

Expert Roundtable Discussion on **My Bengaluru, My Manifesto** Women & Child Safety & Development





MY BENGALURU MY MANIFESTO

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Discussion topics



- **Current City Women Safety & Empowerment Scenario in Bengaluru**
- Analysis - Manifestos and Budgets by ruling political parties
- Recommendations to improve Women Safety & Empowerment in Bengaluru
 - Governance
 - Infrastructure
 - Work Place
 - School
 - Police, Legal & Counselling Centers
 - Economic Empowerment Opportunities



Outcome:

- Recommendations
- Short term and long term strategy to achieve recommendations
- Manifesto will be shared with political parties
- Continuous advocacy efforts

Introduction



- B.PAC's **Election Habba** initiatives – To spread **awareness about electoral procedures**
- KA General Election | April 2018

CITIZENS' MANIFESTO FOR **BENGALURU**



Mobility &
Infrastructure



Waste
management



Governance



Water &
Sanitation



Women &
Child



Current City Scenario in Bengaluru on Women Safety & Empowerment

CITY CIVIC AGENCIES



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**Karnataka Women & Child
Development Department**
<https://wcd.karnataka.gov.in/>



Saksi One Stop Center
<https://wcd.karnataka.gov.in/>

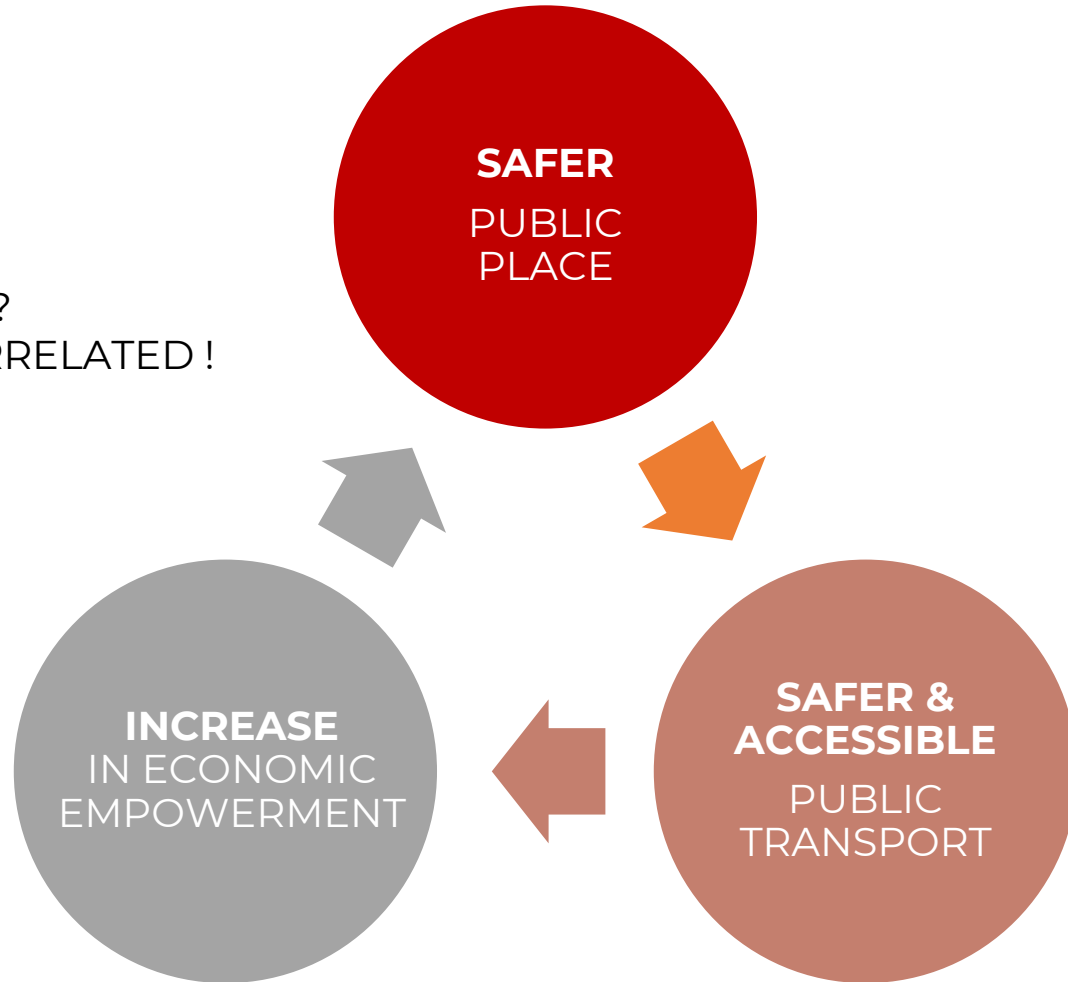


Bengaluru City Police
<https://bcp.karnataka.gov.in/>



Karnataka State Commission for Women
<https://kscw.karnataka.gov.in/>

What we already know ?
HOW ARE THESE INTERRELATED !





