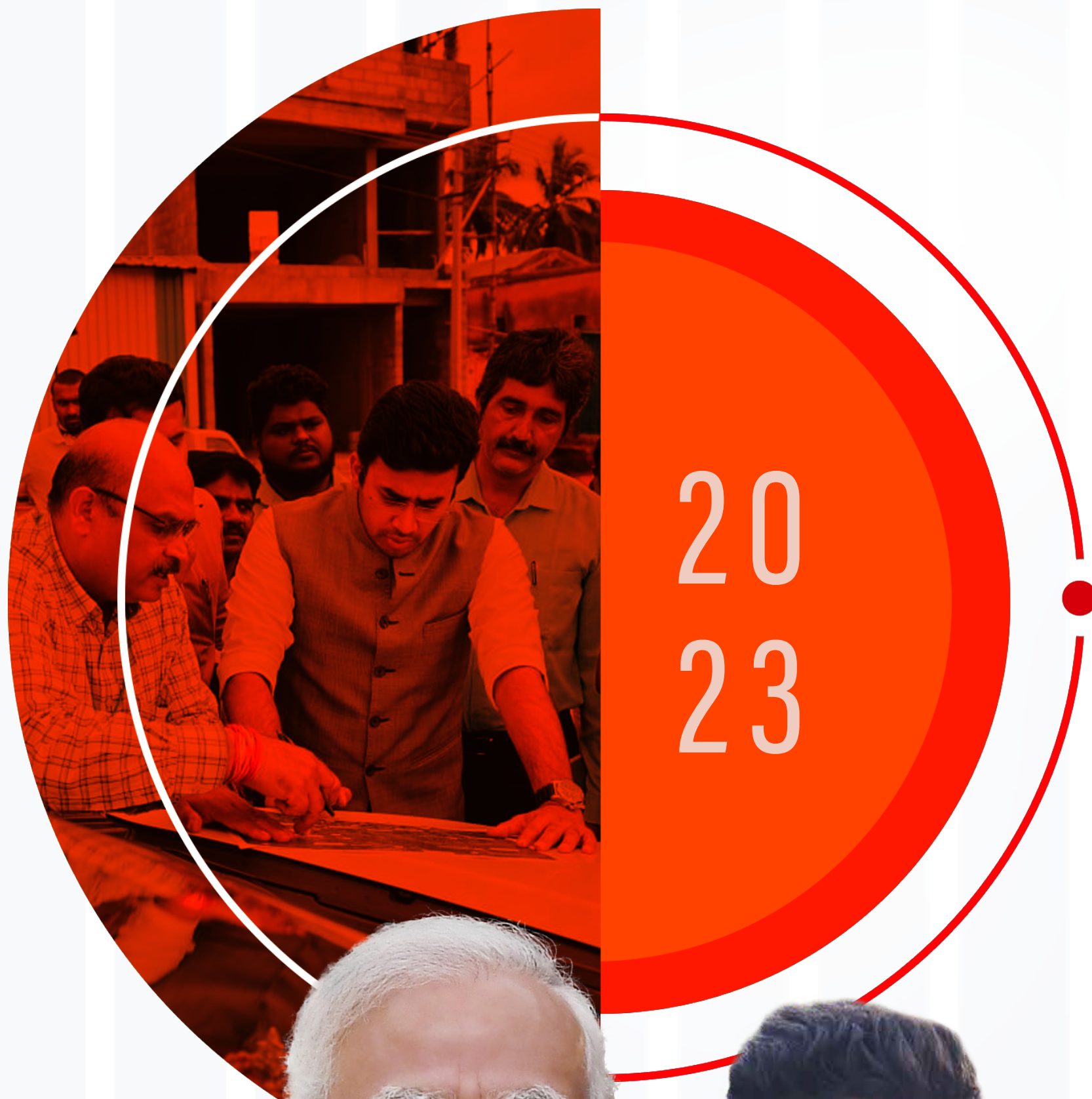


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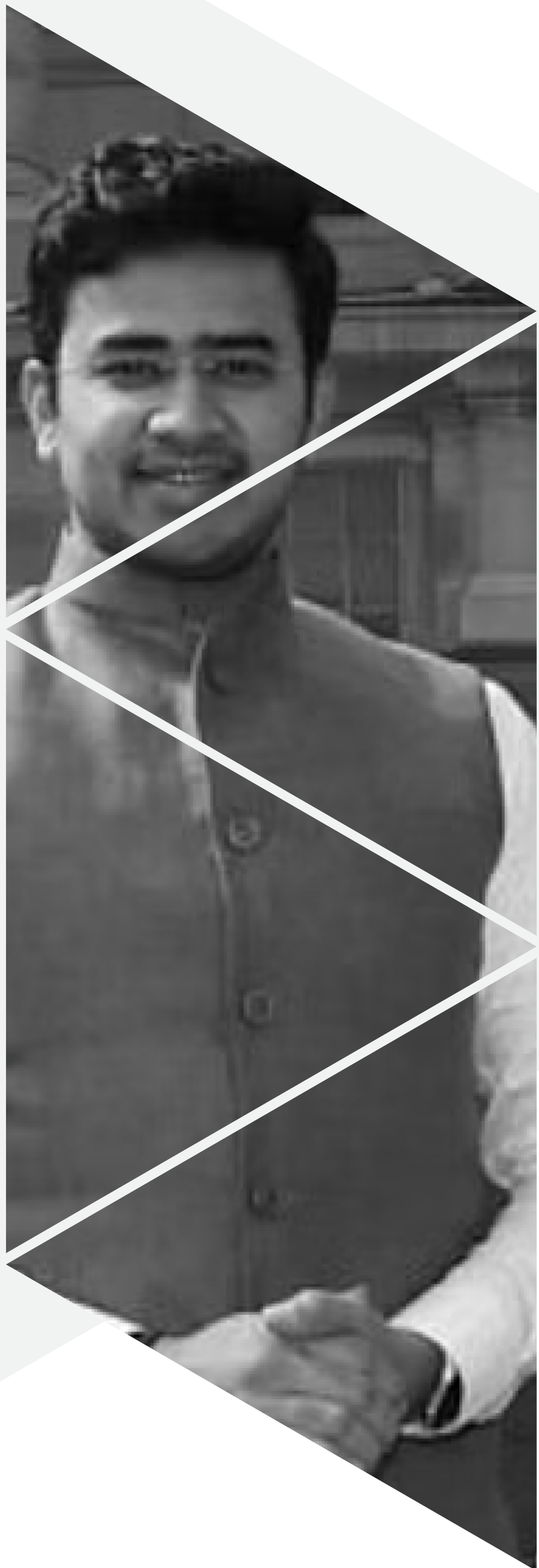


While in 2022, Bengaluru completed its full recovery from a once-in-a-century pandemic, Sri Tejasvi Surya, MP Bengaluru South, marked 2023 with several health and welfare initiatives. He set up a free dialysis centre for the poor as well as established the highest number of Jan Aushadhi stores in any city for availing low-cost generic medicines.

That apart, he also led several initiatives to improve the academic performance of students in Bengaluru, including handing out over a 1,000 scholarships through NaMo Vidyanidhi as well as compact guidebooks for the easy reference reading for children.

Even as Bengaluru's traffic congestion problem got worse over the year, Surya prioritised the early completion of Namma Metro, a project that will serve as a reliable mass transit option for commuters in the city. His interventions also ensured progress in other infrastructure projects like the Bengaluru Suburban Railway Project (BSRP), Satellite Town Ring Road (STRR) and the deployment of more Electric Buses for the BMTC.

As we move on to another year of public service, we look back at the year gone by...



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HEALTH



In 2023, Surya worked on delivering big impact welfare projects in the sector of health. A dialysis centre for the poor, crossing a century of Jan Aushadhi Kendras, maximising PMNRF benefits for the underprivileged are some of the highlights of the work done in healthcare.

