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## **Wipro to develop e-governance software for Corporation**

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KOCHI: The e-governance project of the Kochi Corporation has moved a step further with the civic authorities deciding to entrust the task of developing the software with Wipro.

Wipro had earlier prepared the project report for the Kochi Corporation.

According to officials, the company would depute its officials to various departments of the Corporation for assessing the software requirements. The assessment would take around four months to complete. This would be followed by software and hardware development, civic authorities said.

It would take at least one year for the e-governance system to become operational. With e-governance in place, payment of property tax, registration of birth and death, utility services, filing of grievances and suggestions and submission and approval of building plans would go online.

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The officials of the company will also train and support the officials of the Corporation for one year in running the system.

### Video conferencing

The authorities have set up video conferencing facilities at the Kochi unit of the Kerala Sustainable Urban Development Project (KSUDP). The KSUDP Kochi unit, operating from the Kochi Corporation office, is the nodal agency for the Mission projects in Kerala.

The facility had become operational in the Thiruvananthapuram office earlier.