."***

TABLE AGENDA ITEM NO. 11

Replacement of old existing CI distribution pipe lines with MS Pipes as per IS 3589 with upto date amendments from water works-I to main bazaar at Manimajra, U.T., Chandigarh.

The Secretary placed table agenda item No.11 before the House for approval.

"***The House considered & unanimously resolved that the estimate amounting to Rs.260.71 lac for replacement of old existing CI distribution pipe lines with MS Pipes as per IS 3589 with upto date amendments from water works-I to main bazaar at Manimajra, U.T., Chandigarh, be and is hereby approved."***

TABLE AGENDA ITEM NO. 12

RCE for Construction of Govt. Primary School at Sector 49 D, Chandigarh.

The Secretary placed table agenda item No.12 before the House for approval.

"***The House considered & unanimously resolved that the estimate amounting to Rs.323.73 lac for Construction of Govt. Primary School at Sector 49 D, Chandigarh, be and is hereby approved."***

TABLE AGENDA ITEM NO. 13

Comprehensive Maintenance Contract for 3 No. Large Road Sweeping Machines Model Dulevo-5000 from 8.4.2011 onwards.

The Secretary placed table agenda item No.13 before the House for approval.

Sh. Arun Sood, Sh. Davesh Moudgil and Sh. Saurabh Joshi desired that detailed information about the expenditure incurred for the purchase and maintenance of these machines be provided to the House for information

Sh. Saurabh Joshi said that the detailed information about the purchase of these machines, expenditure incurred on their maintenance and their utility should be apprised to the House.

Sh. Asha Jaswal was of the view that the area of deployment of these machines should not be restricted rather they should be deployed in different sectors every month so that all the councillors can observe their performance.

Sh. Rajesh Gupta said that the Corporation is paying Rs 37.00 lac for the maintenance of three machines, which is a huge amount and for the last five years the amount paid for maintenance has exceeded their cost.

Sh. Davesh Moudgil suggested that a fresh schedule for deployment of these machines in various sectors be chalked out and these machines should be deployed in other sectors at night also.

> **"*The House considered & unanimously resolved that the present Comprehensive Maintenance Contract for 3 No. Large Road Sweeping Machines Model Dulevo-5000 be extended for two months w.e.f. 7-4-2012".***

TABLE AGENDA ITEM NO. 14

Pilot Project regarding door to door collection of MSW in Sector 22 – fixation of user charges.

The Secretary placed table agenda item No.14 before the House for approval.

Smt. Asha Jaswal suggested that the collection charges be fixed floor-wise.

The Commissioner stated that it was a pilot project and all the modalities would be fixed after checking the result of this project and a proper system would be put in place to implement the project in whole city. It will take about 3-4 months to get the necessary experience to extend it.

Sh. Arun Sood, Councilor was of the view that 3-4 months time on a pilot project is on the higher side, it should be cut short and efforts be made to start it in other sectors of the city at

earliest possible. He also suggested that Safaikaramcharies already working in the field should be preferred for this job so that they can earn their livelihood.

"***The House considered & approved the proposed pilot project regarding door-to-door collection of MSW in Sector 22, Chandigarh and also approved the proposed rates to be charged from different types of residential houses / SCFs / SCOs / hotels / booths as per detail given below:-***

Proposed rates for residential houses	***Rate per house per month***
Type 12, Type 13 Houses	Rs.30/-
Tupe 9, Type 10 & Type 11 Houses	Rs.40/-
5 Marla private houses	Rs.50/- (where one water meter) Rs.25/- (per water meter if more than one meter in the house)
7 Marla private houses	Rs.60/- (where one water meter) Rs.25/- (per water meter if more than one meter in the house)
10 Marla private houses	Rs.75/- (where one water meter) Rs.25/- (per water meter if more than one meter in the house)
Proposed Rates for Commercial Establishments	***Rate per establishment per month***
Booth Shastri Market & Vegetable Market	Rs.30/-
Other Booths	Rs.40/-
Juice Shop/Pan Shop/Chat Shop/Halwai etc.	Rs.100/-
Restaurant Ground Floor	Rs.150/- per Bay per floor
SCO/SCF other than Restaurant	Rs.75/- per Bay per floor
Hotel One Bay SCO/SCF Ground Floor	Rs.150/-
Hotel One Bay SCO/SCF 1st/2nd Floor	Rs.100/-
Residence in SCF 1st/2nd Floor	Rs.75/-
Proposed rates for Special Category of Commercial Establishments	***Rate per establishment per month***
Big Hotel Aroma, Piccadily, Sunbeam	Rs.2000/-

Cinema	Rs.2000/-
Dharma Shala	Rs.2000/-
School/Polyclinic/Vet. Hospital	Rs.1000/- each
Taxi Stand	Rs.150/- each
Coal Depot	Rs.300/-
Petrol Pump	Rs.250/-
Creche	Rs.100/-

The amount be charged along with the water /sewerage bill, wherever there is a water connection. Where there is no water connection a separate collection mechanism be devised.

