

સીમેન્ટમાં ભાવ વધારો

સભ્યશ્રી,

જ્યભારત સાથે જણાવવાનું કે, હાલ સીમેન્ટનાં ભાવો રોજે-રોજ વધતાં જાય છે. આ એક ગંભીર પ્રશ્ન અને બાબત છે. **RBI Index** અને સીમેન્ટનાં ભાવોમાં ખૂબજ તફાવત રહેતા, કોન્ટ્રાક્ટરોને મોટું આર્થિક નુકનાસ થાય છે. આ બાબતે આપનો અભિપ્રાય સંસ્થાની ઓફીસે મોકલી આપશો, જેથી ગુજરાત લેવલે એક મીટીંગનું આયોજન થ શકે.

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Cement price worries builders

Ahmedabad: The rising cement prices have left the builders a worried lot. Already fighting the sluggish property demand, the developers are feeling the heat of skyrocketing cement prices, which they say clubbed with the rise in sand and labour costs has shot up their construction outlay.

The Gujarat Institute Of Housing & Estate Developers (GIHED) members on Thursday got together to up their ante

against the cement manufacturing companies, which, they alleged, are running a cartel to inflate prices.

"Despite construction activities going at a slower rate, in the last three months cement prices have shot up by more than 30 per cent. After Competition Commission of India (CCI) slapped penalty to cement companies, they have formed a cartel to artificially raise prices," said GIHED vice-president, Di-

pak Patel.

Developer Shekhar Patel said, "Developers are already reeling under labour and power issues and if nothing is done, we will have to pass on the rise to customers." "The state government hasn't announced the development plan for Ahmedabad which has been pending since 2010. We have been demanding extra FSI as it will bring down property cost," said developer Jaxxy Shah. nw