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Letter of the Day 

Benefiting the builders’ lobby 

Omid S. De Souza, Barrister 

With reference to your interesting column titled [letter] (Herald, 22nd May), I would like to know more about the so-called builders’ lobby and the role it plays in the real estate industry in Goa. I have heard that the lobby is represented by some of the most powerful political figures in the state. Would you be kind enough to provide more details about the activities and influence of the builders’ lobby in Goa? 

I am particularly interested in understanding how the lobby influences government policies and decisions, and what measures can be taken to ensure transparency and accountability in the real estate sector. 

With regards, 
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Pathways of Wisdom 

By B. Somnath (1941) 

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