APPENDIX - II

HAZARDS WORKING CONDITIONS – A

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Man falls 12 floors, suffers only leg fracture

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Mumbai: Even Jackie Chan would have found it tough to pull it off. A 28-year-old carpenter fell from the 12th floor of an under-construction building in Kurla early on Thursday morning, but survived with only a fractured leg and a few bruises on his head as evidence of his brush with death.

Amarendra Roy spoke to TOI less than 10 hours after his “second birth”. He was still in a daze but was sufficiently sane to explain how a net on the fourth floor broke his fall and saved his life. The net, too, gave way under his weight, he added, but it had done enough to ensure that he would be seeing his wife and kids again.

Roy, who hails from Gopalganj in Bihar, works as a carpenter in the build-

ing meant for rehabilitating slum dwellers staying on airport property. Finding space to stay is a great problem with a monthly income of Rs 3,000 in Mumbai and so he has been sleeping on the 12th floor of the under-construction building.

“I got up to relieve myself around 3am but, when I was returning, I tripped over a nail and lost my balance. There was no wall and I fell down. There was a net on the fourth floor but this, too, gave away because of my weight and I fell right down to the ground floor,” Roy recalled. He fell directly on a brick and fractured his left femur. A loud thud ensured that his colleagues arrived; they took him to Rajawadi Hospital in Ghatakpar East.

Doctors there were as surprised as Roy. “A person suffers intense fractures, bleeds and dies after falling from such a height. Roy can consider himself exceptionally fortunate to have survived with a fracture and bruises,” one of the doctors said.

The first thing that Roy did — when was in a position to talk — was call up his wife, Nirmala. “My wife, children Khushbu and Swapna and other relatives have already set off for Mumbai,” he said. Doctors have given Roy a very strong dose of painkillers but that has not proved enough for his pain. “Apart from a fracture, he has a superficial injury on the head. We will take his fitness test soon and operate on him,” Dr Atul Goyal, who was treating Roy said.

“A person falling from height suffers from multiple fractures, including in the chest and the head, and they lead to internal injuries and respiratory problems. The trauma of the free fall also causes breathing problems. Roy is very lucky to have fallen from a height of about 38 metres and escape,” he said.
HAZARDS WORKING CONDITIONS – B

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Hazards working conditions the new regarding an accident took place in Poona at the time of construction of building, three male labours were dead and a lady was injured. News in Daily Lokmat, Pune dated 20th June 2010.