100TH JAN AUSHADHI KENDRA

Medicines at Jan Aushadhi stores are available at 70-90% reduced rates, enabling citizens to save their expenses on medicines every year. On March 7, 2023, Bengaluru South's 100th Jan Aushadhi Kendra came up at the KSRTC Hospital in Jayanagar.



In 2019, there were 14 Janaushadhi Kendras in Bengaluru South Constituency. Bengaluru South is now the Constituency with the highest number of Jan Aushadhi Kendras with around 120 stores by the end of 2023.



NAMO FREE DIALYSIS CENTRE

The Honourable MP set up a free dialysis centre with help from MP Local Area Development Fund at the KSRTC Hospital, Jayanagar. It currently provides over 500 free dialysis sessions per month, serving as a quality treatment option for the poor in Bengaluru South.

Union Health Minister Dr Mansukh Mandaviya and Karnataka Chief Minister Sri Basavaraj Bommai inaugurated the Dialysis Centre on March 7.

FREE MEDICINES FOR SENIORS

Senior citizens incur expenses of about Rs 3,000-5,000 a month on the purchase of medicines for Hypertension, diabetes, blood pressure, sugar etc. Surya set up the NaMo Arogya Nidhi through which over 650 seniors citizens of Bengaluru South avail their monthly medicinal requirements from the MP Office for free.



Interested citizens can approach the MP Office to avail medicines under the scheme.

NAMO AROGYA NIDHI CAMPS

The Honourable MP in association with Unique Healthcare Centre conducted free Liver Fibro Scans for more than 150 citizens on November 16. These tests help countless citizens in the maintenance of liver health and prevent liver damage.



Picture: On November 1, on the occasion of Kannada Rajyotsava, Surya conducted a free orthopaedic checkup for 300 citizens.

MOBILE HEALTHCARE UNITS

Looking to increase accessibility to quality healthcare for the poor, Surya provided 2 mobile healthcare units, purchased under the MPLAD Scheme, to Victoria Hospital and Vani Vilas Hospital on August 15. These mobile units will move around the vulnerable areas of Bengaluru South conducting health camps.



AYUSHMAN BHARAT REGISTRATION DRIVE

The Honourable MP organized an 'Ayushman Bharat' registration drive at Shalini Grounds, registering over 1000, citizens. To date, over 4 lakh residents of Bengaluru have received ABHA cards. Under the leadership of Prime Minister

Narendra Modi, the government provides a medical treatment cover of Rs 5 lakh per year to every household falling below the poverty line.



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“About 10-12 lakh people all over the country are buying medicines from about 9,200 Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Kendras (PMBJKs) on a daily basis. The annual savings, compared to the prices of branded medicines in the market, is estimated as about Rs. 4,000 crores during the financial year 2020-21, about Rs. 5,300 Crore during financial year 2021-22, and approximately Rs. 6,900 Crore in 2022-23.”

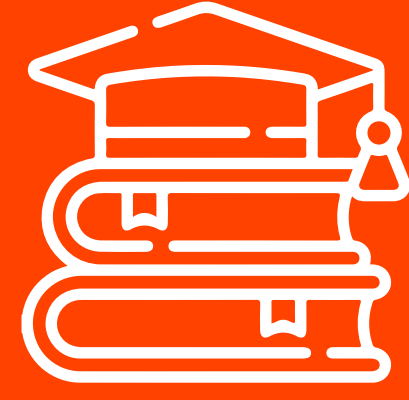
- Union Health Minister Dr Mansukh Mandaviya

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EDUCATION



PARIKSHA PE CHARCHA

During 'Pariksha Pe Charcha', PM Sri Narendra Modi Ji Delivers a motivational talk to students about exams and other aspects of life. Over 500 students from Bengaluru South were part of the interaction at RV Teachers' College on January 27.



MODEL G20 SUMMIT FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN

The Honourable MP organised the country's first Model G20 Summit for schoolchildren on January 30 at PES University. This event celebrated India's G20 presidency and aimed to inspire young minds on nation-building, innovation, and addressing global challenges. 80 delegates from 20 schools represented G20 Member-Nations and Guest Countries. They discussed issues on three agendas namely Green Development, Climate Finance and Lifestyle for the environment (LiFE). The student delegations drafted resolutions in a collaborative spirit fostering a sense of empowerment to address the challenges of tomorrow.



EXAM WORKBOOKS FOR SSLC STUDENTS

Surya developed an exam workbook for SSLC students in association with the Karnataka Education Department to make learning simpler and easier for students. He distributed over 10,000 free SSLC Workbooks for students across Bengaluru South.

He inaugurated the campaign at the KPS School in Agara and handed over workbooks to 350 students in the presence of MLA Sri M Satish Reddy on February 11.



NAMO VIDYANIDHI SCHOLARSHIP

In 2023, Surya increased the coverage of the NaMo Vidyanidhi, a scholarship scheme granting Rs 10,000 each to meritorious students from financially challenged backgrounds. He organised special scholarship distribution programmes with former Prime Minister Sri HD Devegowda, External Affairs Minister Dr S Jaishankar and other dignitaries, who encouraged the students to perform well and pursue higher education.



The NaMo Vidyanidhi family has grown bigger and closer in 2023. The beneficiaries of the scholarship came together to mark the festivals of Ganesha Chaturthi and Deepavali this year and promised to celebrate at least one big festival a year to improve their bonding and ties with one another.

NO. OF CHILDREN FROM EACH ASSEMBLY CONSTITUENCY (AREA WISE DISTRIBUTION)

Basavanagudi - 350	Chickpete - 38	Padmanabhanagar - 284
Bommanahalli - 162	Govindaraja Nagar - 22	Vijayanagar - 81
BTM Layout - 151	Jayanagar - 103	Others - 32

1223	122	724
Total Vidyanidhi scholarship beneficiaries	No. of children from single parent family	No. of girls student beneficiaries

CLASS-WISE DISTRIBUTION OF STUDENT BENEFICIARIES

Class 8	Class 9	Class 10	Class 11	Class 12	Others	Total
158	291	275	209	117	113	1223

NO. OF SCHOOLS & COLLEGES REACHED - 344

MOTIVATING AND ENCOURAGING TEACHERS



The Bengaluru South Education and Social Transformation (BEST) programme is making long-term gains in improving the standing of Bengaluru South Parliamentary Constituency in school education. More than 14 schools showed an improvement of more than 50% in the performance of their students in the SSLC exams. Surya particularly extended congratulations to

the teachers and students of Government High School, Wilson Garden, Bengaluru South, for driving their students to outstanding results in Class 10 exams on June 17.

OUTREACH TO NEW INDIA THROUGH NEW INDIA DEBATES

The MP delivered several talks in colleges in Bengaluru and Delhi on the Good Governance of PM Sri Narendra Modi Ji in the last 9 years at the New India Debates organised by New India Junction. His talks from BNMIT, AMC College (both Bengaluru) and NLU (Delhi) were widely attended by students and keenly followed on social media too.



Sri Dharmendra Pradhan, Hon'ble Minister of Education, on Financial Literacy in School and College Curriculum:

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The National Education Policy (NEP), 2020 has recognized financial literacy as one of the important components for multiple-skill formation among learners. With technological advances, the younger generation is more prone to financial risks. CBSE offers 'Financial Literacy' as a Skill Module in classes VI-VIII.

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NAMO VIDYANIDHI PURASKARA

The MP honoured the SSLC and II PUC toppers from Bengaluru South Constituency, along with achievers of the NaMo Vidyanidhi Scholarship program on June 3. Many recipients of NaMo Vidyanidhi aced the exams, a testament to the success of the scholarship programme in driving a notable social transformation among children from economically weaker sections.



YOUTH CAN LEAD COHORT 4 AND COHORT 5

The leadership program started by the Honourable MP creates a platform to empower youth and explore their potential through the intersection of grassroots-level democracy and exposure to policy-making and governance action. 40 young minds of the Youth Can Lead Cohort 4 got a glimpse of administration, fieldwork and policy analysis in two months in June. Cohort 5 also commenced in July with 55 driven young citizens exploring public governance and administration from close corners over 8 weeks.



