

FUNDS & PROPERTIES OF THE PARSI PUNCHAYET BOMBAY

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PRESS RELEASE – BPP ELECTION POSTPONED

With the sudden surge of COVID-19 cases in Mumbai and Maharashtra, and solely keeping in mind the well-being and protection of our beneficiaries, the Trustees of the BPP have decided by majority to postpone the forthcoming BPP elections slated to take place on March 14, 2021.

The Trustees will be applying to the Hon'ble Bombay High Court to fix a fresh date to hold the elections once the COVID-19 situation has improved.

The well being and safety of each and every community member is of utmost importance to us. Putting members of our community, young and old at risk at this precarious time could potentially have catastrophic effects. With this in mind, the majority of the Trustees have been compelled to take this decision at this critical stage.

Certain members of the community who are unhappy with the decision to postpone elections have become vocal on social media against the BPP Trustees. They are free to share their views, however this decision has been taken solely on the ground that today, Mumbai is once again the epicenter for the spread of COVID-19 with a vast number of buildings in Mumbai being sealed. The Dadar Parsi Colony Gymkhana have denied the BPP permission to host the elections due to the scare of transmission of COVID cases and a BMC notice issued to them. Cusrow Baug too has written to the BPP stating their reservations on holding elections during this time. A few candidates as well have stated their reservations on our intent to hold elections during the pandemic. Keeping the above in mind, the majority of the BPP Trustees have no option but to protect the community by postponing the BPP elections to a date in the near future. We appreciate the efforts made by our office staff and the election team and request them along with the candidates to please bear with us during this pandemic and uncertain times. We look forward to having a harmonious and safe election in the near future.

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