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AMC to buy machines to level manholes

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AHMEDABAD: The Ahmedabad Municipal Corporation (AMC) has decided to buy machines to level elevated manholes in the city. The issue was discussed by the standing committee, after officials told the members that more than 1.25 lakh manholes are above road level in the city. According to the officials, some of these elevated manholes are right in the middle of roads.

About the reasons for uneven levelling of manholes, officials told the panel that the lack of coordination between the drainage and the road departments leads to such defective work. "Sometimes, it is done deliberately, so as to make them more worker-friendly," the officials added.

Standing committee chairman Pravin Patel admitted that the lack of coordination between the drainage and road departments was leading to raised manholes. "We will give contracts to agencies in each zone to use heavy machines and level such manholes," said Patel. **Latest Comment**

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Raised manholes not only lead to accidents but are also not in accordance with road engineering norms. "We will now ensure that whenever drainage lines are laid or repaired, the manholes are at road level," he said.

One also finds such dangerous manholes in areas under the Ahmedabad Urban Development Authority (Auda).