BENGALURU SCHOOL LEADERS COUNCIL 2023 CONVENTION

The Council comprising representatives from about 40 top schools of the constituency convened on July 9 to explore and enhance their knowledge in leadership and governance, fostering a collaborative environment for shared learning and growth.



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MPLADS



Carrying on from 2022, Surya increased the spending on health and education in 2023. He recommended unique welfare works through the MPLAD scheme, setting up a free dialysis centre, solar panels in schools and wheelchair accessible resting point for gig workers - all in 2023.



INSPECTION OF RENOVATION WORK AT KPS BASAVANAGUDI

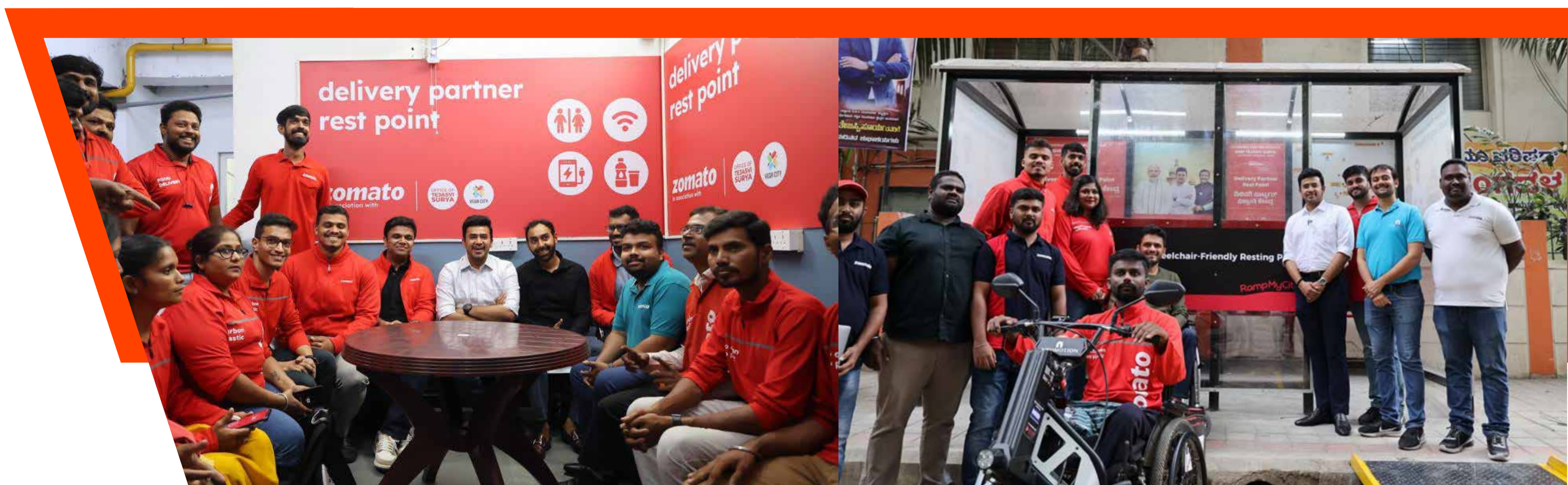
The Honourable MP inspected renovation work at KPS Basavanagudi along with 80 Rotarians on August 12. This school is being redone into a model school under MPLADS and with support from CSR partners.

The ground floor of the school has received a facelift with work progressing fast in the other 2 floors. The computer and physics labs have been updated with new hardware and laptops. Digital libraries and visual display units were also installed in the school with the last few repairs set to be completed shortly.



RENOVATION OF MES SCHOOL

The allocation of funds to renovate classrooms, staff rooms and office space to MES School will enhance students' academic and learning experiences.



RESTING POINT FOR GIG WORKERS

Delivery executives commute around the city on two-wheelers almost throughout the day leading to fatigue. To enable them to take breaks during their work, Surya set up a 'Resting Point' outside the MP Office using funds from MPLAD scheme on November 16. The office of the MP partnered with Zomato to provide refreshments like tea and biscuits for all delivery partners reaching here. This was the second such Resting Zone set up by the MP - with the other one operating from Vega City Mall. The Office further partnered with Ramp My City to make the Resting Point wheelchair friendly, thereby helping over 100 wheelchair delivery partners working in the city easily access the Resting Point.

Apart from the work in schools, the MP also recommended funds for borewells in BTM Layout and Vijayanagar, construction of a cultural space in Bengaluru South, model bus stand in Nayandahalli and a shelter for transgenders.



INSTALLATION OF SOLAR LIGHTS

In BTM Layout, solar lamps have been installed in the Someshwar Nagar slum area. This will enhance visibility in the locality contributing to a safer and well-lit environment.

Additionally, a solar grid system has been installed at BES College in Jayanagar to promote sustainable energy solutions.



CONSTRUCTION OF NEW TOILETS AT MARUTHI HIGHER PRIMARY SCHOOL

Work is underway to construct 8 new toilets & urinals in Maruthi Higher Primary School, Hombegowda Nagar.

Supporting and building quality infrastructure in government schools has been the top priority in utilisation of MPLAD funds in Bengaluru South Constituency. In that regard, he recommended works to build solar grid systems at KPS Sarakki, KPS Agara and BES College. Through the MPLAD fund, solar street lights were installed in Someshwara Colony (BTM Layout) and Kavika Layout (Vijayanagar), also paving the way for the removal of old and dangerous electric cables in each of these localities.



CONSTRUCTION OF BADMINTON COURT

Work is underway for the construction of an indoor badminton court in Aduvodi Police Residence Premises. The project aims to provide a dedicated space for badminton enthusiasts within the community.

CONSTRUCTION OF BASKETBALL COURT

The construction of a state-of-the-art basketball court at Kittur Rani Chennamma Stadium in Jayanagar has been successfully completed.

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POLICY DISCUSSIONS AND INTERVENTIONS



AS' MEET

In association with
BJP Karnataka Economic Cell

In conversation with
Sri Piyush Goyal Ji



TAXATION OF COOPERATIVES

Surya held a meeting with the members of the Karnataka State Souharda Federal Cooperative Ltd in Bengaluru on January 10 and discussed various issues regarding policy, taxation and ways to build robust cooperative institutions. With India having the largest cooperative movement in the world consisting of a network of around 8.5 lakh and over 90% of the population linked to the cooperative movement, the MP urged the federation members to digitise operations in line with other banks for the benefit of the people.



BENGALURU SOUTH STARTUP DIALOGUE



On National Startup Day, the MP organised the 'Bengaluru South Startup Dialogue' at Oxford College of Business Management to empower the youth with insights to startup culture on January 16. More than 300 students engaged in insightful discussion with young startup founders about creating & accelerating startups from scratch. Ms Ishita Sawant, Founder of Meolaa & Mr Surajit Sinha, Founder of Snehix from TiE Bangalore shared their journeys. Mr Ankur Pandey, CGM, SBI Startup Branch threw light on govt schemes & bank services for startups.

STARTUP FOUNDERS' MEET

Surya, along with BJP Karnataka Economic Cell, hosted an exclusive 'Startup Founders' Meet' with Honourable Minister of Commerce and Industry, Shri Piyush Goyal, on February 4. The Minister held a free-wheeling discussion on the various initiatives taken up by the Government of India for promoting the startup ecosystem. 110 members of the startup fraternity took part and suggested reforms that can be taken up by the Government for improving India's 'Ease of Doing Business' and engaged in a fruitful discussion with the Minister.



SANSAD DHVANI ON UNION BUDGET 2023-2024 AND DIGITAL PERSONAL DATA PROTECTION ACT



Continuing his efforts on increasing public awareness on the Government's major legislations, the MP held a Sansad Dhvani on the Amrit Kaal Budget on February 11.

