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CCMC ward to get modern town planning

MARGAO: A one-of-its-kind road and core network system is proposed to be developed in ward number 10 named Careamoddi of the Curchorem Cacora Municipal Council (CCMC). CCMC chief officer Agnelo Fernandes said that funds amounting to 12 crore have already been sanctioned for the exercise that will be executed by the Goa state urban development agency (GSUDA).

Careamoddi is the home ward of legislator Nilesh Cabral who is representing Curchorem constituency.

Fernandes said that tenders will soon be invited by the GSUDA for the "beautification and upgradation of road and core network system" which is being developed as a pilot project for the town.

Speaking to TOI, Cabral said that the project envisages construction of elevated pathways and underground cabling, among other things. "It is being planned to develop the ward on the lines of a modern town with the provision of utility services like ducts for sewerage network etc. Once the project gets functional, it will be replicated in all other wards of Curchorem," Cabral said.

Besides, the GSUDA is also executing two more projects in

Curchorem - reconstruction of municipal market building after demolishing the existing one which is in a run-down condition, and reconstruction of the existing fish market.

Both the projects are awaiting the nod of the town and country planning (TCP) department, sources informed TOI.

Besides, the GSUDA is also taking up another construction project, which was initially proposed to house only the administrative block of the CCMC. The civic body had earlier proposed to construct a two-storey administrative block of the CCMC near the GSUDA market complex through the golden jubilee grants of 2 crore provided to it by the erstwhile Congress government and lying unutilized. But, the GSUDA has modified the plan which now envisages construction of a bigger project estimated to cost 10 crore.

"While the earlier proposal of the CCMC was to have a parking facility in the basement, shops on the ground floor and administrative offices on the first floor, the project is now modified by the GSUDA to provide more floors. The modified plan also includes construction of an amphitheatre and other public amenities," official sources said.