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## **Waste water overflowing on public road, Pardi**

Waste water is overflowing from last 10-12 days in the fish market in Pardi. Local residents are troubled with the grime and muck. *Divya Bhaskar, December 24, 2014*

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/DGUJ-MAT-latest-pardi-news-045004-1069492-NOR.html>

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## **Additional grant of Rs. 5 lakh for drainage, Udhana**

Forty societies located in Udhana zone of Surat lack drainage facility. Additional grant of Rs. 5 lakh is provided for installing drainage line. *Divya Bhaskar, December 24, 2014*

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/DGUJ-SUR-MAT-latest-surat-news-041004-1068359-NOR.html>

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## **Hundred families of Jawaharnagar surrounded by waste water, Nadiad**

Waste water is overflowing in Jawaharnagar area of Nadiad from many days. The waste water has also entered few houses, troubling residents. The entire area is grimy and mucky and residents fear epidemic spread in the area. *Divya Bhaskar, December 24, 2014*

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/MGUJ-NAD-100-families-influenced-by-drain-overflow-4849813-PHO.html>

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## **New water supply pipeline to be installed in North Gujarat**

*Divya Bhaskar, December 24, 2014*

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/SAU-MAT-latest-una-news-050004-1069559-NOR.html>

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## **Water supply pipelines damaged due to haphazard underground drainage work, Rajula**

Water supply board has initiated underground drainage work in Rajula city. However, due to the haphazard drainage work, water supply pipelines are damaged at many places. *Divya Bhaskar, December 24, 2014*

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/SAU-MAT-latest-rajula-news-045505-1069451-NOR.html>

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## **Water crisis in Umiya chowk will soon be resolved, Unjha**

The municipality has constructed a new bore-well costing Rs. 20 lakh in Umiya mata chowk area of Unjha. This will resolve the water crisis in the area. *Divya Bhaskar, December 24, 2014*

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/UGUJ-MEH-water-crisis-will-be-solved-of-unjha-4849888-NOR.html>

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## **Citizens troubled with excavation work of underground drainage, Mehsana**

*Divya Bhaskar, December 24, 2014*

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/UGUJ-MEH-MAT-latest-mehsana-news-035502-1068237-NOR.html>

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### **Notice to 4 for unclean surroundings, Modasa**

Modasa municipality has initiated monitoring exercise as a part of cleanliness campaign in the city. The officials identified and penalized 2 traders, one resident and one temple trust for polluting the surroundings. *Divya Bhaskar, December 24, 2014*

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/UGUJ-MAT-latest-modasa-news-035502-1068295-NOR.html>

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### **Contaminated water supply in Jamnagar, pigeon remains found**

Due to carelessness on Kalavad municipality, there was contaminated water supply in the city. Pigeon remains were found. *Sandesh, December 24, 2014*

<http://www.sandesh.com/article.aspx?newsid=3024097>

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### **Gigantic cleanliness drive in Sabarkantha**

PALANPUR: Sabarkantha is all set to launch a gigantic Swachhta campaign on Tuesday with around six lakh expected to join hands in the effort. District collector Banchhanidhi Pani said, "It will be the largest mass campaign to fight filth and garbage and clean the houses, taluka and district. The drive will continue from 8 am to 5 pm and people all cross the district will take a pledge to keep their street, village and taluka clean." *Times of India, December 23, 2014*

<http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/rajkot/Gigantic-cleanliness-drive-in-Sabarkantha/articleshow/45611494.cms>

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*DNA, December 21, 2014*

[http://epaper.dnaindia.com/story.aspx?id=58255&boxid=4750&ed\\_date=2014-12-21&ed\\_code=1310005&ed\\_page=6](http://epaper.dnaindia.com/story.aspx?id=58255&boxid=4750&ed_date=2014-12-21&ed_code=1310005&ed_page=6)

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### **Riverfront loos await inauguration, Ahmedabad**

About 10 toilets are ready for the past six months. But these are lying locked, causing visitors much inconvenience. Basic facilities at the riverfront are still not accessible to the public even as parks and gardens have been opened to them. While drinking water facility is nowhere in sight, toilets await inauguration, forcing visitors to hold the bladder till they reach home. Even the work on lifts meant for use by the elderly and physically challenged is progressing at snail's pace, though the riverfront is said to be Prime Minister Narendra Modi's pet project. *Ahmedabad Mirror, December 23, 2014*

<http://epaperbeta.timesofindia.com/Article.aspx?eid=31819&articlexml=Riverfront-loos-await-inauguration-23122014004006>

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### **Trade house penalized for polluting surrounding, Surat**

The trade house located in Nanpura was penalized with Rs. 25000 for polluting the surroundings. The administrators were advised to keep the surroundings clean. *Divya Bhaskar, December 23, 2014*

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/DGUJ-SUR-MAT-latest-surat-news-045004-1062485-NOR.html>

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### **Water supply issues in Dashera tekri, residents infuriated, Navsari**

Residents of Dasher tekri area in ward no. 14 are troubled with water issues from last one year. The water does not reach the area and the municipality supplies water through tanker. *Divya Bhaskar, December 23, 2014*