Analysis - Manifestos and Budgets by ruling political parties



Governance	Strengthen Karnataka State Commission for Protection of Child Rights (KCPCR)
Infrastructure	2000 Public toilets including SHE Toilets will be build across 28 AC's 24/7
	Nirbhaya Bengaluru CCTV Kangaavalu – Face recognition cameras to be installed at vantage positions across the city to curb the menace of eve teasing, chain snatching and sexual crimes.
School & Children	Protecting Our Children – A comprehensive roadmap making schools and other places accountable and safe for Children
	Gunamattada Shikshana- High Quality Education for all, especially in all Government Schools.
Police, Legal & Counselling centres	Kittur Rani Chennamma Pade, a special all-women squad will be created for the safety and security of women and children.
	• 3 new Special child-friendly courts will be established in Bengaluru
	Create an Integrated Bengaluru Security Management Center which integrates feeds from all police agencies, Government agencies and other private feeds.
	Security for women and citizens travelling in late hours with increased patrolling women Police Squads and stations will be subsequently increased.
	Increased patrolling in residential areas with a view that within 3 years all neighborhoods will be covered with night patrolling under Hoysala or Citizen Watch Groups.
	Separate 24-hour Police hotline for women in distress and child crimes.
	At least 3 more Special fast track courts for speedy adjudication of cases of offences against Women and children.
Form a Special Investigation Cell, under a woman Police Officer and employing 1,000 police women, to investigate all pending cases of crimes against women.	
Health	Mission Indradhanush will be implemented to ensure that all children under the age of two and pregnant women are fully immunised against seven life-threatening diseases — tuberculosis, poliomyelitis, hepatitis B, diphtheria, pertussis, tetanus and measles.
Economic Empowerment opportunities	Loans upto ` 2 Lakhs shall be given to women only Self Help Groups at 1% interest.
	Establish a ` 10,000 Crore “Stree Unnati Fund” to set up one of the largest women run cooperatives and establish “Stree Unnati Stores” to market its products at district and taluk headquarters.
	Launch a policy to promote and encourage women entrepreneurs.
	Establish 30 new mini Micro, Small and Medium Enterprise (MSME) clusters under a 100 Crore “Karnataka Mahila Enterprise Cluster Program” to support women run businesses.
	Earmark 5% of all public procurement for women run MSMEs.



Governance	Development of Gender Development Indices (GDI)/Gender Inequality Index
	devoted to ensure that every child in Karnataka lives with dignity in an environment that is free from discrimination and violence. The rights of every child to survival, development, protection, and participation throughout childhood will be protected and fulfilled.
Work Place	endeavor to raise the employment level of women to 50% in the government workforce
	Implement sexual harassment prevention policy in all establishments
	We will make the setting up of Internal Complaints Committee (ICC) and Local Complaints Committee (LCC) mandatory
Police, Legal & Counselling centres	Increase the number of women in police force from 20% to 33% with at least 5% reservation for transgender
	We will set up internal complaints committee on sexual harassment (ICC) in each police zone
	Presence of at least two-woman officers (one sub-inspector and one constable) round the clock.
	Establish Children' Court with adequate infrastructure and trained Public Prosecutor to ensure justice to children.
	We will ensure effective functioning of One Stop Crisis Centre (OSCC) and create adequate shelter homes in every district to provide physical, medical and psychosocial support and rehabilitation
	Ensure effective implementation of provisions of POCSO
Economic Empowerment opportunities	Ensuring "Gender Just" budget and track expenditure in the skill development programmes for women
	Skill development for 1,000 women every year starting from 2018 covering 8,000 rural women
	Support 1,000 women entrepreneurs every year for entrepreneurial development

Political Parties 2018 Manifesto Commitments



Janata Dal – Secular (JD-S)

