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Mysore City Corporation clueless about controversial building

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MYSORE: The Mysore City Corporation (MCC), which is the authority to issue licence for construction of buildings in the city, has no clue about the controversial under-construction building coming up next to Kukkarahalli lake.

The urban body made this revelation when B Srinivas of Vinayak Nagar sought the details under the Right to Information Act.

In the wake of controversy surrounding the construction of a building next to housing blocks attached to the university along a patch of land on Bogadhi Road, the applicant approached the MCC seeking information on July 5. In its reply dated July 9, the MCC <u>assistant</u> commissioner

(zone 3) has stated that the issue does not come under its purview.

"It comes under the university limits and you can contact them," the reply said.

Releasing the copies of the RTI reply, former chairman of Mysore Urban Development

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(Muda) C Basavegowda
on Sunday said: "This is irresponsible. The MCC is the body tasked with implementing building bye laws."

According to Basavegowda, the building is being constructed violating the Comprehensive Development Plan (CDP) devised by Muda.

"It was marked as open space in the CDP which is now being violated. Though I have intimated this to corporation commissioner M R Ravi 10 days ago, it has not stopped. Today, when I spoke to an engineer attached to the University of Mysore, he said the university is not building the structure and the land is handed over to the government," he said.

When asked, Basavegowda said he is not aware as to who is building the structure. "Even if it is built by the government or private persons, it violates the CDP," he said, setting July 25 deadline for the MCC to step in. "If the civic body fails, we will hold a dharna at the site on July 26," he added.