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MESSAGE FROM FOUNDER

First, let me wish you all a **Happy New Year**. Hope that you can achieve all your dreams and resolutions in 2023. At BNP, we renew our commitment to work towards our common dream of making Bengaluru a model city.

In this edition, we have profiled some key BNP leaders, while others will be featured in turn every month. The spotlight is on Srinivasa Reddy, Poongothai, Vishnu Reddy and Rupal Ralph, all of whom have been working ceaselessly to solve civic issues and improve their respective wards, by engaging meaningfully with citizens and BBMP officials. The BNP is proud of their efforts and supports them in all their endeavours!

Bengaluru's traffic woes are legendary. The **passing of the BMLTA Bill** is a very important first step towards resolving this long-standing problem. BMLTA will henceforth be the Nodal Authority to coordinate various aspects of Bengaluru's transportation, including the Metro, BMTC, Cabs and Suburban Rail. We're glad that we played a part in urging the Government of Karnataka to pass this crucial legislation.

The wide range of ground-level, community-oriented activities conducted by the BNP across various wards clearly indicates that the party is synonymous not just with Bengaluru but also with good grassroots governance. This is the way I believe 'Brand BNP' should evolve. Do share your ideas on what 'Brand BNP' means and offer suggestions on how the BNP can be further integrated with 'Brand Bengaluru' and Good Grassroots Governance. You can **email me at srikanth.narasimhan1975@gmail.com** I look forward to hearing your thoughts.

Warm Regards,

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CITIZENS TURN CIVIC CHAMPIONS

The BNP team in HBR Layout have championed some civic causes with resounding success. During Ward meetings, the BNP team had urged that Storm Water Drain (SWD) issues be resolved. However, the SWD officials never attended the meetings, despite instructions from multiple nodal officers. Every time the dredger was employed, the dredged-up silt would be left uncleared and waste continued to be dumped back into the drains. The BNP team highlighted this deplorable situation in the *Bangalore Mirror*, prompting the SWD officials to arrange for clearing up the accumulated silt! HBR residents are monitoring this ongoing process and have also requested a review meeting.

The BNP team also cleared a major encroachment in their area. A huge building opposite the BDA complex was encroaching the footpath for the past 3-4 years. With Karnataka Power Transmission Corporation Limited (KPTCL) digging up the road, pedestrians were at risk trying to avoid vehicles as they skirted the encroachment and the trenches. The BNP team reported this danger to the *Bangalore Mirror*. Immediately thereafter, the sheets blocking the sidewalk were removed, the BBMP began re-laying the encroached footpath and the drains alongside were desilted!

Congratulations to the BNP team comprising Vikram Mailar Vijay, Madan Prasad, Ramesh Narayanswamy, George KX, Prabhakaran C, Satish T and Sasi Nair, for being effective agents of positive change. Much appreciation to the *Bangalore Mirror* for highlighting pressing public issues.

'Vote4Bengaluru' CENTURY

Vote4Bengaluru, the BNP's Voter ID drive, reached a proud milestone in December 2022 by completing the **100th Voter ID camp** since this initiative began. This milestone camp was held at Salarpuria Sanctity apartments in Doddakanahalli. Around 50 residents attended and over 31 voter registrations were conducted at this particular camp. This was one of several other camps conducted this month. Snapshots from this and other camps held in Dec 2022 feature in the BNP's Regular On-the-Ground Work Section below



TURNING THE SPOTLIGHT ON BNP

Since its inception, 'BNP' has steadily become associated with activities focused on rebuilding Bengaluru through honest, active participation in grassroots governance. As the party's electoral campaign shifted into top gear this month, there has been a conscious shift to promote **Brand BNP**. Brand promotion has taken several forms.

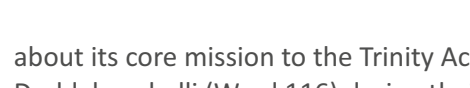
Autos and buses plying in Mahadevapura zone are now projecting the BNP's **Mission Mahadevapura** message and inviting residents to join in the collective effort to rebuild their Zone.

BNP flyers have begun to be circulated. By hand, during citizen interactions and as newspaper inserts, in communities.

While regular informational posters and banners have been put up in apartments, the BNP brand is also being showcased on some digital notice boards maintained by residential complexes and institutions.

BNP also took the opportunity to introduce itself and speak about its core mission to the Trinity Acres and Woods community in Doddakanahalli (Ward 116) during their Christmas celebrations on December 17th, 2022. BNP leader B.V. Lalithamba briefed over 35 residents about the party and distributed pamphlets at the event. A big thank you to the Trinity community for the chance to present the BNP and its mission.

If you are interested in projecting the BNP brand in your community, please call **080-47190000** or email **info@nammabnp.org**

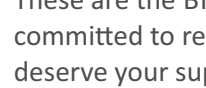


Starting with this edition, this Section will introduce the BNP leaders from various wards every month. These are the BNP Leaders who have spearheaded various party initiatives and campaigns. Wholly committed to rebuilding Bengaluru through good grassroots governance, they are worthy of your trust and deserve your support. A vote for them is a vote for Bengaluru!

Know Your Leaders

We start off with four Leaders...

Srinivasa Reddy (BNP Leader, Whitefield, Ward No 110)



Srinivasa Reddy sees that the current political setup has not generated the desired results. He believes that what citizens could achieve as a civic group can be multiplied manifold by getting into grassroots governance. He assures the citizens of Bengaluru that the BNP and he can find lasting solutions to the city's problems. Srinivasa lists tree plantation, revival of an abandoned school and working at transformation of 'black spots' (garbage dump patches caused due to inefficient collection), as some of his achievements at the ward-level. The top projects that he would like to implement as a Corporator are durable roads with effective drains, automated street lights and sustainable waste management.