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/DGUJ-NAV-MAT-latest-navsari-news-042005-1062518-NOR.html>

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### **Wastage of water in Gandhinagar, no monitoring**

Lot of water is wasted in peak winters in the Gandhinagar. There is no check on it. The government is spending a huge amount in purchasing water and there is no check on it. *Divya Bhaskar, December 23, 2014*

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/MGUJ-GAN-MAT-latest-gandhinagar-news-040505-1062315-NOR.html>

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### **Polluted water supply in Porbandar schools**

Due to lack of RO plants in majority of schools in Porbandar, the children have to consume contaminated water. This may affect their health. *Divya Bhaskar, December 23, 2014*

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/SAU-POR-bad-water-in-porbandar-school-latest-news-4848623-PHO.html>

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*Sandesh, December 23, 2014*

<http://www.sandesh.com/article.aspx?newsid=3023785>

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### **Garbage Heap, Ahmedabad**

There is a big heap of Garbage and green waste lying outside gate number B of our apartments. It has been lying unattended for several days now. The rotting waste gives untidy look to the area, not to mention putting the health of residents at risk. We request that the garbage be cleared at the earliest. *Ahmedabad Mirror, December 22, 2014*

[http://epaperbeta.timesofindia.com/Gallery.aspx?id=22\\_12\\_2014\\_011\\_007\\_002&type=P&artUrl=TROUBLE-SHOOTERS-22122014011007&eid=31819](http://epaperbeta.timesofindia.com/Gallery.aspx?id=22_12_2014_011_007_002&type=P&artUrl=TROUBLE-SHOOTERS-22122014011007&eid=31819)

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### **Sulabh toilet at Greenland cross road dirty and mucky, toilet sealed, Rajkot**

The operation and maintenance of the Sulabh public toilet located at Greenland cross road in Rajkot is done by a private agency. Due to lack of monitoring, the public toilet in is a pathetic condition. The waste water is overflowing on the road. *Divya Bhaskar, December 23, 2014*

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/SAU-RJK-MAT-latest-rajkot-news-042506-1062550-NOR.html>

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*Akila, December 22, 2014*

<http://www.akilanews.com/22122014/rajkot-news/1419244711-35667>

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### **Grimy and mucky surroundings at Tanki falia, Vapi**

As a part of Swachh Bharat Abhiyan, Vapi municipality initiated drainage work in the city. Gutter line was developed for houses and slum settlements of Tanki falia also for discharging the waste water. However, the gutter was kept open and due to lack of cleaning the surroundings became grimy and mucky. *Sandesh, December 22, 2014*

<http://www.sandesh.com/article.aspx?newsid=3023414>

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### **Heaps of construction waste on 80 feet road, citizens troubled, Rajkot**

*Akila, December 22, 2014*

<http://www.akilanews.com/22122014/rajkot-news/1419245912-35695>

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## **Thousand dustbins installed for throwing waste, Ahmedabad**

*Akila, December 22, 2014*

<http://www.akilanews.com/22122014/gujarat-news/1419256520-27550>

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## **Open loos defile Swachh Gujarat capital, Ahmedabad**

“There are about 500 families in this locality. Most of us are forced to defecate in the open. Our women and children have to wait for night fall to use the sides of the road that lead to the Mahatma Mandir or take cover the Foliage that is behind the slums and the railway station behind us”, says 34 year old Vinu Kavithiya, who runs a make shift shop inside the slum. *Indian Express, December 21, 2014*

<http://epaper.indianexpress.com/401042/Ahmedabad/22-December-2014#page/1/1>

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## **Inadequate public toilets in Bharuch city and surrounding area**

Many families reside in huts in Bharuch and nearby areas. There are limited public toilets for these families. *Sandesh, December 21, 2014*

<http://www.sandesh.com/article.aspx?newsid=3023136>

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## **Be prepared for water cut today, Ahmedabad**

Water supply in the city might be affected on Saturday due to the ongoing repair work on the main waterline between Kotarpur and Hansol, said an AMC official. The supply will be affected in South, West, Central, North and East zones. “The pipeline was leaking and needed to be replaced. *Ahmedabad Mirror, December 20, 2014*

<http://epaperbeta.timesofindia.com/Article.aspx?eid=31819&articlexml=Be-prepared-for-water-cut-today-20122014005021>

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## **All amenities of Surat Municipal Corporation to go online**

*Divya Bhaskar, December 20, 2014*

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/DGUJ-SUR-MAT-latest-surat-news-064505-1046828-NOR.html>

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## **Sanitary Inspector will be responsible if garbage is seen anywhere, official to be penalized, Rajkot**

The Rajkot Municipal Commissioner has initiated surprise checking on cleaning activity in the city. Each ward sanitary inspector will be responsible for clean surroundings. If unclean spots are found, the official will be penalized with Rs. 1000. *Divya Bhaskar, December 20, 2014*

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/SAU-RJK-MAT-latest-rajkot-news-040008-1045094-NOR.html>