Governance	to increase the representation of women in politics by providing reservations for women in local bodies and the state legislature
Infrastructure	Buying a property in woman's name can avail 50% discount on the registration fees of the property
Work Place	promised to ensure the protection of women in the workplace by enforcing laws against workplace harassment and discrimination
School & Children	Free education for girl child of all ages all standards
Police, Legal & Counselling centres	ensure the safety of women by setting up special police stations and fast-track courts to handle cases of violence against women
	establish a strong child protection system to prevent child abuse and exploitation
Health	provide quality healthcare facilities for women, including maternal and child health services
	Support for pregnant women in providing 6000/rs three months prior to the delivery and three months after delivery for the lactating mother
	Provision of free sanitary pads for school going girl child
Economic Empowerment opportunities	promote women's empowerment by providing education, training, and employment opportunities
	promote women's entrepreneurship by providing financial assistance and technical support to women entrepreneurs

Understanding the budget over the years (2019-2023)



Categories	State Budget 2019-20	State Budget 2020-21	State Budget 2021-22	State Budget 2022-23	State Budget 2023-24
Governance					
Infrastructure	It is proposed to establish child care rooms for the nourishment of children in all district and major taluk bus stands	The re-construction of 842 Anganawadi Kendras damaged by floods during the year 2019 in the State will be taken up at a cost of Rs.138 crore	To assist the urban working women for taking care of children, our Government will upgrade the Anganawadis in Bengaluru and other cities into crèches in a phased manner.	'Amruth Nagaroththana' scheme will be implemented at an expenditure of Rs.6000 crore in the next three years to provide infrastructure facilities in Bengaluru city. Road development, grade separator, lake development, major storm water drain development, development of parks, buildings, solid waste management, street lights, slum area development etc., will be taken up under this scheme in limits of BBMP	In the State, 19 lakhs school and college students depend on the public bus service for their education. In order to enhance the coverage, it is proposed to launch 'Makkala Buss' scheme through which an additional 1,000 schedules will be operated through Road Transport Corporations at the cost of Rs.100 crore. This will benefit additional 2 lakh students every year.
		grant of Rs.25 crore is earmarked in year 2020-21 to establish a scheme, "Vanitha Sangathi" in association with factory owners and Bengaluru Metropolitan Transport Corporation (BMTc), to provide free monthly bus passes to one lakh women labourers working in garment factories			
Workplace			After coming to the power our government has amended the Labour Law for facilitating the women to work in the night shifts thereby giving women equal opportunities in employment.	It is decided to increase the monthly honorarium being paid to the Anganawadi workers on the basis of service rendered. It would be increased by Rs.1500 for those who have rendered more than 20 years of service, by Rs.1250 for those who rendered service of 10-20 years and by Rs.1000 for those who rendered service less than 10 years.	Recognising the contribution of Anganawadi worker, cooks and assistants under Mid-day meals, ASHA workers and librarians, in improving the sectors of Education, health and nutrition, their monthly honorarium will be increased by Rs. 1,000
			Though 'Vanitha Sangathi' program for providing BMTc bus passes at concessional rate to women labourers of garment sector who are in highest number in Bengaluru was announced in previous year's budget it was not implemented due to Covid-19 Pandemic. Hence, this programme will be implemented by BMTc in partnership with Labour Department at a cost of Rs. 30 crore during the current year.		

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School & Children	In view of the increasing density of population in urban areas, it is essential to open new Anganawadi Centres. Therefore, it is proposed to open 100 new Anganawadi Centres in urban areas during this year.	A special feature of the current Budget is that our Government is presenting the Child Budget for the first time in the history of the State. All the policies and programmes for the development of children below 18 years of age are consolidated and presented in this Budget. 279 programmes involving Rs.36,340 crore are proposed in the Budget for the year 2020-21, comprising of 15.28% of the total volume of the Budget.		A grant of Rs.100 crore will be allocated to provide furniture to the Government high schools and pre-university colleges.	An amount of Rs.725 crore has been provided for 10.32 lakh children of the State under Raitha Vidya Nidhi scheme. During the year 2022-23, this was extended to the children of landless agricultural laborers, weavers, fishermen, yellow board taxi drivers and auto rickshaw drivers covering 3 lakhs children with an expenditure of Rs. 141 crores. The scheme will be extended to the children of Tailors during the current year
				In accordance with the National Education Policy 2020, to provide quality pre-primary education and care to all children aged between 3 to 6 years, new curriculum will be implemented in 20,000 Anganwadis at a cost of Rs.30 crore, in co-ordination with the Department of Public Education and Department of Women and Child Welfare Development.	This will be a landmark day in the education sector of the State. In order to enable all the children who pass out of the high schools to continue their higher education, they will be provided with free education in Government Pre-University and Government Degree Colleges under 'CM Vidya Shakti Scheme'. This decision will benefit 8 lakh students of the State.
					In the areas not having sufficient number of Anganwadis in proportion to the population, action has been taken to commence 3,538 new Anganawadi Centres in the year 2022-23 at a cost of Rs.270 crore from the state funds. A total of Rs. 47256 crore has been provided for Child Welfare
Police, Legal & Counselling centres	Rs.3 crore is provided to convert the Juvenile Special Courts of 10 districts in the State into Child Friendly Courts	A Woman Safety Portal will be launched to deliver all the programmes of the Women and Child Welfare Department transparently including the facilities provided at counseling centres, special medical units, Ashraya houses, working women hostels and legal aid and other facilities to women	Help centres have been established in all the police stations under Nirbhaya Scheme. Additional security to women will be ensured by fixing 7,500 cameras in Bengaluru city through the activation of safe city projects.	A new women KSRP (Karnataka State Reserve Police) company will be started in the State.	
		It is the priority of our Government to provide safety to the women in the State. The "Suraksha App" which is developed in this regard has been downloaded by more than 2 lakh women in Bengaluru city. By extending this app throughout the State during the year 2020-21, protection will be given to the women in times of trouble through the emergency response vehicles.		An innovative program will be formulated through Home Department to provide training in self-defence to 3 lakh girls in the State	
				200 surveillance cameras will be installed in each of the five Police Commissionerates	