TABLE AGENDA ITEM NO. 15

RCE for Construction of multilevel parking near Sh. Gurdev Studio, Sector 17, Chandigarh.

The Secretary placed table agenda item No.15 before the House for approval.

Sh. Surinder Bahga stated that he had a meeting with the Chief Architect and she apprised that consultancy fee has not been paid in 4-5 projects including multi level parking. He was of the view that the Corporation should pay the consultancy fee first to the Architect Department. He further said that the estimate seems to be at lower side and should be rechecked and security system should also be provided there. He pointed out that the matter pertaining to cutting of trees and shifting of cables, if any, should be taken up at the earlier stage so that project should not delay. He strongly proposed to pass the agenda.

Sh. Rajesh Kumar Gupta was of the view that agenda be deferred till all the formalities are completed and the estimate be prepared again in detail keeping in view of the related aspects.

The Mayor stated that the land for the multi level parking has been finalized and its drawing has also been approved and as such all the para meters have been fixed for this project, so there is no reason to delay this project and moreover it is to be executed by the Corporation at its own level.

Sh. Arun Sood was of the view that this agenda should be deferred as it involves a huge amount and moreover it was placed before the House as table agenda and nobody could go through it in such a short period. He further said that the former Mayor had inaugurated an over bridge in Sector 17 on such a road which is never congested with the vehicles and no logic seems to be there for constructing the said over bridge for which around 60 trees have been cut down.

"The House considered & by majority resolved that the estimate amounting to Rs.46.62 crore for Construction of multilevel parking near Sh. Gurdev Studio, Sector 17, Chandigarh, be and is hereby approved."

TABLE AGENDA ITEM NO. 16

RCE for Widening of V-6 road in Milk Colony Dhanas, Chandigarh (upto surface dressing).

The Secretary placed table agenda item No.16 before the House for approval.

"*The House considered & unanimously resolved that the estimate amounting to Rs.76.54 lac for Widening of V-6 road in Milk Colony Dhanas, Chandigarh (upto surface dressing)., be and is hereby approved subject to the condition that the approval of Chandigarh Administration will be sought if required."*

Letter of Chandigarh Administration pertaining to Introduction of Property Tax on residential buildings – For information of the House.

The Commissioner apprised that two letters have been received from Chandigarh Administration for imposition of property tax on residential buildings which are for information of the House.

Sh. Sat Parkash Aggarwal said that the Punjab Municipal Corporation Act is applicable to the Chandigarh and under this Act property tax on residential buildings has not been imposed in the State of Punjab. It has been mentioned that grant-in-aid amounting to Rs.400.00 crore would be released to Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh for 2-3 projects under JNNURM. He further said that it would be better if this issue is discussed in the meeting of House Tax Assessment Committee and on the recommendation of the said Committee the matter would be placed before the House.

Sh. Satish Kumar said that the Corporation has sufficient funds therefore, there is no need to introduce the house tax.

Sh. Davesh Moudgil said that residents of Chandigarh are already paying various taxes, therefore, there is no need to impose house tax. It would be better if the Corporation approaches the local M.P. to increase the grant-in-aid to U.T., Chandigarh from Government of India. He strongly opposed imposition of property tax on residential buildings.

Sh. M.P. Kohli said that the Punjab Municipal Act is applicable in U.T., Chandigarh and the city follows the State of Punjab which has not imposed any House Tax so far. He further said that the members of the various committees should be involved in tender processing system of all the three wings of the Corporation to make the system more transparent.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2

Question/Answer

Question By Sh. Satinder Singh, Councillor

The Secretary placed agenda item No.2 before the House for discussion.

