

## PROUD-अभिमान

## (PEOPLE'S RESPONSIBLE ORGANISATION OF UNITED DHARAVI)

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To

3<sup>rd</sup> November, 2014

Shri. Devendra Fadnavis, The Chief Minister, Govt. of Maharashtra, Mantralaya, Mumbai. िरिप्या - 14 तिपिक मुख्यमंत्री सचिवालय मंत्रालय, मुंबई-४००३२.

Sub: Dharavi Redevelopment Project(DRP)

Dear Chief Minister,

First of all, we wish to congratulate you for being elected as 27<sup>th</sup> Chief Minister of Maharashtra.

This is to kindly inform you that about 200 representatives such as, housing activists, grass-root NGOs, CBOs from Dharavi and surrounding areas of Mumbai participated in a **Public Rally** in Dharavi organized as part of **World Habitat Day Programme** on 31<sup>st</sup> October, 2014 in Dharavi, Mumbai.

As you may be aware, **Dharavi** slum is one of the largest slum-settlement of Asia with almost 1Million people and we believe that whatever happens in Dharavi today will happen to other slums of the state tomorrow. More than 80% of the people in Dharavi currently live in the houses which are less than 100 Sq. Ft. or less. People of Dharavi have struggled untiringly for years to have decent shelter and have shed their blood and sweat to transform Dharavi slum(*once a dumping ground*) to a better place to live.

It has always been the ever-ending dreams and aspirations of the people to have decent houses with necessary basic civic amenities, but every 5 years elections come and go, governments come but several promises made by the politicians during elections were never been fulfilled.

We hope, you will work hard to fulfill the dreams and aspirations of the people and here are some of our demands:

- 1. Immediate implementation of Dharavi Redevelopment Project(DRP) with the consent of the local people.
- 2. Residents of Dharavi whether they are on Pipelines, Railway lines, Under Tata Power lines, & Bridges should be **rehabilitated within Dharavi**.

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- 3. Building flats are not just enough, Govt. should ensure **Livelihood** of the people and the existing home-based, self employment and small scale industrial units in Dharavi are protected.
- 4. Existing structures and the present occupant must be considered as the eligible occupant.
- 5. While previous Govt. proposed Public-Private Partnership, we demand **Public-Private-Community Partnership in** all Slum Redevelopment Projects.
- 6. Hawker's Zone must be created for thousands of hawkers in Dharavi.
- 7. Considering the low bank interest, developer must be asked to **deposit at-least Rs. 1Lakh** per family instead of just Rs.20,000/- the interest of which will go towards society maintenance.
- 8. Finally, Govt. should come-up with proper policy to provide affordable houses to all those who are in rented houses.

We assure you our full co-operation and support for all the pro-people projects of the newly formed government of Maharashtra and hereby seek an early appointment to discuss the above issues in detail.

(Shri. Sayyed Liyakat Ali)
President

(Shri. Prashant Anthony)
Co-ordinator

## Copy to:

- 1. Shri. Rahul Shewale, local MP, Mumbai South-Central Constituency, Mumbai.
- 2. Smt. Varsha Gaikwad, Local MLA, Dharavi, Mumbai.
- 3. Chief Executive Officer, Dharavi RedevelopmentProject(DRP), MHADA, Bandra East, Mumbai.