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Health	<p>"Chief Minister Mathrusree Scheme" was announced in the 2018-19 Budget speech. It was announced that the facilities of this scheme will be increased in a phased manner. Accordingly, with effect from 1st of November, 2019, the monthly grant of Rs.1,000 being paid earlier will be enhanced to Rs.2,000 per month which will be directly transferred to the Aadhaar linked bank account of pregnant women of BPL families for three months prior to the delivery and three months after delivery for the lactating mother. An amount of Rs.470 crore will be provided for this scheme during 2019-20</p>	<p>With a view to supply nutritious food to anganawadis, Mahila Supplementary Nutrition Production and Training Centres have been established and the required infrastructure has been provided. To enhance the production capacity by modernizing these centres, it is proposed to provide interest free loan from Rs.15 lakh to Rs.20 lakh under the Marginal Loan Scheme of Karnataka State Women Development Corporation. Rs.20 crore is provided for this purpose during the year 2020-21</p>	<p>For giving proper care to the mother and the child's health at the stage of pregnancy and to detect any complications at an early stage, encouraging scanning of pregnant women will be taken up at a cost of Rs.10 crore under a programme called 'Chiguru'.</p>	<p>300 Women Health Centers will be established in the year 2022-23 under National Health Mission. They will provide advice for women related health issues and also function as women welfare centers.</p>	<p>Approval has been accorded to establish 438 Namma Clinics in the urban areas of the State and 272 Namma Clinics have started functioning already. 53 out of 128 Women Wellness Centres approved in the last year have been completed. These are major steps taken towards the strengthening of public health services in the urban and rural areas</p>
		<p>To create women friendly environment in Bengaluru, child care centres, women rest rooms having sanitary napkin dispensers and other facilities will be opened under the "Bengaluru Smart City" project selected Government offices</p>	<p>To protect the mother and the child from malnutrition, a programme under the Indian system of medicine, 'Poshane Mattu Jeevanopaya' will be started at a cost of Rupees 5 crore by Ayush Department in collaboration with the Department of Women and Child Development.</p>		<p>A new scheme will be implemented to fight Anaemia in the State, with multi-dimensional interventions. Rs.100 crore is provided for the intended tests, treatment, public awareness and training under this scheme to eradicate Anaemia and malnutrition among neonates, children, adolescents, pregnant women and lactating mothers and women of reproductive age</p>
		<p>To enable visually challenged children to become self reliant in their day-to-day life, a kit worth Rs.25000, containing a talking mobile, a Braille watch, a walking stick and other equipments will be distributed to 500 visually challenged children in the State. Rs.1.25 crore will be provided for this purpose</p>			<p>In order to strengthen the Anganwadis which play in addressing malnutrition and improving of health of mother and child, as announced in the last budget, a grant has been provided to construct buildings for 1,000 Anganwadis not having their own building.</p>