Sh Satinder Singh said that as per the section 64(2) of the Act question is to be taken up in the first half hour of the meeting, whereas his question was being discussed at the end of the

meeting. He desired that in future this provision should be kept in view. He enquired about the original budget allocation for primary education and further pointed out that from budget allocation of Rs 5.40 Cr for the year 2011-2012, only an amount of Rs 44,000/- has been spent for the maintenance of primary school at Manimajra, which is very small amount. He said that the Corporation does not seem to be serious about the primary education and he requested that this matter should be taken care off. He further pointed out that the Corporation has not taken any step for the up-liftment of the standard of the primary education, which is basic requirement of the people of India. He said that the Corporation should take up the primary education seriously and should approach the Chandigarh Administration for approval of required posts. He further pointed out that the reply of his question No 6 is negative, whereas as per his knowledge in the year 2007 a Primary School situated in Sector 23 was converted into a community center. He desired that an inquiry should be conducted in this matter as to how the norms were broken and the school was converted into the community center and an inquiry should be got conducted by a senior officer.

Sh. Sunil Bhatia, Addl. Commissioner-I said that initially budget provision of Rs 18.00 lac was made out for primary education, which was later revised to Rs 5.40 Cr. The Schools transferred to the Corporation has no scope or potential of extension and if renovated, they have to be closed down. New schools are to be constructed on which main part of the budget would be utilized and the teachers already engaged by the Chandigarh Administration are working in these schools. A proposal of creation of new posts has already been sent to the Chandigarh Administration with a view that number of Schools is going to increase from 7 to 25. No school was converted into the Community Center after transfer of schools to the Corporation.

Smt. Laxmi Devi requested that the Community Center already approved in Ward No 7 be constructed at the earliest. She also pointed out that the lights in the parks and street are not working which should be taken care of.

Sh. Des Raj Gupta said that PGI has decided to build 10 bedded hospital in Indira Colony, Manimajra. There were some juggies of the poor people in Indira Colony which were demolished by the Corporation. These poor people have been residing there for the last 25years and they have been issued Ration Card and Voter ID Card. He was of the view that area councilors should have been taken in confidence before taking such action and the poor people should have been accommodated at some other place. He further pointed out that there is great rush of vehicles at the railway crossing near Indira Colony and requested that this curve of road should be widened to ease the traffic. He further requested that urinials have been built up adjacent to the Piple Tree, which should be shifted to some other place as religious sentiments of the people are hurt. He further pointed out that many trucks arrive in the Motor Market at Manimajra for repairing but the Inspector Enforcement issue challan to the truck owners for parking on the road side. He requested that the Inspector Enforcement from Manimajra be shifted to somewhere else. He further pointed out that Mayor visited his ward but he was not informed about her visit. He further requested that a signboard mentioning the name of the area councillor should be installed near the residence of the councillors.

Sh. Darshan Kumar said that there is no Community Centre in any village or rehabilitation colony. Three years ago a foundation stone of community centre in village Palsora was laid but construction has not so far been started. A community Centre in Sector 56 has been approved but on that site some juggies are situated which should be shifted and they should be rehabilitated at some other place as bio-matric survey has been conducted for those people.

Sh. Satish Kumar said that in Colony No. 4 and Sanjay Colony there are some juggies. Temporary toilets in shape of tin sheds have been provided for the residents but now these tin sheds have been broken. An agenda was passed by the Sanitation Committee for repairing of those toilet blocks but nothing has been done in this regard. He requested that the estimates for repairing of those toilet blocks be got approved by the F&CC and they should be got repaired.

Replying the question of Sh. Saurabh Joshi, the Superintending Engineer (PH) apprised that an estimate of Rs. 40.00 Crore was prepared and approved for laying of MS Pipe line and the MES so far deposited an amount of Rs. 31.06 Crore. In a meeting it was decided that MES would deposit the amount in installments and as such this project was allowed to be split in 10 parts and the work was also divided in 4 parts. This estimate was prepared on 23.08.2008 and that time the rate of MIS pipe was Rs. 58/- Per Kg. which was approved by the MES authority. Due to fluctuation in the rate of MS Steel in the market the rates came down and the tender were approved on the prevailing market rates. He suggested that if detailed reply is required he can submit the same in the next meeting of the House.

Sh. Saurabh Joshi agreed that the reply of his question in detail should be placed before the House in its next meeting with the main agenda.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

Secretary,
Municipal Corporation,
Chandigarh.

Mayor,
Municipal Corporation,
Chandigarh.