

While going through the AMASR Act 2010 and the restrictions imposed on construction activity in prohibited area/regulated area, people may think that all are unauthorised constructions violating the rules. **But the facts are contrary. People of Sembakkam(prohibited area) and people of Pallavaram of Tamil Nadu have constructed homes on approved lay outs only duly getting approval for constructions from the competent authority.** Now we have to suffer on account of inclusion of Sites and Remains in the Act 2010 by inserting a new section 20B with retrospective effect from 16.6.1992 in the AMASR Act 2010 ! ! **AMASR ordinance promulgated by the Honourable president of India on 23.1.2010 prior to passing of the Act in March 2010 also does NOT speak of placing restriction near Sites and Remains (page 3 20 B (i)) but incorporated in the Act after 2 months in the Act- It is an afterthought !** How ? . Notification SO 1764 of 16.6.92 issued by Dept of culture in 1992 which forms the basis for this Act in which restrictions were imposed on construction/ quarrying near Monuments only. **Sites and Remains were NOT included.** No regulating bodies such as CMDA, DTCP and one collectorate was aware of the Notification of 1992 till 2010 as is evident from the RTI queries. Hence approval given for construction in Pallavaram and Sembakkam is technically correct as these sites have been declared as sites and remains and not as a Monument. The act provides that repair to houses constructed prior to 16.6.92 without approval from ASI or constructed after 16.6.92 but with the approval of ASI could be repaired but construction of any sort is totally banned in prohibited area. *The irony is that there was no need to approach ASI for approval as the provision of Notification of 1992 was NOT applicable to Sites and remains from 1992 to 2010.* **An 'legal' act which was done as per law in 1992 now has become illegal because AMASR Act 2010 gives retrospective effect from 1992 Is it correct ? Now People in Prohibited are cannot extend their house or sell our house. If the house in prohibited area collapse due to natural forces, we CANNOT re build our house as construction of any sort is totally barred. We will be left in the street ! . We will be homeless! Those owning vacant land cannot build in prohibited area.** Does this Act want to accomplish it ? Is it our fault ? Would the Govt look into this serious issue ? We are harassed for no fault of ours . A technical blunder – Giving retrospective effect from 1992 - committed by ASI has led to this situation. The Act does not differentiate the significance attached to monuments/sites and treats all structures alike.

The act has been passed without considering the hardships to the people of this country. Think of a situation wherein I buy a land and construct a house. After sometime ASI says that this site contains megalithic remains and hence construction is illegal ! Then nobody can construct a house and live peacefully if retrospective effect is given as in our case. In Sembakkam the protected site is survey No 157 Nanmangalam reserved forest where no construction is allowed. A surprising fact is that the even Forest Dept does not know that it is a protected site stated to contain megalithic cists and cairns ! It is also not aware of any visit by ASI into forest. We don't know whether such remains are still present in the forest. ASI has not come out so far with proper response. Something wrong with ASI! I don't understand how our Parliament passed this ACT without considering the welfare of the people .Should we suffer for the worst fault of ASI?

For the kind attention of M.D, St Joseph's college of Engineering

Respected Sir,

Four first year students B.Danie(CSC), Sriram (ECE), Puviarasan (Mech) of college of Engineering and Ajay(EEE) of institute were seen with playing cards in the college bus on 13.8.13 and we were advised to meet Sri Tamilmani and Dr. Vallinayagam on 16.8.13. We met them and we were informed that the students are debarred from boarding college bus for a week from 16.8.13 . They will be allowed to board the bus only after your permission and they have to present the MTC bus ticket to Mr. Tamilmani every day. They did so. We had already instructed the boys to be very careful as the college is known for its strict discipline. Despite instructions to contrary, the boys behaved. We apologies for their behaviour. We have no doubt that they deserve the punishment given. We asked the boys to meet Dr. Vallinayagam or Mr. Tamilmani but they could not meet them.

I request M.D on behalf of my son and others to condone and permit them to board the bus from 29.8.13

Thanking you

, Announcement on unauthorised colonies meant to woo voters: BJP

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New Delhi: Delhi BJP on Friday alleged that the city government's announcement that 900 unauthorised colonies would be regularised at one go was aimed at wooing voters ahead of the 2013 Assembly elections.

Accusing Chief Minister Sheila Dikshit of cheating the people, Delhi BJP chief Vijender Gupta said, "In view of the forthcoming elections, Delhi government has again started making promises to residents of unauthorised colonies.

"Though the chief minister has announced that 917 colonies shall be regularised at once and all the legal and documentary formalities have been completed, it is beyond the powers of the Delhi government and the Central government to regularise unauthorised colonies," he said.

Gupta claimed that these colonies cannot be regularised till the Central Government makes amendments in the Forest Act, Ridge Management Board Rules, AMASR Act in addition to permission from the Delhi High Court.

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Our Recommendation

IAS officer Durga Shakti Nagpal never demolished

From

Chennai-73

M.Britto

Dated 29.8.13

Plot No 80, Fourth cross st

Samraj Nagar, Sembakkam

Chennai -73

To

Assistant Engineer,

TNEB, Sembakkam,

Chennai-73

Sir,

I am bringing forth two issues for your attention please.

1. The gap between two main supply lines in front of my residence is very narrow and as a result of which heavy sparks are common sight due to swinging of lines and consequent friction between the two lines. I request you to arrange for re aligning the line/ increasing the gap with a separator so as to avoid any loss of life. (Service No 273-108-203 in the name of P.K Karpagam)
2. There is a vacant plot opposite to Plot No 94 and adjacent to my plot where creepers have grown on a tree and coiled around one of the lines in EB post, pushing down the line which is likely to snap under strain and fall down unable to bear the weight of the vegetation. I have already spoken to you about the problem and also complaining to EB , Sembakkam from 25.8.13 onwards.

I request you to address the two issues at the earliest.

Yours Sincerely,

1. The gap between two main supply lines in front of plot No 80 and 95 in 4th cross st Samraj Nagar, Sembakkam, Chennai 73 is very narrow and as a result of which heavy sparks are common sight due to swinging of lines and consequent friction between the two lines. Whenever there is a spark, there is disturbance in the supply of power. We are afraid that it may lead to 440 volt and damage our equipment. We don't know when the line will snap and fall on the street endangering our life. Small children are also playing on the street in the evening. I also spoke to AE/ Rajakeelpakkam and met him personally and gave a written complaint on 29.8.13 in addition to removal of vegetation on the EB post and on supply line. He assured to rectify the issue and directed the staff to do the needful. Again on 31.8.13 I met your personnel regarding this issue and but nothing has been done so far for I request you to arrange for re aligning the line/ increasing the gap with a separator so as to avoid any loss of life
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Nipped in the bud !

Residents in and around the S. Perumal temple in Mamalapuram are shrewd , energetic and intelligent enough to foresee the consequences of AMASR Act 2010 and finally woke up. They succeeded with the help of elected reps. But one thing which went in favour of them is that the temple was NOT in the list of monuments of ASI (As per ASI website) unlike our Sembakkam and Pallavaram case. All the affected people should unit and fight under one umbrella for our case as we cannot suffer for the serious injustice meted out to the people by ASI . I also do not know how the Parliament passed the Act retrospectively from 1992 !