

# Architect PK Das to look at Motilal Nagar revamp

## THE 128-ACRE PLOT

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MUMBAI: The revamp of the 128-acre Motilal Nagar got a push, with the appointment of architect PK Das and Associates as the project management consultant (PMC) for the cluster development project in Goregaon.

Das, who is known for mapping slums in Mumbai as well as Bandra seafront restoration work, will prepare a roadmap for Maharashtra Housing and Area Development Authority (Mhada) for the implementation of the Motilal Nagar, which was constructed in 1960, was built for the poor and was inaugurated by the late former PM Jawaharlal Nehru

on providing affordable housing and amenities to people. "This is a good chance to generate affordable open spaces, with cycling and jogging tracks," he said.

Motilal Nagar constructed in open project undertaken by Mhada. The agency planned to rehabilitate the existing 3,628 tenants in 485 sqft houses and use the rest of the plot to create a housing stock. At least 15,000-20,000 affordable housing units are likely to be generated.

With no more open spaces left, Mhada is eyeing all colonies to create affordable units. Resident associations want transparency in the implementation of the scheme. "We are not opposed to redevelopment, but we want Mhada to consult us on the steps it plans to take " said Yuvraj Mohite president