Along with Shri R Ashoka (BJP MLA), renowned CA Shri Guruprasad Makam and Shri Channegowda (Editor, Vijayavani), he deliberated in detail about how budget, agriculture, industries, science and technology are geared towards acknowledging and achieving the dreams of 140 Crore Indians under the leadership of PM Shri Narendra Modi Ji.

Later on August 12, he organised another Sansad Dhvani on 'The Digital Personal Data Protection Act 2023' with Minister of State of Electronics and IT, Shri Rajeev Chandrasekhar. They discussed in detail on India's revolution in data privacy and the innovation brought about by PM Shri Narendra Modi Ji government that will help a Digital Nagrik enforce one's rights & duties in the Digital Space.



YUVA SAMVADA WITH FOREIGN MINISTER DR S JAISHANKAR



In 2023, Surya organised many engaging discussions with Union Government Ministers in colleges across Bengaluru South. On March 24, over 800 students participated in a Yuva Samvada on 'New Karnataka for New India' with External Affairs Minister Dr S Jaishankar at RV Dental College. The EAM returned to Bengaluru a week later to address youngsters on India's foreign policy and the significance of the country's presidency of the G20 summit.

Later, Surya organised two talks with Union Minister of Women and Child Development Smt. Smriti Irani at PES University and REVA University on March 27. Together, they addressed a gathering of more than 2,500 first time voters, cementing the involvement of youth in modern day democracy.



MEET & GREET WITH SOCIAL MEDIA INFLUENCERS



The MP engaged in a Meet & Greet session with over 50 social media influencers from Bengaluru as part of the Jan Sampark Abhiyaan on June 18. During the interaction, he discussed the various initiatives undertaken by the Government of India over the past nine years for the city's development. Additionally, the MP sought suggestions from the influencers regarding privacy and personal data protection laws.

TIFFIN BAITAK WITH SHRI RAJEEV CHANDRASEKHAR

The Honourable MP along with the Honourable Minister of State for Electronics and IT, Shri Rajeev Chandrasekhar, interacted with the residents of Jayanagar and discussed the transformation of India under PM Shri Narendra Modi Ji on June 23.



ISSUING LONG-TERM FSSAI LICENCES



The Honourable MP on August 2 led a delegation of the Bruhat Bengaluru Hotels' Association to a meeting with Union Health Minister Dr Mansukh Mandaviya and requested the Minister to consider issuing FSSAI everlasting licences to individuals in the hospitality industry and enhance the ease of doing business for them.

MEETING WITH CLUSTER HEADS OF BANGALORE APARTMENTS' FEDERATION

During a discussion with the cluster heads of the Federation of Bangalore Apartments on August 5, the MP invited suggestions from the Federation on changes to the RERA and other central legislations. He also informed the Federation to spread awareness about K-RERA instructing builders to transfer common areas in flats to the association of allottees, an intervention made by him to help all apartment owners realise their rights.



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SPORTS



NAMO 5K CHARITY RUN

Over 2,500 runners completed the NaMo Charity Run and pledged their support for the Honourable MP's NaMo Vidyanidhi Scholarship at the BGS Stadium, Vijayanagar on 21st January. Advocating for a citizen driven social movement, the funds raised by the running community of the city supported meritorious kids from economically weak backgrounds pursue their dreams.



FIT INDIA SCHOOL WEEK

400 children from various government schools in Vijayanagar participated in sports competitions as part of the Fit India School Week programme held in association with the Sports Authority of India (SAI) Bengaluru centre. Competitions were held in 100m, 200m, shot put, kho-kho, volleyball and throwball for the children, providing them a platform to showcase their ability on the big stage.



MODI CRICKET CUP 2023

As part of FIT India Movement, the Honourable MP organised 'the Modi Cricket Cup 2023', a two-day sporting extravaganza in Bengaluru South to commemorate PM Sri Narendra Modi Ji's birthday. The tournament witnessed 64 teams and more than 850 participants, turning out to be the most competitive Gully Cricket tournament in Namma Bengaluru.



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MOBILITY



INSPECTION OF BEGUR ROAD INTERSECTION IN BOMMANAHALLI

The Honourable MP, along with MLA Shri Satish Reddy and NHAI officials, conducted an inspection of the Begur Road intersection in Bommanahalli on NH-44. Recognizing that this junction was prone to major accidents & was also considered as one of the most dangerous zones for pedestrians in the country, the MP and MLA urged NHAI and other relevant authorities to implement corrective measures. This includes the installation of a Footover Bridge (FoB) and other engineering solutions to enhance pedestrian safety.



REVIEW OF SATELLITE TOWN RING ROAD (STRR)



The Honourable MP inspected two sections of the Satellite Town Ring Road (STRR) project on July 29 and reviewed its progress towards timely completion. The STRR (Satellite Town ring Road), being built under the Bharatmala Pariyojana, will cover Anekal, Kanakapura, Ramanagara, Magadi, Dabaspur, Doddaballapura, Devanahalli and Hoskote. It will offer a bypass route for large trucks and lorries and decongest the traffic in the city.

The MP inspected the work in the first and second section of the STRR, which passes through Dabaspur, Doddaballapur and Hoskote. About 38 km of the Doddaballapur-Hoskote six-lane stretch and Dabaspur-Doddaballapur four-lane stretch of 42 km are nearing completion.

The Honourable MP actively participated in the meetings headed by Road Transport and Highway Minister Shri Nitin Gadkari Ji, former Karnataka Chief Minister Sri Basavaraj Bommai and NHAI officials, following which the project is being completed at a rapid pace.



ADDRESSING DELAY IN YELLOW LINE'S COMPLETION

The Yellow line spans 18.8 km from RV Road to Bommasandra with 16 stations. It connects two ends of Bengaluru South Constituency and important ITBT and industrial corridors. The Honourable MP inspected the progress of the Yellow Line on October 4 which revealed supply issues with the rolling stock for the metros. The BMRCL, known for consistently missing its own deadlines, had claimed that the line would be ready by February 2024. Another impediment for starting services in early 2024 was the delivery of the Train Control Management System (TCMS) software, expected only by June 2024. Grappling with such issues, the MP expressed that he had his doubts on the Feb 2024 deadline given by the BMRCL authorities.



He began addressing the issues one by one. The first was the delivery of the metro coaches. The coaches for Bengaluru Metro were being manufactured by Chinese firm CRRC Nanjing Puzhen Co Ltd along with their domestic partners Titagarh Rail Systems Ltd in Kolkata. For the Yellow Line in particular, the BMRCL awarded a contract to CRRC to manufacture and dispatch 2 rakes (metro trains) while 5 more would be made by Titagarh.

On October 5, 2023, the MP held a VC with stakeholders concerned, including CRRC, Titagarh Rail Systems and BMRCL to address both the issues of the availability of the rolling stock and the TCMS software. After much deliberation, CRRC agreed to deliver two trains before January 2024.

On October 19, the Honourable MP visited the Titagarh rail manufacturing unit in Kolkata and inaugurated the domestic production of metro coaches at the unit. A few days later on Nov 11, the first rolling stock from CRRC arrived in Titagarh.



The Honourable MP's timely follow up also resulted in the completion of all civil works of the line by December.

OPENING OF PURPLE LINE



The Honourable MP ensured that the new stretches of the Purple Line from Challaghatta to Kengeri and from Baiyappanahalli to Kadugodi are thrown open to the public without undue delays. Even after receiving the clearance from the Commissioner of Railway Safety, Southern Circle, for the newly completed stretches, the Congress Government in Karnataka failed to intimate the Central Government for more than 10 days about the development - as it was supposedly awaiting for the dates from a VIP for the inauguration. The MP led the public backlash against the delay and demanded that the line be thrown open without any formal VIP inauguration. According to the protocol, BMRCL then informed the Centre about the completion of the Purple Line stretches, and sought a date for its launch. The MP travelled to Delhi to meet with the officials concerned and requested for the line to be made operational.

Within a few days of receiving this information, the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs directed the BMRCL to throw open the stretch for the public on the first working day of the subsequent week without any further delay.