Poongothai (BNP Leader, Gottigere, Ward No. 225)



Poongothai's priority is to empower citizens in ward governance. She would ensure transparency & accountability in all sustainable projects approved by the Area Sabha & Ward Committee. Civic issues would be addressed in the Ward Committee and Poongothai pledges to work closely with officials to fix problems. Earlier, Poongothai has worked to create awareness about proper waste segregation and disposal. She also organised cleaning drives, health check up camps, Voter ID & Aadhaar ID camps. As Corporator, Poongothai would promote ward cleanliness through proper garbage disposal and home/community composting; fix potholes & broken footpaths; and achieve regular supply of drinking water.

Vishnu Reddy (BNP Leader, Doddakanahalli, Ward No. 116)



For Vishnu Reddy, being proactive is a core value. He intends to infuse that proactiveness into local governance and set up a vibrant system in which residents and officials work hand-in-hand to solve ward issues. According to Vishnu, areas that need urgent attention are transparency in spending, pro-active governance and implementation of citizen-centric projects. As a Corporator, Vishnu would give priority to creating a dashboard of approved projects, a working ticketing system and ensuring that Area Sabha meetings effectively debate and resolve public issues.

Rupal Ralph (Leader, Doddakanahalli, Ward No 116)



Rupal Ralph is a long-term resident of Doddakanahalli. She has lived there for 14 years and been an active community service volunteer and civic champion for the past 7 years. She is a Member of *Kasa Mukta Bellandur*, which works to improve solid waste management systems in the ward. A familiar face at Ward Meetings, she has raised several important issues, including plastic ban enforcement and effective solid waste management (SWM). If she has the opportunity to serve as Corporator, she would push for pothole-free roads, unobstructed footpaths and a better waste management system.

BNP's Regular On-the-Ground Work

NAMMA SAMITI

The BNP's **Namma Samiti** meetings in wards continued in Ward too, with members and supporters attending ward meetings in Wards 117 (CV Raman Nagar), 188 (Bilekahalli), 195 (Konanakunte), 194 (Gottigere), 115 (Bellandur), Hennur (94) & Kacharakannahalli (98) and 174 (HSR Layout).

These are the forums where citizens can meet the authorities in charge of the actual action at the Ward level, put forth civic issues in their wards, request resolution and follow up on action promised by officials. Ideally the Ward Committee meetings are scheduled for 1st and 3rd Saturdays of every month. However, this does not always happen. Meetings are not held in some wards or meetings are held on weekdays, with very short notice.



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WARD 188

WARD 195

WARD 194

WARD 115

WARD 94 & 98

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If you would like to attend Ward Committee Meetings in your area and take part as a citizen in good grassroots governance, call **080-47190000** or email **info@nammabnp.org**

VOTE4BENGALURU

Crossing the '100 Voter ID Camps' mark this month, BNP continued its initiative of easing the process of getting a Voter ID by taking the process of registration to the doorsteps of different societies. These camps help eligible citizens register as voters (many of whom will be first time voters), also helping with the 'how to' of shifting the constituency from elsewhere to Bengaluru.

This month, other than the 100th camp that was conducted at Salarpuria Sanctity apartments in Doddakanahalli, camps were conducted in Bellandur, Brookefield, Doddanekkundi, HSR Layout, Horamavu, Kasavanahalli and Whitefield.

If you stay in a layout or apartment complex and want to arrange a voter registration camp OR are a New Voter seeking to register, simply give a missed call to BNP on **080-47190000** or send an email to **voters@nammabnp.org**



Important Civic News in Bengaluru

ASSEMBLY PASSES BMLTA BILL

The BNP welcomes the passing of the **BMLTA Bill** by the Karnataka Assembly on December 27th 2022, which has been a long standing demand. To encourage a holistic and integrated approach to the transport system, the BNP has been supporting the BMLTA bill for at least two years now. Keenly aware of the need for a single authority to plan, oversee and coordinate the activities of various other agencies, the BNP had launched an **online petition campaign** #BMLTABeku# urging the Chief Minister of Karnataka to table the BMLTA Bill in the legislative session in February 2022. This BNP-led petition has garnered 2437 signatures.

Much depends upon effective implementation but, the BMLTA Bill is certainly a first step towards addressing Bengaluru's traffic woes. The passing of this much-awaited bill is a significant victory for all the citizens, residents and party supporters who joined the BNP in this campaign. It shows that the strong, collective voice of concerned citizens can achieve positive results. This victory will encourage the BNP to initiate more public interest petitions in future. Thank you all for your invaluable support!

EXTENDED DEADLINE FOR BBMP POLLS

The deadline for the long-awaited BBMP polls has receded still further and the Karnataka Government is heaving a big sigh of relief. On December 15th, 2022, the Supreme Court allowed time until March 31st, 2023 for the State Government to constitute a dedicated Commission, collect empirical data and finalize the OBC reservations as a prelude to conducting the BBMP polls. This effectively means that the BBMP polls can only be conducted in May 2023 around the time when the Assembly polls are due. Read more in a *Times of India* report [HERE](#)

All eyes are on the State Government to see if this extended deadline would be met, so that the BBMP elections can proceed without any further delay. It may be recalled that these elections were due to be held in early 2020. Governance in Bengaluru has suffered in so many ways since the city has been functioning without an elected Corporation Council for over 2 years now.

That's it for now! Look out for more such newsletters every month!

Thank you once again for your unwavering support which is helping BNP to go from strength to strength!

Not yet a member of the BNP? Click [HERE](#) to volunteer and join hands with the BNP – India's first and only city party!

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