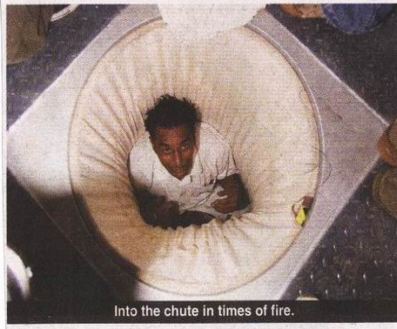


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Hi-tech fire escape installed at Planet Godrej

CHUTING TO SAFETY



Into the chute in times of fire.

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In a city where fire safety norms have long been ignored in residential apartments, the installation of a fire escape chute at Planet Godrej, the 48-storey high-rise public housing at Mahalaxmi, comes as a much needed shot-in-the-arm. The fire escape chute, an emergency exit that permits rapid and mass evacuation during threatening circumstances, was installed in two of the five storeys on the plot on June 10, Wednesday. Such an alternate escape route is the first of its kind in India, and along with the Nation Tower in Bangkok, the tallest building to have such an installation.

At the event to mark the setting-up, a satisfied Chief Fire Officer, P.D. Karuguppikar, stated, "even



Chief fire officer Karuguppikar steadying the chute on its way.