VISIT TO NAMMA METRO PURPLE LINE

The Honourable MP travelled on the Namma-Metro Purple Line to KR Pura, and interacted with office-goers and commuters. He further assured the people that Ease of Commute was something that was being tirelessly worked on by the present Central Government in metropolitan cities including Bengaluru.



INSPECTION OF RAILWAY PROJECTS IN BENGALURU



The Honourable MP joined the Honourable Union Railway Minister Shri Ashwini Vaishnaw on his visit to inspect the progress of the redevelopment of Yeshwantpur Railway station, along with the progress of the Bengaluru Suburban Railway Project. They reviewed the initial planning for a 287 km Circular Railway Network around Bengaluru to supplement the Suburban Railway network. The line will run through Nidvanda, Doddaballapur, Devanahalli, Malur, Heelalige, Solur and complete the loop, revolutionising local rail services.

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KEY POLICY INTERVENTIONS

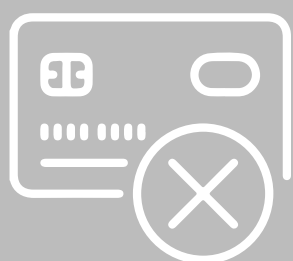


ADDRESSING 'FLIPPING' OF INDIAN STARTUPS

India is close to reaching 1 lakh DPIIT-registered startups, a result of improving Ease of Doing Business in the last 9 years. Surya drew the attention of the Government to the phenomenon of 'flipping' or 'externalisation' - the process where a startup moves its headquarters overseas. He also suggested a conditional transfer of such 'flipped' startups under a repatriation scheme similar to the one announced during Budget 2021 for foreign funds to redomicile to GIFT IFSC in India in a tax-free manner.



REDUCING IMPACT OF SILICON VALLEY BANK'S FAILURE ON INDIAN STARTUPS



Following the collapse of the Silicon Valley Bank in the USA, Surya conducted an emergency consultation with startups and investors and suggested several measures to reduce the impact of the fall on Indian startups.

Key measures include cushioning Indian startups until SVB asset sale goes through, prescribing a route for the repatriation of money and deposit insurance from US to India, assisting in filing claims for uninsured deposits and setting up an emergency help desk from the Government.

REMOVING AREA RESTRICTION FOR KANNIYAN IN THE LIST OF STs IN KARNATAKA

The benefits for the persons belonging to the Kanniyian tribe is restricted to those hailing from Kollegal taluk. Surya requested that this restriction on the area be removed and their entry in the ST list also includes synonyms of the Kanniyian tribe like Kaniyan, Kani, Kaniya, Kaniyaru, Kaniyar and Kanisan.



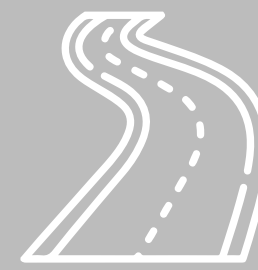
AMENDMENT TO PREVENTION OF CRUELTY AGAINST ANIMALS ACT, 1960



With a rising incidence in the number of cases of Animal Cruelty, Surya requested that the penalties for those convicted of animal cruelty be increased from Rs 50 to a suitable amount. He felt it would deter people from indulging in cruelty.

STRR ALIGNMENT

The Satellite Town Ring Road (STRR) around Bengaluru connecting Dabaspet, Doddaballapur, Hoskote, Hosur, Anekal, Kanakapura, Ramanagara and Magadi is expected to greatly decongest Bengaluru and improve the city's Ease of Living. Surya suggested exploring alternate routes or environmental-friendly routes to a stretch of the STRR passing through the protected forests of Bannerghata National Park. An elevated corridor is being considered for this stretch which would not encroach upon any forest land.



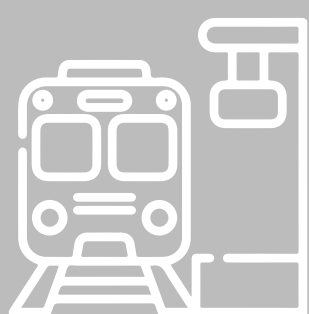
FEEDER BUS SERVICES FOR METRO USERS

The MP requested the BMTC to introduce feeder bus services from metro stations in Bengaluru on the following routes: 1) Kothanur Dinne to JP Nagar Metro Station, 2) Kothanur Dinne to Kaderanahalli underpass, 3) Banashankari Bus Stand to Sai Baba Temple, 80ft Road Arekere, 4) Banashankari Bus Stand to Kothanur Dinne

The BMTC has introduced these bus services at the moment, benefiting commuters in and around JP Nagar.

APPROVAL FOR PHASE 3 OF BENGALURU METRO

Under the BJP Government, the coverage of Bengaluru Metro increased from 7 km in 2014 to over 78 km by 2023. The Phase 3 of Namma Metro from JP Nagar 4th Phase to Kadabagere on Magadi Road is particularly important for Bengaluru South as majority of the line runs through the constituency. Surya has made several representations for the approval of the Phase 3 in 2023.

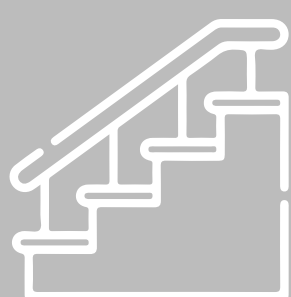
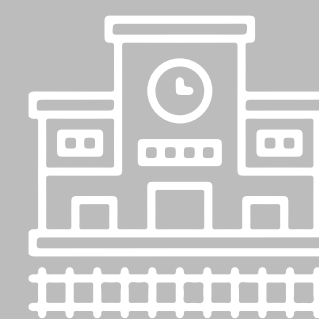


NEW LINE CONNECTING ANEKAL AND BIDADI

The South Western Railway has initiated a survey for a 33 km railway line between Hejjala and Heelalige upon a request by Surya. He has been pressing upon the officials to develop the line right from Anekal and running up to Bidadi, a total length of 48 km.

STRUCTURAL CHANGES IN BMRCL

Namma Metro, being built by BMRCL, is today the second largest metro network in the country after Delhi. An important organisation like the BMRCL is, however, grappling with a few administrative issues leading to delays in execution of projects. The MP proposed a few suggestions to improve the functioning of the BMRCL like appointment of a full-time MD, planning for a transition in leadership, diversifying technical work into decentralised departments, setting up a Headquarters for efficient administration and addressing talent drain in the BMRCL setup.



SKYWALK BETWEEN BANASHANKARI METRO AND BMTC BUS TERMINAL

Back in 2019, the MP conducted an inspection of the Banashankari BMTC Bus Terminal and the Metro Station and requested for a skywalk to be built at the junction for enabling safe transit of commuters. Since no significant progress has been made on the ground, the MP has demanded that the BMRCL and BBMP together complete the skywalk at one of the city's busiest junctions.

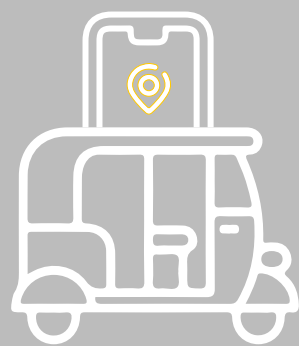
FULL-TIME MD FOR BMRCL, K-RIDE

Surya has been constantly urging the Government of Karnataka to fill up the vacant positions in the senior management of BMRCL, K-RIDE and appoint technocrats as the full-time MDs for the two organisations.



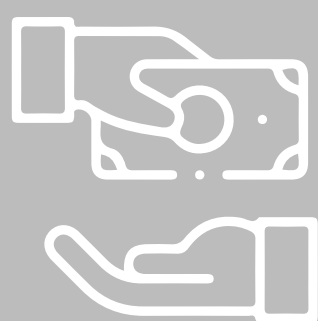
DEFINING RULES FOR CARPOOLING

With traffic snarls continuing to be a menace for commuters, Surya suggested that the Government of Karnataka define rules for carpooling. Ride-sharing and carpooling are immediate and suitable remedies to ease the mobility crisis to a certain extent, he said, adding that it is specially suitable for IT employees travelling to the same IT Park or area and heading back home to the same locality after finishing work. He requested the Government of Karnataka to regulate carpooling, saying Karnataka Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989, is insufficient to meet the needs of the present day.