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Economic Empowerment	For the women who have obtained sewing machine training, a self employment fund scheme will be implemented and subsidy of 50% will be provided for purchase of industrial sewing machine. For this purpose, Rs.2 crore is provided in the year 2019-20.	The products manufactured by women Self Help Groups will be procured as per the requirements of various Government Departments	Women entrepreneurs in hospital, wellness and other service sectors will be provided with loan facility upto Rupees two crore at a subsidised rate of 4% through Woman Development Board/Karnataka State Financial Corporation to encourage women entrepreneurs	To encourage the women self help groups, a canteen and a sale outlet managed by women self help societies will be established in at least one Government office complex in each district	The Government has given emphasis to encourage more number of women to get involved in the economic activities. Action is being taken to provide community investment fund of Rs. 500 crore to 50,000 SHG's at the rate of Rs.1 lakh each under the 'Stree Samarthya Yojane'. Under various self-employment schemes, Community Investment Fund of Rs.108 crore to 7,239 SelfHelp Groups and loan of Rs.11,391 crore under bank linkage program to 568 lakh Self-Help Groups has been provided. Loan facility through banks has been provided to 9,688 individual and group beneficiaries to commence micro enterprises
	necessary support will be given to establish manufacturing units by providing entrepreneurship and skill development training to 1,000 oppressed women. Rs.11.5 crore is provided for this purpose. Steps will be taken to provide reservation to oppressed women in the housing schemes of the State Government		To support women entrepreneurs in the State, a programme called Elevate Women Entrepreneurship (Elevate WomEN) will be implemented with an outlay of Rupees five crore. Under this programme, facility of finance, nurturing/speedy support, global connectivity and counselling will be given.	To increase the presence of women in business/industry, women entrepreneurs and women led startups identified by KITS under "Elevate" scheme would be provided direct loan up to Rs.10 lakh through Karnataka State Women Development Corporation.	A total of Rs. 46278 crore has been provided in the budget for the Women Empowerment and Welfare
	For the upgradation of skills of women workers and trainers at garment factories belonging to Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe it is proposed to train 25,000 women at a cost of Rs.37.5 crore.		Towards implementing the pro-women thoughts of our Government a 'Mission for Protection and Empowerment of Women' will be launched under the direct supervision of the Chief Minister. This will facilitate in achieving co-ordination among various departments implementing the schemes of women protection and empowerment.		Suitable Skill training will be provided to specially-abled children in Bengaluru through short term training courses to make them employable
	it is proposed to enhance the honorarium by Rs.500 and Rs.250 being paid to Anganawadi workers and the helpers respectively				



Recommendations
to
My Bengaluru My Manifesto



○ Governance

- A dedicated minister for Women and Child Development and the minister to not hold any other portfolio.
- Publish annual report and gender disaggregated statistics of women in workforce in Bengaluru city and state.
- Publish outcome of Women's Empowerment Schemes.
- Periodic inter-department review meetings between Home Ministry, Department of Women and Child Development, Department of Women Development Corporation, Health and Education etc. to review coordinate between agencies to track progress.
- Annual report on progress of women in various Government sectors and also other sectors such as Education, Defense, Engineering, Entrepreneurship etc.



○ Infrastructure

- City to measure its safety index based on defined safety parameters (footpath, street lights, gender mix, security etc.). Each ward to be awarded a safety score. Details of index and score to be put out in public domain. Targets to be set for improvement of safety scores.
- Annual survey on perception of safety in public places to be carried out to understand the necessary measures that need to be taken to make public places safer for women and children. Results to be put out in public domain.
- Ensure BBMP has a full proof, automatic system for street lights all over the city.
- All bus stops are upgraded for lighting and passenger information system (PIS).
- Spaces around schools to be made safe for children to walk. routes to schools to be identified and marked along with necessary pedestrian friendly infrastructure.
- Pedestrian friendly and safe footpaths across Bengaluru



○ **Work Place**

- Informal sector: As per Sexual Harassment at Workplace Act, every ward must have a Local Complaints Committee (LCC). Currently, Bengaluru city has one Local Complaints Committee to address sexual harassment at workplace. Set up one LCC per constituency by 2025 and one LCC per ward by 2030.
- Formal sector: Monitor the implementation of Sexual Harassment of Workplace Act and publish data on level of implementation in various sectors.
- Display information on Sexual Harassment of Workplace Act and contact details of Local Complaints Committee in all police stations and ward offices..



○ **Schools & Children**

- BBMP may plan and establish ward level libraries to cater to the needs of children, youth, women and senior citizens by utilising the Library Cess collected by it

○ **Police, Legal & Counselling centres**

- Revamp and increase the capacity of the short stay and rehabilitation centers.
- The Karnataka Police force has 6% women. Commit to reach 30% of women police force within 5 years.
- Publish functioning of fast track courts for POSCO cases

○ **Economic Empowerment Opportunities**

- Entrepreneurship support cells in each constituency to help women groups and individuals to set up small and medium scale ventures and to explore self-employment opportunities. These centers to also help women get employment/jobs in their vicinity.

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**What should we Demand from our leaders to improve
the Women & Child Safety of the city?**

Open for Expert Discussion

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