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10 major roads to become 'no parking' zones soon

GURGAON: To ease prominent traffic bottlenecks in the city, the municipal corporation along with traffic police plans to declare over 10 arterial roads as 'red zones', where parking vehicles will not be allowed. The authorities however have not bothered to come up with an alternative parking solution.

"These are core traffic areas and should be 'no-parking' zones. I have already spoken to the police commissioner and we have decided to declare 10-15 odd city roads as 'red zones'. While we have already identified a couple of roads such as the one connecting Sadar Bazaar to the bus terminal, Jail Road and Atul Kataria Chowk, we will zero in on more roads soon. Most of the roads will be in old city and some in new Gurgaon," said MCG commissioner Praveen Kumar. "The concept is popular in England and many other countries. The 'red zones' will have signboards painted in red and CCTVs to monitor any violation, following which our enforcement team will take necessary action," Kumar said.

Kumar however did not say much about the parking alternatives. "This is to discourage people from parking anywhere they like. They will have to park elsewhere and walk. The proposed multi-level parking lots will take at least another year to get ready."

"Developed countries have excellent public transport system and adequate parking lots but in Gurgaon people are forced to use their vehicles. The municipal corporation must first provide efficient public transport and then come up with such ideas," said Jagat Singh, a Sector 15 resident.