

Bhendi Bazaar redevelopment project receives final BMC nod

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WORK on the city's largest redevelopment project, the metamorphosis of Bhendi Bazaar, got underway with the project having received the final set of clearances from the Brihanmumbai Municipal Corporation (BMC) to begin construction in the first phase. The corporation granted a commencement certificate to Saifee Burhani Upliftment Trust (SBUT), implementing the Bhendi Bazaar makeover for its first phase of two clusters, comprising four buildings.

Abbas Master, chief executive

at SBUT, said, "We received the last clearance last month. We have already started construction work, focusing on piling and excavation. We hope to complete the first phase of the project in three years. Simultaneously, we will get approvals for other phases."

Bhendi Bazaar redevelopment project is one of the first cluster redevelopment projects to be taken up in the city.

The project will involve the transformation of 16.5 acres of 250 dilapidated buildings housing 3,200 families and 1,250 shops into well-planned clusters of 17 new highrises, wide roads, parks and other amenities.