SWASTH SURAKSHIT SAJAG GURGAON

स्वस्थ सुरक्षित सजग गुडगाँव

Despite its global visibility, life in Gurgaon remains difficult. Air quality, transportation, water logging and waste are pain points for all residents. In addition, the common man struggles to access public health, basic education, decent housing, safety and affordable opportunities for leisure and self-improvement.

We envision a healthy, safe and sustainable Gurgaon that supports all residents' aspirations to live and work in ease, safety, well-being and harmony. We believe these goals can best be achieved through an *empowered local governance system*, where residents can participate and where elected leaders are held accountable.

To these ends, we propose the following measures:

SWASTH GURGAON (Healthy Gurgaon) स्वस्थ गुडगाँव

Waste

- Support and aim for 100% primary 'segregation at source' of municipal waste and composting at source
- Review and reduce tipping fees to discourage mixed-waste collection
- Ensure at least one secondary sorting & processing unit per ward for waste
- Allocate land to build this in each ward
- Enforce ban on single use plastic

Green and flood-free

- Protect the Aravalli range to improve biodiversity, air quality and water security
- Revisit and rework Gurgaon's drainage plan
- Redevelop green spaces by lowering of green belts to increase their capacity to hold water during heavy rains
- Design footpaths and other infrastructure to maximise infiltration of rainwater
- Redevelop fragments of 'revenue rasta' and revenue land as green belts
- Revive and protect natural nullahs, and existing water bodies

Air pollution

- Increase public bus fleet to 500 low-floor AC electric public buses, in addition to the extension of the Metro system
- Make clean cooking fuel accessible and affordable for low-income households

Public health

- Improve existing primary health centres and schools by improving infrastructure and introducing 'smart' solutions
- Open health sub-centres as proposed under NUHM guidelines
- Increase number and quality of public toilets, especially for women and differently abled

Sports, recreation and community development

- Promote a culture of sports and increase publicly accessible parks and playing fields in every sector
- Open a centralised public library with satellites in each ward; develop these into youth centres to motivate, skill, guide young people
- Redevelop community centres to house libraries, sports facilities
- Ensure adequate space for religious activities of all religions in light of increasing population

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SURAKSHIT GURGAON (Safe Gurgaon) सुरक्षित गुडगाँव

- Ensure footpaths and zebra crossings to make all streets safe and walkable
- Improve safety of public places and public transport by conducting regular safety audits, generating gender disaggregated data and strengthening tech and app-based helplines and emergency response
- Create a single window helpline to aid victims/survivors of sexual crimes
- · Strengthen capacity of police officers on sexual and gender-based violence
- Provide counselling and mental health services in all police stations
- Initiate dialogue between diverse communities to foster harmony and peace

SAJAG GURGAON (Accountable Gurgaon) सजग गुडगाँव

- Activate ward committees to improve localised governance
- Ensure inclusion of women, elderly, minorities and other under-represented segments of population in decision making forums
- Ensure proper counting in next Census to reflect actual population, aid accurate urban planning

As **citizens**, we propose to undertake the following actions to ensure accountability and continued dialogue between elected representatives, bureaucracy and residents:

- Develop metrics for tracking improvements in the above areas
- Publish metrics, white papers and case studies to educate public and create a common basis for dialogue
- Organise regular convenings on issues important to Gurgaon metropolitan region

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