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## **Contaminated water supply in Dabhoi, citizen infuriated**

Many areas of Dabhoi are supplied stinky water from last 4 months. Citizens are infuriated due to contaminated water supply. *Sandesh, December 20, 2014*

<http://www.sandesh.com/article.aspx?newsid=3022870>

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## **Water issues in Vapi**

There are complaints on low water pressure in many areas in Vapi. It seems that the problem will be solved once the water supply scheme of Vapi Municipality is completed. However the scheme of Rs. 34 crores has taken more than 5 years and it's still not complete. *Divya Bhaskar, December 19, 2014*

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/DGUJ-VAL-vapi-town-34-crore-water-project-is-still-incomplete-4844377-NOR.html>

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## **Surat Municipal Corporation will penalize shopkeepers for not keeping dustbin**

The Surat Municipal Corporation will penalize shopkeepers for not keeping a dustbin. The commercial properties were penalized on basis of one square feet in the first phase and an amount of Rs. 1526700 was recovered. *Divya Bhaskar, December 19, 2014*

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/DGUJ-SUR-MAT-latest-surat-news-031005-1039308-NOR.html>

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## **Inauguration of underground drainage in Savarkundla**

*Divya Bhaskar, December 19, 2014*

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/SAU-MAT-latest-savarkundla-news-044507-1041148-NOR.html>

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## **Twenty people penalized for throwing garbage in open, Bhavnagar**

The solid waste management department of Bhavnagar Municipal Corporation has initiated cleanliness campaign in the city. As a part of the campaign, the department has penalized 20 people for throwing garbage in open. *Divya Bhaskar, December 19, 2014*

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/SAU-BVN-MAT-latest-bhavnagar-news-043505-1041177-NOR.html>

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## **Inauguration of underground drainage scheme delayed, Modasa**

The inauguration of underground drainage scheme costing Rs. 29.99 crores of Modasa municipality was planned. However, the event was postponed due to some reasons. Citizens were disturbed with it. *Divya Bhaskar, December 19, 2014*

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/UGUJ-MAT-latest-modasa-news-035014-1040187-NOR.html>

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## **West zone of Bhuj will get adequate and regular water**

*Divya Bhaskar, December 19, 2014*

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/KUT-BUJ-bhuj-west-area-will-get-forcefully-water-daily-4844418-NOR.html>

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## **Residents troubled due to inadequate water supply despite water cut for 2 days for water supply pipeline work, Godhra**

There was a leakage in water supply pipeline of Godhra municipality and the water supply was cut for 2 days for undertaking the repairing work. However, on the third day also the citizens did not get adequate water. Few societies of Bhuravav area did not get water. *Sandesh, December 19, 2014*

<http://www.sandesh.com/article.aspx?newsid=3022225>

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## **CM finds own office dirty after launching cleanliness drive**

Gandhinagar: Taking cue from Prime Minister Narendra Modi's 'Swachh Bharat Abhiyan' chief minister Anandi Patel launched an online monitoring system for cleanliness in government offices on Wednesday, but hardly did she know the pilot project will be done on her own office, the result of which is not too impressive. *DNA, December 18, 2014*

[http://epaper.dnaindia.com/story.aspx?id=58127&boxid=4901&ed\\_date=2014-12-18&ed\\_code=1310005&ed\\_page=2](http://epaper.dnaindia.com/story.aspx?id=58127&boxid=4901&ed_date=2014-12-18&ed_code=1310005&ed_page=2)

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## **Underground drainage work in progress in Vapi**

*Divya Bhaskar, December 18, 2014*

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/DGUJ-MAT-latest-vapi-news-054511-1035282-NOR.html>

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## **Water crisis in Sihor**

*Divya Bhaskar, December 18, 2014*

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/SAU-BVN-water-crisis-in-sihor-people-harnessed-4843192-NOR.html>

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## **Government offices surrounded by garbage and dirt, Porbandar**

*Divya Bhaskar, December 18, 2014*

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/SAU-POR-MAT-latest-porbandar-news-051510-1035402-NOR.html>

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## **Balasinor hit by epidemic**

*Gujarat Samachar, December 18, 2014*

[http://www.gujaratsamachar.com/index.php/articles/display\\_article/kheda-anand-nadiad-gujarat-vidhyanagar-cholera-epidemic](http://www.gujaratsamachar.com/index.php/articles/display_article/kheda-anand-nadiad-gujarat-vidhyanagar-cholera-epidemic)

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## **Lack of public toilet in Vidyanagar**

*Sandesh, December 18, 2014*

<http://www.sandesh.com/article.aspx?newsid=3022071>

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## **After PM's call, PSUs flood MSU with waste bins**

VADODARA: Prime Minister Narendra Modi's Swachh Bharat campaign seems to be flooding MS University (MSU) with waste bins with major public sector units (PSUs) diverting their corporate social responsibility (CSR) funds to support cleanliness at the campus. *Times of India, December 17, 2014*

<http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/vadodara/After-PMs-call-PSUs-flood-MSU-with-waste-bins/articleshow/45543901.cms>

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