MEASURES TO IMPROVE LIVELIHOOD OF AUTO DRIVERS

The income of auto and cab drivers using various aggregator platforms is not fully realised due to commissions charged by aggregators ranging from 15-20%. Surya requested that the Government of Karnataka conduct a comprehensive review of the commission structures in place and assess the feasibility of increasing the percentage of fees allocated to drivers.



COMPENSATION TO MARTYRS' FAMILIES

Surya requested the Government of Karnataka to provide a compensation of Rs 50 lakh to the family of Captain MV Pranjal, a soldier serving in the 63 Rashtriya Rifles who lost his life during an anti-terror operation in Jammu and Kashmir on November 22. When it came to the MP's notice that the Government of Karnataka had not reached out to Capt Pranjal's family even after 10 days of announcing the ex-gratia compensation, Surya intervened and demanded that the CM immediately release the compensation amount to the family. The family of Late Capt Pranjal then received the compensation in 2 days.



FUNCTIONING OF K-RIDE

For over a year, the K-RIDE's efficiency has been affected due to the lack of a full-time MD, GM (HR), GM (Finance) and other such senior level vacancies. The pace of work in C2 is also poor with only 16% physical work and 15% financial work completed by Dec 2023. Surya requested the Government to look into the functioning of the K-RIDE and explore immediate solutions to address their problems, including the conceptualisation of such a Joint Venture for executing an important project like the Bengaluru Suburban Railway.



ONE NATION, ONE ELECTION

A lot of the taxpayers' money goes in conducting Elections. The country also seems to always be in election mode with one election happening somewhere in the country every 6 months.

The 'One Nation, One Election' call by Prime Minister Sri Narendra Modi Ji will help in reducing the expenditure for holding elections. It will also help political parties focus on devising their strategies for one particular period and bring down their expenses by a large fraction.

Surya requested the Government to bring about a plan to implement the 'One Nation, One Election' concept and reform the electoral process.



PROHIBITION OF BIKE TAXIS IN BENGALURU

Several bike taxis have been operating in Bengaluru without necessary licences or permits. There are several aggregator apps which are continuing to offer bike taxi rides even though the Government has not permitted or given such aggregators the licence. Surya requested the Government of Karnataka to take action on such apps and prohibit the operation of bike taxis in the city.



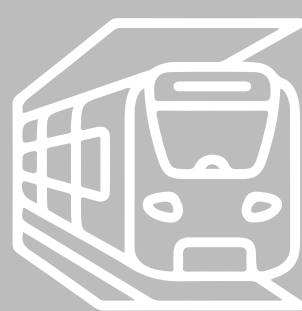
FOOT-OVER-BRIDGE AT KUDLU GATE METRO STATION

Residents and employees of the Krishna Reddy Industrial Area in Kudlu face inconvenience while crossing the road due to the absence of a foot-over-bridge at the Kudlu Gate Metro Station. An existing staircase connecting the metro station to an underpass is not well maintained. The MP requested for an FoB to be constructed at the Metro Station for the benefit of commuters.



REGULATING THE ONLINE SALE OF JAN AUSHADHI MEDICINES

Surya noticed that certain online platforms and several PMBJK owners were selling the generic medicines available only in Jan Aushadhi Kendras through online platforms without any licence or permit. He requested the Government to crack down on such illegal platforms and release guidelines on the sale and purchase of Jan Aushadhi medicines through online stores.



EXTENDING MEMU SERVICES FROM DEVANAHALLI TO CHIKKABALLAPURA

Ridership on the MEMU service from KSR Bengaluru to Devanahalli is low primarily due to issues with reliability, punctuality, routing and frequency.

Surya urged the SWR to extend the MEMUs to Chikkaballapura and in December, the services were extended. This extension offers a valuable commuting option for thousands of farmers, students and others who currently rely solely on road transportation.



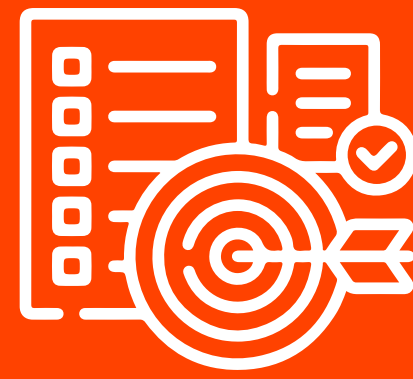
VISA SUPPORT FOR METRO ENGINEERS

The BMRCL, the SPV executing the Bengaluru Metro project, has awarded a contract to CRRC Nanjing Puzhen Co Ltd to supply 216 metro coaches. Their domestic production partners Titagarh Rail Systems Ltd are manufacturing 75% of the coaches under the Make In India scheme.

Engineers from CRRC looking to visit Titagarh factory to assist in finalising the rolling for the metro were awaiting visa clearances. Surya urged External Affairs Minister Dr S Jaishankar to enable early visa processing for the visiting foreign delegates.

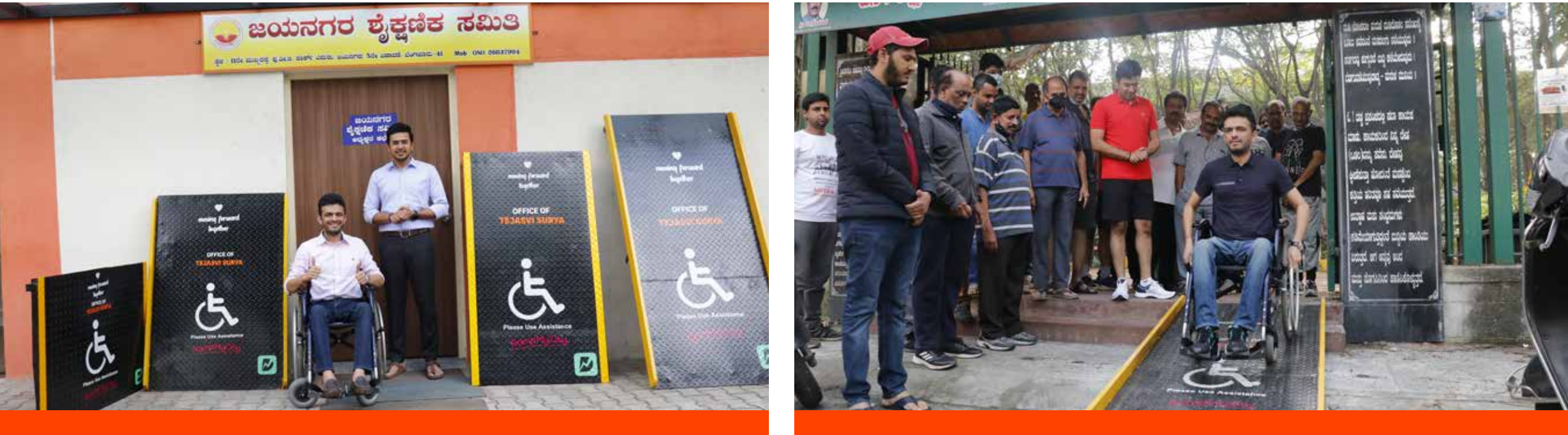
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OTHER ACCOMPLISHMENTS



CREATING ACCESSIBLE PUBLIC PLACES

The Honourable MP has taken several measures to make public places in Bengaluru South wheelchair-friendly. Wheelchair ramps were installed at more than 45 places in Bengaluru South in a collaborative effort with NGO RampMyCity committed to building an accessible India where no one is left behind.



AWARENESS ON PM SVANIDHI YOJANA

The Honourable MP interacted with vegetable vendors at the Madiwala vegetable market, and increased awareness about the PM SVANidhi Scheme. Following the visit, the MP successfully enrolled more hawkers and street vendors into the program and created awareness among the people who are in need of such schemes.



