

Footpath usage survey – 2024: Findings



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Why the survey



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There is something wrong with a footpath if people are still walking on the carriageway!

- Important KPI of a footpath:
 - Pedestrians must use it!
- Objective 1: What % of people are still walking on the road?
 - “People just don’t use a footpath”
 - Why would someone want to put their life in danger, intentionally?
- Objective 2: Identify salient features that encourage / discourage people from using footpath
 - Photo documentation

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Survey locations and % of people on footpath

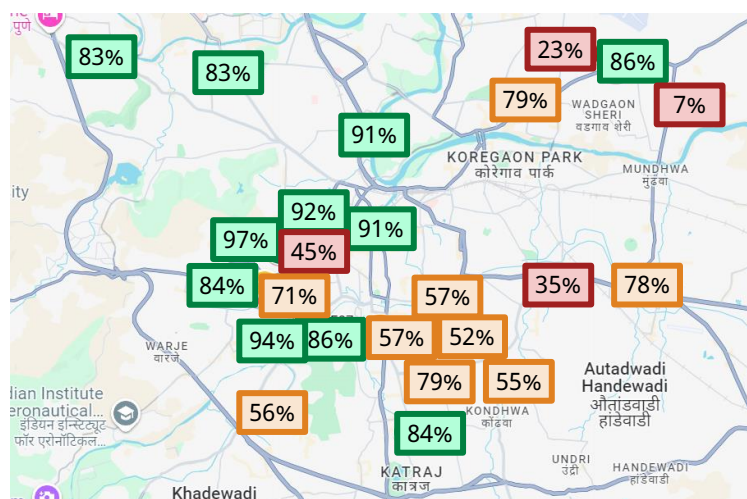


24 locations

- Usage varied from 7% to 91%

Most are ‘new’ footpaths

- Inappropriate to arrive at an ‘average’



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Usage: 7%**Opposite Radisson, Kharadi**

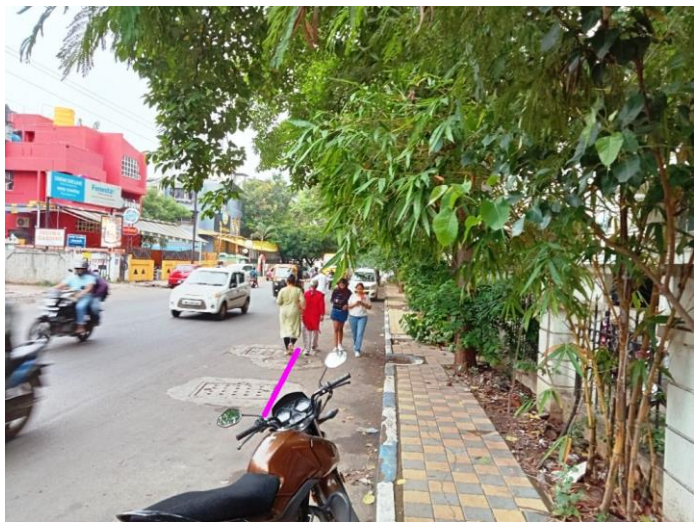
Pedestrians need to go up-n-down, but there's huge space to park perpendicularly! Only 7% peds are on this 'footpath' opp Radisson, Kharadi. On the right, you can see the extent of the dirt line. There is ample scope to build a well designed JM-FC-like FP here.



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Usage: 23%**Viman Nagar**

This Vimannagar footpath offers more obstructions to walk, than the carriageway. No wonder only 23% pedestrians were found using it! Widen it just by a meter and these ladies would walk safely. Vehicular flow wouldn't be affected!



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Usage: 35%**Fatimanagar**

This footpath in Fatimanagar treats pedestrians like second class citizens. Huge space is provided for parking! This lady + son would have walked on the FP if it were wide enough to push parking in the same line as the tree. Result? Only 35% peds use the footpath.



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Usage: 49%**Shahu College Rd**

A dead wall, parked vehicles, DP boxes create a claustrophobic realm for pedestrians. No wonder 49% peds were found using the carriageway of Shahu College Rd. Widen FP by a meter, remove parking. All peds will be on FP then, and traffic also will be smoother!



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Usage: 56%

Amrut Ganga Soc., off Sinhagad Rd



Barricades cut pedestrians off, and make the footpath feel unsafe, inconvenient. Why do you need such barricades? Only 56% pedestrians were found using this footpath at Amrut Ganga Society, off Sinhagad Rd.



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Usage: 57%

Nehru Road, near Seven Loves



Only 57% pedestrians walk on this footpath near 7 Loves. This FP also could have been wider by one more meter. Pedestrians must be given the space they need! If you are worried about 'bechare vehicles', the dirt line tells you how much space vehicles use/need!



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Usage: 79% Loop Road



Loop Rd has an example of a footpath that is not super-wide, but provides a clear, uninterrupted walkway. 79% peds are on the FP here. Yet, just one more meter would put the guy in the checkered shirt on the footpath, instead of walking next to moving vehicles.



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Usage: 79% Bibwewadi-Kondhwa Rd



This footpath on Bibwewadi-Kondhwa Rd provides a clear, uninterrupted walkway. 79% pedestrians were on FP! But it could have been easily wider by about a meter, even without affecting parking (See the yellow marks). We are sure that would have put nearly 100% pedestrians on the FP.



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Usage: 86%**Nagar Road opp 4 Points Sheraton**

With street vendors, people don't have to drive for their needs. A managed no of vendors are good. A 'footpath' needs to give space to vendors+customers, and then also enough space for people to walk. This footpath on Nagar Rd. hosts 86% of the pedestrians!



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Usage: 91%**At Wakdewadi ST Stand**

As many as 91% pedestrians were found using this 'footpath' at Wakdewadi ST Stand! **What you see here is a cycle track, adjacent to a 'footpath' that is occupied by illegally parked vehicles.** Don't the traffic police see these vehicles parked on the footpath?



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