

May 7, 2022 at 11 am

Minutes with Auroville Town Development Council and YC Meeting

Prior to the meeting, Anbu came to the Youth Center, on the request of Auroville Council to clarify if any new structures were constructed on the Crown during the Stay Order Period. He noted that none were there. The meeting then shifted to the Auroville Town Development Council office in Town Hall.

Present: Suryan, Monolo, Sasha, Deep, Toby, Anbu, Sinduja

1. YC requested a clarification as to which are the 'unauthorized structures that have to be dismantled'.
 - a. Toby explained that unauthorized buildings are those that do not have NOC. Monolo asked if it is 70% of Auroville, which Toby then replied Yes. Later he said that even though the Matrimandir did not have an NOC, it is in the Master Plan.
2. Monolo asked as this e-mail dated 05-05-2022 came from the Auroville Town Development Council, on whose authority this demand was made.
 - a. Toby said this order came from the Auroville Foundation Secretariat.
 - b. Sasha asked if the Auroville Town Development Council will carry out the order, to which Toby said Yes. *Neither in the e-mail dated 05-05-2022 or in the meeting today did Auroville Town Development Council state they were coming to YC with JCB on Monday, 9th May. It was only mentioned in response to Sasha's question whether the ATDC will carry out the order to which Toby said yes.*
3. Monolo expressed his disapproval of Auroville Town Development Council's approach to this situation. He and Anbu got into a small argument which was settled after which the meeting continued.
4. Suryan asked whether the Auroville Town Development Council is willing to discuss with the Auroville Foundation Secretariat the possibility of giving more time to fulfill the demand being made, to which Toby said "Let us do our work".
5. Sasha wished them luck in discussing this matter with the Auroville Foundation Secretariat.