DISTRIBUTION OF PM SVANIDHI YOJANA CERTIFICATES

The Honourable MP distributed loan certificates to over 100 beneficiaries as part of the PM SVANidhi Yojana in Jayanagar Constituency. The Yojana aims to financially strengthen street vendors and provide them with opportunities, which the Honourable MP has been able to provide access to more than 30,000 beneficiaries across Bengaluru South Constituency in the past few years



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ANTYODAY - UPLIFTMENT OF BENGALURU's POOR



The PM’s focus on transforming Swaraj (self-governance) to Suraj (good governance) has benefitted almost every Bengalurean through the Central Government’s numerous empowering flagship schemes.

(All the numbers are relating to Bengaluru Urban District)

PM JAN DHAN
YOJANA

(Bengaluru Urban District)
(banking the unbanked poor population
by ensuring financial inclusion)
No of Accounts - **21.5 Lakh**

PM JAN AUSHADHI KENDRA

(Bengaluru South)
(affordable quality medicines)
No of Kendras - **114**
No of beneficiaries - **2 Lakh**
Annual Sales at Kendras - **₹42.7 Crore**

PM SURAKSHA
BIMA YOJANA

(Bengaluru Urban District)
(affordable accidental insurance)
No of enrollments - **27.2 Lakh**

PM EMPLOYMENT
GENERATION PROGRAMME

(Bengaluru Urban District)
(credit-linked subsidy for self-employed)
No of enrollments - **572**

PM AWAS YOJANA -
Housing for all

(Bengaluru Urban District)
(construction of houses to the urban poor)
No of houses grounded - **1.4 Lakh**
Central Assistance Sanctioned - **₹3,261 Crore**

PM MUDRA YOJANA

(Bengaluru Urban District)
(affordable credit to micro and small enterprises)
No of Accounts - **4.7 Lakh**

STAND UP INDIA

(Bengaluru Urban District)
(credit facility to women & SC/ST)
Loans sanctioned - **421**

PM SVANIDHI

(Bengaluru South)
(To facilitate working capital loan up to ₹10,000
without collateral)
No of loans disbursed - **44,279**
Amount disbursed to these accounts - **₹55 Crore**

PM UJJWALA (Bengaluru South)

LPG Connections released - **7,500**
No of people who have given up their LPG
subsidy - **69,000**
Amount saved by the Government in subsidy
from the citizens - **₹24.8 Crore**

UNORGANISED SECTOR

(Bengaluru Urban District)
(schemes for labourers)
No of E-Shram Cards - **3.6 Lakh**
No of People enrolled under PM Shram
Yogi Maan-Dhan Yojana - **3,01,868**

AYUSHMAN BHARAT PM JAN AROGYA YOJANA

(Bengaluru South)
(health insurance scheme for healthcare protection)
Number of free treatments - **1.5 Lakh**
Cost of the treatment to the government - **₹431 Crore**
Ayushman Bharat Health Account cards - **1.8 Lakh**

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**PARLIAMENTARY
PERFORMANCE**





Attendance in the parliament

MP Tejasvi Surya:
77 %

State Average:
71 %

National Average:
79 %



No. of Debates participated

MP Tejasvi Surya:
34

State Average:
15.4

National Average:
45.1



No. of Questions raised

MP Tejasvi Surya:
375

State Average:
205

National Average:
204

BEST DEBUTANT PARLIAMENTARIAN OF THE YEAR AWARD

In recognition of the Honourable MP's political sharpness and maturity in Parliament, Lokmat Group conferred the 'Best Debutant Parliamentarian of the Year' Award in March 2023. The Honourable MP has raised voice in matters of national and public importance in 34 debates of the Parliament and has raised 375 questions on the floor of the house since the inception of 17th Lok Sabha, covering every ministry and most issues of national and international importance.



KEY SPEECHES

DISCUSSION ON THE UNION BUDGET 2023-2024

The Honourable MP addressed the parliament on February 10, highlighting the noteworthy contributions of PM Shri Narendra Modi Ji Government to Karnataka in this year's budget and in the budget over the past nine years. The MP emphasised the impact of these allocations on the development of Karnataka, showcasing remarkable progress during the last nine years at a pace which was not achieved in the previous 70 years.

DISCUSSION REGARDING THE SUCCESS OF CHANDRAYAAN-3 MISSION AND OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS OF OUR NATION IN THE SPACE SECTOR

The Honourable MP on September 29 highlighted the significance of the naming of Chandrayaan 3 impact points as Tiranga and Shivshakti in the parliament. The speech also commended PM Shri Narendra Modi Ji's #9YearsOfSeva, noting advancements in space and technology, including a 142% increase in funding for ISRO and improvements in scientific institutions like CSIR and IISc, as well as leveraging technology for last-mile services.

DISCUSSION ON THE NEW CRIMINAL LAWS

The Honourable MP addressed the Parliament on December 20 highlighting PM Shri Narendra Modi-led Government's reforms in criminal law that include Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita and Bharatiya Sakshya Adhiniyam, marking a significant departure from colonial mindset after 160 years. Prioritising citizens' interests over the State's, these reforms focus on Swadeshi legislation with stringent penalties for crimes against women, children and anti-social elements. Addressing historical injustices, these laws establish a citizen-centric criminal justice system - Made by Bharat, Made in Bharat, Made by Bharatiyas and for the Welfare of Bharatiyas.

KEY QUESTIONS

PROJECTS UNDER SMART CITIES MISSION (SCM)

The Honourable MP requested details on the Smart Cities Mission in Karnataka from the Minister of Housing and Urban Affairs. In Karnataka, seven cities, including Bengaluru, have been selected for development. Bengaluru Smart City Limited, a 50:50 SPV of the State Government and BBMP, is implementing the Smart Cities Mission in Bengaluru. Out of the 48 projects worth Rs 1,034 crores, 44 projects have been completed in Bengaluru.



FINANCIAL LITERACY IN SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES

The Honourable MP requested the Minister of Education to provide details on the steps taken by the government with regard to financial literacy and cyber security education in schools and colleges. The Minister responded that the National Education Policy (NEP), 2020, underscores the significance of financial literacy, integrated into curricula with a focus on economics and business studies. CBSE offers 'Financial Literacy' as a Skill Module in classes VI-VIII. Further, 13,083 Class X students from 302 schools and 5,340 Class XII students from 244 schools opted for the study of Financial Markets in CBSE.

IMPROVEMENT IN INDIA'S GENDER RATIO

The Honourable MP requested the Minister of Women and Child Development to provide insights into the factors driving the improved sex ratio in India. The recent National Family Health Survey (NFHS) data indicates a significant improvement in India's sex ratio, climbing from 991 in NFHS-4 (2015-16) to a noteworthy 1020 in 2019-21. Notably, rural areas exhibit a healthier sex ratio (1,037 females per 1,000 males) compared to urban areas (985 females per 1,000 males). This improvement is attributed to various government initiatives, legal frameworks and impactful schemes such as Beti Bachao Beti Padhao and Sukanya Samriddhi Yojana.

INCREASE IN INCOME TAX RETURNS FILING

The Honourable MP sought information on the state-wise increase in income tax returns filed over the last 4 years. Karnataka noted a 11.5% increase and a 99% increase in persons whose IT returns amounted to zero tax liability. This increase can be attributed to nationwide steps taken by the government such as expanding the scope of tax deducted at source/tax collected at source, simplification of personal income tax, pre-filing of income tax returns and non-filer monitoring system and following up with non-filers.

LEGAL REFORMS FOR ACCESS TO JUSTICE

The Honourable MP requested the Government to highlight the legal reforms implemented in the last nine years to improve access to justice and the measures taken to streamline the judicial system. Major programs that were initiated by the ministry which are Tele-Law which mainstreams legal aid at grassroots through technology, Nyaya Bandhu promoting pro bono legal service and these programs are formulated into a comprehensive, pan-India scheme titled DISHA. Moreover, the government has initiated the e-Courts Mission Mode Project to facilitate faster disposal of cases and repealed 1486 redundant laws since 2014.



