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Cabinet okays upgradation of city roads

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Bangalore: The State Cabinet which met here on Tuesday is understood to have approved the upgradation of 23 arterial roads in Bangalore at a cost of Rs. 108 crore. Tenders will be floated for the works to be undertaken.

Sources in the Government told *The Hindu* that most of these roads form part of the newly added areas to the city municipal corporation which resulted in the formation of the Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike. Apart from road widening works, the authorities have been permitted to undertake asphalting works as well.

The Cabinet also approved granting ownership rights (hakku patras to be given) to 1,077 slum dwellers settled in the Peenya Plantation area. Further, the slum dwellers of Bangalore who have not paid their dues to the Bangalore Water Supply and Sewerage Board have been given an interest waiver on their dues provided they pay up their bills. This will cost the Government Rs. 4.7 crore.