

Tree trimming: BMC looks for tech solution

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Mumbai: The BMC is looking for start-ups or any other firms that can provide a technology-based solution for carrying out the trimming of trees in the city. The annual tree trimming exercise attracts a lot of flak from citizens, tree lovers, and environmentalists due to the way the trimming is carried out.

Tree lovers allege that, in most places, the trees are just badly hacked, leaving only the stump. The BMC faces criticism from tree lovers during the monsoon period, as men deployed by contractors engaged by the civic body often hack the trees without taking into consideration the health condition of the trees.

Additional municipal commissioner Amit Saini confirmed that the BMC is on the lookout for companies that would be able to offer a technology-based solution for trimming of trees. —Sanjeev Devasia

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In the jungles of Poland, around 400 trees have intrigued many due to their unusual 90-degree bend at the base. Planted in the 1930s, theories for their shape include trampling by Nazi tanks or human intervention for furniture making. The latter was disrupted by World War I. Experts suggest this bend is due to natural responses to environmental conditions.[112051042](#)

Funds boost sought to cut unstable trees
Several MLAs on Friday highlighted the insufficiency of funds under the disaster management plan for tree cutting, urging for an increase. Chief Minister Pramod Sawant mentioned that funds had been increased this year and more would be provided. Revenue Minister Monserrate noted that local bodies should work with the forest department and contact deputy collectors to identify dangerous trees.[112050717](#)

2 timber contractors held for illegal teak tree felling in Pilibhit
Two timber contractors were arrested by Pilibhit police and the Forest and Wildlife Division for illegally cutting 32 teak trees from a private field without a permit.

The operation, following a tip-off, recovered 60 logs. The contractors admitted to their actions but couldn't provide the required permit. Efforts continue to apprehend an accomplice who fled the scene.111996269