

**GREATER CHENNAI CORPORATION
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Strict Enforcement of Clean and Safe Construction Guidelines – 2025

The Greater Chennai Corporation (GCC) hereby reiterates that **strict and compulsory enforcement** of the *Clean and Safe Construction Guidelines – 2025* will be carried out, with particular emphasis on **Clause 5**, which is classified as a **High Significance** provision aimed at maintaining public safety and urban cleanliness.

As mandated under Clause 5, **all construction materials, excavated earth, and Construction & Demolition (C&D) waste shall be stored strictly within the construction site**. Under no circumstances shall such materials be dumped, stacked, or placed on **public roads, pavements, footpaths, or road margins**.

Despite repeated instructions, GCC has observed **frequent and wilful violations**, especially in projects such as residential apartments, gated communities, commercial complexes, shopping malls, marriage halls, and educational institutions. These violations lead to **encroachment of footpaths and public spaces**, forcing pedestrians onto carriageways, obstructing traffic, and creating unsafe and unhygienic conditions. Such practices adversely affect public movement, compromise safety, and undermine the cleanliness and orderliness of the city.

Penalties for Violation of Clause 5

- **Built-up area from 500 sq. m up to 20,000 sq. m – ₹25,000**
- **Built-up area exceeding 20,000 sq. m – ₹5,00,000**

For constructions with a **built-up area below 500 sq. m**, owners and occupiers shall also ensure that construction materials are handled and

stored responsibly, **without causing any obstruction to pedestrians, footpaths, or road margins.**

The Greater Chennai Corporation **directs all builders, developers, owners, and occupiers** to ensure full compliance with the *Clean and Safe Construction Guidelines – 2025*, in the larger interest of **public safety, uninterrupted pedestrian and vehicular movement, and maintaining a clean and livable city.**

With effect from 22.12.2025, GCC will enforce these guidelines rigorously, and penalties will be levied on all violators without exception or leniency.

Active public cooperation is vital to **keep Chennai clean, safe, accessible, and orderly for all citizens.**

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