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PRESS RELEASE

(Demolition of fresh un-authorized Constructions/Alterations)

Since 1st August, the Enforcement Squad of the Chandigarh Housing Board has identified 41 fresh un-authorized Constructions/Alterations and on the site challans have been issued. These challans have been issued across to many sectors.

Today i.e. 10.08.2019, the Chandigarh Housing Board demolished fresh two un-authorized constructions in Dadu Majra Colony. Three days back, 14 structures were demolished in Sector-45. In remaining cases, most of the allottees have started removing the violations but in few cases the allottees have not stopped further constructions and their constructions will be demolished very shortly. It has been observed that in some cases, after getting challans the allottees accelerated the pace of constructions by engaging extra labour but finally could not save their houses and suffered considerable losses due to demolitions. CHB is computing cost of demolitions which will be recovered from the allottees and in case of its non-payment their allotment are liable to be cancelled.

To ensure effective actions against fresh illegal/un-authorized constructions, the CHB is adopting ZERO tolerance policy. Here following aspects are made clear:

1. On the spot challans are being issued by the Enforcement Squad with the direction to immediately stop further construction and remove the same. After issuance of challans, repeated inspections are carried out to see whether the further constructions have been stopped. Photographs of the fresh constructions are also being taken.
2. If further constructions are not stopped, then the demolition may be carried out immediately without waiting even for a single day.
3. If further constructions are stopped and the allottee start removing the violations, the CHB will wait for three days before taking up the demolition work.
4. Though required pre-cautions are taken during the demolition but there is possibility that adjoining structures may get damaged and the allottee will be responsible for such extra damage to own or adjoining units.
5. In case of demolitions by the CHB either immediately or after three days, all the cost of demolition will be recovered from the allottee.
6. The Enforcement Squad is making daily inspections in all the sectors to identify fresh violations/alternations and effective actions will be taken in each of such case.

The additional constructions permitted in Need Based Changes also cannot be started without submission of required documents and obtaining permission from the CHB. For this purpose a special counter No.4 has been provided at 'C' Block of the CHB office at Jan Marg, Sector-9D.

As informed earlier, a mechanism of information from the general public through whatsapp message/ telephone call has been provided on phone number: **6284646446**.

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