HAR GHAR JAL YOJANA

The Honourable MP sought information on the district-wise implementation of the Har Ghar Jal Yojana from the Ministry of Jal Shakti. Across Karnataka, 47.4 lakh rural households gained access to safe potable water with this program and in Bengaluru 1.2 lakh new households have received tap water and drinking water connection over the last 4 years under the nationally launched Jal Jeevan Mission in partnership with Karnataka state government.

SPORTS INFRASTRUCTURE AND YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

The Honourable MP requested details from the Minister of Youth Affairs and Sports regarding the Ministry's budgeting trends, allocations of their funds and development of sporting infrastructure. The ministry's budget for the fiscal year 2023 - 2024 was Rs 2,462 crore and has witnessed a steady increase in budget over the last 9 years. The ministry has sanctioned 341 sports infrastructure projects across the nation.

BHARAT NET PROJECT

The Honourable MP requested an update on the progress of the Bharat Net Project, its state wise distribution of budget and estimated timeline on completion of ongoing projects for increased rural connectivity from the Minister of Communications. Under Bharat Net Project, Rs 40,000 crore has been utilised to give 2,00,000 gram panchayats broadband and fibre net connectivity in line with best practices in industry standards. Moreover the Ministry of communications has undertaken various improvements to the Bharat Net Project such as upgradation of existing Bharat-Net network, operation and maintenance of the entire network through professional agencies, expanding scope to connect all inhabited villages and to provide 1.5 crore home fibre connections.

TOLL COLLECTION ON HIGHWAYS

The Honourable MP sought information on the impact of FASTag implementation on toll fee collection and methods to improve its efficiency from the Minister of Road Transport and Highways. Since FASTag's implementation, fee plaza compliance of toll collection has improved. A total of Rs 48,028 crore in toll fee was collected during 2022-2023, 97.6% of which was through FASTag. The largest sum collected is from heavy commercial vehicles.





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INSIGHTS FROM BENEFICIARIES



I am presently a student in the 10th standard at Sree Sai Public School in Bommanahalli. The NaMo Vidyanidhi scholarship has proven to be a lifeline for me and many other underprivileged students who struggle with the burden of school fees. As an anaemic patient raised by a single parent, this financial assistance has been an immense source of support. I wish to express my heartfelt gratitude to MP Tejasvi Surya for making this scholarship accessible and offering me the chance to continue my education. Thank you, sir.

SANGAM
(Student Beneficiary, NaMo Vidyanidhi)



I am currently a student at Little Angel's School and my father works as a receptionist at a hospital. The NaMo Vidyanidhi scholarship provided by MP sir has played an important role in supporting my aspiration to become a police officer and contribute to the community. I extend my sincere gratitude to MP Tejasvi Surya for starting this initiative and supporting students like me. Thank you very much sir.



PAWAN
(Student Beneficiary, NaMo Vidyanidhi)

I am a security guard and my husband experiences fits and has to take 3 different types of medicines every day. It costs me Rs. 2,000 monthly. Additionally, due to joint pain and calcium deficiency, I cannot walk properly and I have to take medication for the same. Even if he skips 1 dosage a day, he will need to be rushed to the government hospital. For the last 4 months, I have been picking up medicines from the MP's office for free. Especially when my husband is suffering from pain at 1 am, I can't count on pharmacies, but picking up medicines from the MP's office every month helps my family a lot! Thank you for this life-saving initiative.

(Beneficiary's wife, NaMo Arogya Nidhi)



I reside in Kathriguppe, Banashankari. My daughter is suffering from a disease that impairs her walking ability unless she takes the medicines that MP sir is giving us. I am a tailor and for the last 2 months, the Honourable MP has given us free medicines which has reduced the financial burden on me. This program has helped me and my family a lot and I can pay for my daughter's education, her healthcare and my house rent without taking any loans even though my business is suffering right now.



K SURESH
(Beneficiary's father, NaMo Arogya Nidhi)

I am a teacher in Anekal and I took a home loan under PM Awas Yojana from a bank in Sarakki. Now living in my dream house, I am proud to be a homeowner. I am extremely happy that I was finally able to buy my home at the time of my transfer and can live there with my family in my own home.

GAYATRI
(Beneficiary, Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana)



I used to suffer a lot when I used to go to a private hospital for dialysis treatment, unable to bear the financial costs. However, this current free dialysis centre helps us a lot and we thank god every day for this blessing. I have been getting dialysis done for over 10 years, and we were poverty-ridden due to the excessive costs. The monthly blood tests, injections, dialysis and other medical costs were extremely expensive, but with free dialysis and free medicines provided by the Honourable MP, we can now afford the other medical costs more comfortably.



(Beneficiary, NaMo Dialysis Centre)

I sell sugarcane juice and fruits and used to take loans from private banks earlier where I paid very high interest (15%) but for the last 3 years, under the PM SVANidhi loan programme, I pay very low-interest rates, without any collateral. When I paid back the Rs. 10,000 loan in the first year, I received Rs. 20,000 the next year and upon repaying that, I received a loan of Rs. 50,000. I can support my family much better because of Prime Minister Modi Ji's scheme.

STREET VENDOR
(Beneficiary, PM SVANidhi Scheme)



I acquired an LPG gas connection through the Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala scheme. This initiative not only granted me a free LPG cylinder but also included the stove set and regulator. The scheme has significantly made household work easy for me. I would like to express my gratitude to PM Shri Narendra Modi Ji for implementing and providing me with this beneficial scheme and smoke-free life in the kitchen.



(Beneficiary, Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana)

I am a fruit vendor with my shop in Banashankari. I have high blood pressure and for my medication, I discovered that a single tablet costs Rs 35 at a regular pharmacy. However, at Pradhan Mantri Jan Aushadhi Kendra in Sarakki, I purchased the same generic medicine at an affordable price. I presented it to the doctor at Jayadeva Hospital who found no difference and allowed me to continue taking the medicine. Over the past 5 years, I have been procuring medicines from Jan Aushadhi Kendra and have had no problems. While a single tablet costs Rs 35 in a private pharmacy, I can obtain 10 tablets for roughly Rs 14 at a Jan Aushadhi Kendra. This initiative by PM Modi Ji is proving to be immensely beneficial for the underprivileged to access quality medicines and reduce our healthcare expenditure.

KHADER KHAN
(Beneficiary, Janaushadhi Kendra)



I enrolled into both these insurance schemes five years ago and I've been paying a premium of Rs. 20 and Rs. 436 every year. With these schemes, I have been insured for an accidental cover up to 2 lakhs and a life cover of 2 lakhs. It has been a huge relief for me and I am grateful to PM Modi Ji for enabling people from economically weak backgrounds to gain access to insurance schemes.



**(Beneficiary,
PM Suraksha Bima Yojana & PM Jeevan Jyothi Bima Yojana)**

I received a loan worth Rs 3,00,000 through Mudra Yojana which has helped me in my business. I have also helped two of my friends in their Mudra loan applications. Canara Bank played a significant role in facilitating the loan process. I have also helped over 120 individuals receive benefits from the PM Svanidhi Scheme. The BBMP officials played a crucial role in this. We express our gratitude to PM Shri Modi Ji for initiating this program which is helping the underprivileged.

NAGARATHNA
(Beneficiary, Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana)



I enrolled my daughter in Sukanya Samriddhi Yojana and through this insurance scheme, we have received a substantial amount as interest. My daughter has been a beneficiary of the NaMo Vidyanidhi Scholarship provided by MP Tejasvi Surya. I want to extend my sincere thanks to the MP for championing these initiatives. Both schemes have played a major role in empowering women by providing them with access to education and ensuring financial security.



RADHIKA
(Beneficiary's mother, Sukanya Samriddhi Yojana)

TEJASVI SURYA

