



SPECIAL REPORT

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Overview

Mumbai and Pune will see major traffic restrictions and crowd-related disruptions on April 13–14 for the 134th birth anniversary of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar. Authorities expect large gatherings and have issued advisories urging residents to avoid high-traffic zones, plan alternate routes, and use public transport. Emergency access will be maintained, while parking will be strictly regulated.

Major Traffic Restrictions and Parking Guidelines

Mumbai

Regulation Timing: April 13, 12 PM to April 14, 12 AM

Road Closures/One-Way Changes:

- S.K. Bole Road: One-way from Siddhivinayak to Portuguese Church
- S.V.S. Road: Closed Siddhivinayak to Yes Bank Jn. (Use Pandurang Naik Marg)
- Ranade Road & Dnyaneshwar Mandir Road: Fully closed
- Heavy Vehicles: Diverted from Mahim Jn. via L.J. Road (BEST buses allowed)

Alternate Routes:

- **Southbound:**
- Kalanagar Jn. → Dharavi T-Jn. → Sion/Dr. B.A. Road OR Bandra-Worli Sea Link
- **Northbound:**
- From Colaba/CSMT: P D'mello → Nath Pai → Zakaria Bunder → RAK Rd → Sion
- From Mahalaxmi: Dr. E. Moses → Rakhangi Chowk → Senapati Bapat Rd
- From EEH: Wadala Bridge → Barkat Ali Naka → BPT Colony → Eastern Freeway

No Parking Zones:

- S.V.S. Road, Ranade Road, Dnyaneshwar Mandir Road, Keluskar Road (S & N)

Designated Parking Areas:

- Senapati Bapat Rd (Mahim/Dadar), Kohinoor Square, India Bulls Finance & Center, Kamgar Stadium, Five Gardens (RAK 4th Rd)

Pune

Movement Restrictions: April 13: 7 PM to 2 AM, April 14: From 6 AM until dispersal of crowds

Closed/High-Traffic Areas:

- Maldhakka Chowk, Pune Station, RTO Chowk – avoid due to full/partial closures and slow movement
- Nehru Chowk, Tin Tofa Chowk, MG Road – subject to sudden closures depending on crowd size

No Parking Zones:

- Strictly enforced; vehicles without emergency clearance may be towed
- ◆ **Emergency Access:**
- Sassoon Hospital accessible via mortuary gate only; general entry restricted
- ◆ **Designated Parking for Visitors:**
- SSPMS Ground, near RTO
- Tukaram Shinde lot
- Sassoon Colony (near Dr. Ambedkar statue)

Key issues

- Severe traffic congestion due to road closures, diversions, and high footfall in key city areas.
- Restricted access to central business districts, hospitals (except emergencies), and public offices.
- Public transport overcrowding as many shift to trains and buses amid parking bans.
- Last-minute road closures depending on crowd size may cause confusion and delays.
- Noise and disruptions in residential areas along the procession routes.
- Limited parking availability, with towing likely in no-parking zones.

General Advisory

- Avoid non-essential travel through central areas and procession routes on April 13–14.
- Use public transport where possible; parking restrictions will be strictly enforced.
- You can expect significant delays and diversions; plan routes ahead and allow extra travel time.
- Stay updated via official traffic police social media handles for real-time changes.
- Emergency services access will remain operational—do not block emergency routes.
- Please don't leave vehicles unattended in key zones to prevent towing or fines.
- Residents near procession hotspots should stock up on essentials in advance.

Important Contact Details

- **Fire: 101**
- **Police: 100**
- **Child Helpline: 1098**
- **Traffic Helpline: 1073**
- **Ambulance: 102, 108**
- **Women Helpline: 1091, 181**
- **National Emergency Number: 112**
- **NDRF Helpline Number- +91-9711077372**
- **PCMC Contact Number- 1800-1030-222**

List of Hospitals

Pune-<https://pune.gov.in/public-utility-category/hospitals/>

Mumbai- <https://mumbaisuburban.gov.in/public-utility-category/hospitals/>

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