

Naive and nice Bengaluru will indeed be dead in 5 years, an emotional Facebook post says

A writer with All India Bakchod, and a Bengaluru resident for over 27 years, Devaiah Bopanna pens and emotional Facebook post after he came across reports saying his city will be dead in another five years. He agrees, but only because he thinks Bengaluru is a friendly, naive, nice guy!



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It all started when Deccan Herald published a story titled ['Bengaluru will be an unliveable, dead city in 5 years'](#) stating facts from a study conducted by the Indian Institute of Science (IISc). It talked about how the 'exponential', 'unbridled' and 'senseless' growth in real estate in the city will have direct and drastic effects on the environment and human health.

TV Ramachandra, IISc's Centre for Ecological Sciences Professor, was quoted in the story saying "What's the point earning better when the food that you eat is adulterated? As a result of unplanned urbanisation, Bengaluru is going to be an un-liveable and a dead city in the next five years," and he suggested decongestion as a necessary solution.

What followed was the obvious! Bengalurians who love the city went berserk on social media saying how untrue this news is, and Bengalurians who are fed up already shared their plans to leave the city. Amidst this, the Delhi-Mumbai-Chennai lovers made it a point to point out how they were always right about their city being better than Bengaluru.

Meanwhile, all leading dailies carried the news. But The News Minute had something different to say. Their headline said "[No, Bengaluru won't be 'dead' in 5 years, but things are pretty messed up for the city](#)" and pointed how Deccan Herald had published a story with a similar headline "[City may become unliveable in 5 years](#)" in 2010. They also shared a happy news that TV Ramachandra clarified that few statistics mentioned in latest DH report were wrong and the 5 year deadline was from the previous report, published in 2010.

On May 4, Devaiah Bopanna, a writer with All India Bakchod, [wrote an emotional post on Facebook](#) saying how Bengaluru will indeed be dead in 5 years **since all these years it behaved like a typical Bengalurian, friendly, naive and nice**. He says nice things never happen to nice guys.

A resident of Bengaluru for over 27 years, Devaiah then lists how the city took to its heart the resident's complaints and cry of discomfort and gave away all it had to make people happier. See what all he thinks Bengaluru did for Bengalurians and why he thinks the city will be dead -

When modern working class whined about the 23 degree Celsius temperature in the city, "it allowed people to build massive tech parks on its lakes" where the temperature was maintained at 22.5 degree Celsius.

When politicians complained they can't make money in the 'annoying' city, Bengaluru felt bad and gave away all its green cover for throwaway prices. Politicians inturn sold it to real estate mafia, who then, of course, sold it further for 100 times the price to Bengalurians itself!

When tech giant Infosys co-founder Narayana Murthy couldn't sleep at peace worrying about the productivity of his employees and how he could make them get to the slog-hole on time, Bengaluru gave away a road to Murthy to build a massive fly over resulting in traffic jams for a few years.

When Bengalurians cribbed they have no place to chill, Bengaluru took it on itself and "gave away a few more of its trees and lakes and modesty for malls and McDonald's."

But when these folks continued to whine they couldn't party the night out beyond 11.30 pm, Bengaluru listened and replied "shut the **** up". Devaiah says even nice guys lose it sometimes.

He ends his note saying Bengaluru is now weeping hearing his people say "Man, this city is going to be unlivable in the next 5 years" and not because he's upset they are thankless but because he feels he hasn't done enough yet - trees, lakes - he feels maybe his sacrifices weren't good enough.

Bengaluru feels he's let others down. He feels he is to be blamed.

Why?

"Because nice guys are like that. Nice guys don't always finish last, sometimes they are just finished."