While government plans to construct many such Skywalk all through the city Himanshu Verma tries to find out from the Mumbaikars themselves what they believe should be the amendment in the future skywalks.

It did not take even a year to ideate and complete the first ever skywalk of Mumbai. For the people who were struggling to communicate from Kalanagar to Bandra station this bridge came as a boon. The busy hour of 9-11 AM and 5-7 PM says it all. Raj Kumar a 27 year old HDFC employee and a daily commuter on skywalk says, “I am very happy with this initiative of the government and I am really looking towards for the other such skywalks in the city. As for now it is clean and beautiful and I hope it continues to be so”.

While many people like Raj are satisfied with the work, there are many who have got some suggestion for the future projects. Sudhakar Karbe a 50 year old government employee and a sky walker says “Its hardly been one and a half month and the tiles are breaking and people have started spitting so I suppose something should be done to avoid these things in the future projects”.

For some aged people this sky walking is not very easy. Mrs Mote a 58 year old housewife who very frequently uses skywalk says “Its too long and tiresome and not only this getting over it through the staircase is also a sweating work so I think for the upcoming skywalks there should be lift facility, some exit at places and should be made for shorter distances too”. You can’t say if lifts and exits in the middle are possible or not but for the people who get tired government has given a cheap alternative and that is chairs at regular interval.

At the time of inflation this bridge is definitely protecting the commuters from the previous money consuming transportation but at the time of monsoon this bridge is not having proper shading to protect the commuters from rain water. 55 year old Md. Sheikh says “There should be proper shading on the sides walls so that at the time of heavy rain people do not get wet. I suppose it should be completely covered from all the sides which will protect the commuters from rain and sun”.

As far as the cleanliness and security of the skywalk is concerned, authorities have allotted security guard on the whole bridge. P B Das 20 year old security guard on duty explains “We as guard of this bridge are supposed to keep the beggars, hawkers and small vehicles like cycles away. We also see if some one is not spitting and throwing waste on bridge. This has been appreciated by all”.

The sky walk is a good initiation but with a few suggestions it can be made more comfortable for the commuters.

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