

## Mumbai: "Major Improvement Needed In BMC Corporators' Performance," Says Praja Foundation Report

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A survey by Praja Foundation, a Mumbai based NGO, which analyzes the performance of corporators has shown that only two of them received an A grade for the period 2017-2021 in the scoring system devised by the citizen watchdog. The municipal corporators are being categorised as top, average and underperformers.

This comes just a few months ahead of Brihanmumbai Municipal Corporation (BMC) polls which are scheduled for February 2022. The experts stated that the grading of corporators will help citizens understand the performance of their local public representatives in a better manner.

According to the report of Praja Foundation, 4 BJP, 3 Congress and 3 Shiv Sena corporators are in the top ten. Meanwhile, it has also revealed that nearly 90 per cent or 198 corporators in Mumbai have performed poorly in terms of addressing citizens' issues and raising their questions in civic meetings, according to a city-based NGO.

For the year 2017-2021, as per the report card, 198 councillors have received C, D, E and F grades in the overall performance. The remaining 22 have been included in the A and B categories.

The report also mentioned that as per the rankings, there was a need for a major improvement in the corporator's performance.

As per reports, BMC opposition leader and Congress corporator Ravi Raja rank first, followed by Shiv Sena corporator Samadhan Sarvankar and BJP corporator Harish Chheda (BJP). Meanwhile, it has come to light that the Shiv Sena, which has been in power for the last 25 years, has lagged behind in the performance of its corporators. Meanwhile, the three on the bottom of the list are Gulnaz Salim Qureshi (AIMIM), Sagar Singh (BJP) and Parmeshwar Kadam (Shiv Sena).

According to Praja Foundation standards, Ravi Raja scored 81.12 per cent, Samadhan Sarvankar 80.42 per cent and Harish Chheda 77.81 per cent.

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