Flower curtains to adorn Shilparamam at Gachibowli flyover

*Pictures depicting how the green curtains will be installed in the city.*

**Hyderabad:** Four green curtains of 8-9 feet high will be set up opposite Shilparamam, at mini Charminar-Hitex, HICC entrance and at the Gachibowli flyover.

The curtain opposite Shilparamam will be feature four large pots with an abundance of flowers. The pillars of the Mini Charminar will be wrapped with a floral burst too. GHMC is procuring a variety of flowers from Bengaluru and Pune. Flower-bearing plants such as Grandiflora petunias, Salvia (a shrub) and Dianthus (native mainly to Europe and Asia) are being planted in the green curtains. These three varieties have been selected as they are easy to grow, bloom abundantly, and look picturesque in the landscape.

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The skeleton structure for the curtain at Shilparamam and HICC entrance has been set up, the one at Gachibowli, awaits completion of road repair works. The greenery work will begin this week, said the Urban Biodiversity Wing officials of the GHMC. Currently, the green screens will be watered manually, while the grid system will be installed later. A drawing of a woman blowing a trumpet, with her leg on a drum. A sculpture will be made of the same design and placed under the Gachibowli flyover.

The urban biodiversity in the western belt of the city now stands at 17 percent with 1.70 lakh sapling plantations done during 2017’s Haritha Haram. In 2016, one lakh plantations was done with institutions like Hyderabad Central University and ICRISAT contributing to the green cover. [Read more]