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Parking rate hiked in Hauz Khas

Users of the surface-level parking at Hauz Khas market   will have to shell out Rs.100 from Wednesday, with the South Delhi Municipal Corporation (SDMC) hiking the charges in the hope that the   multi-level facility at the market gets more takers.

The   multi-level lot, where the parking charge is Rs. 20 per hour, has been   under-utilised since it opened last year, as visitors to the market   prefer to park on the road.

"The multi-level parking   lot at E-Block market is not fully utilised. People park on the roads,   which leads to congestion as well," said SDMC Standing Committee   chairperson Radhey Shyam Sharma.

He was speaking at a   meeting of the Standing Committee on Tuesday, when the civic body also   decided to give 68 of its 146 parking sites to the Delhi Integrated   Multi-Modal Transit System (DIMTS) on a pilot basis. The 68 sites had   been

running free of charge as efforts to get contractors had failed.

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These   sites caused the SDMC a loss of Rs.50 crore in this financial year.   Commissioner Puneet Kumar Goel said the sites would be run by DIMTS for a   few months on a pilot basis, before the contract was given.