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## **Rs. 12-crore project to re-lay road**

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Thiruvananthapuram: Reconstruction of the Poojappura-Thirumala road would begin on November 15, said Thiruvananthapuram East MLA V. Sivankutty.

Mr. Sivankutty said the project, estimated to cost Rs.12 crore, would be executed by the Kerala Sustainable Urban Development Project (KSUDP).

The reconstruction work would cover the stretch from Thirumala Junction to a point 60 metres from Poojappura Junction.

The road will be resurfaced along a width of nine metres. It will have paved footpaths of 1.5 to 2 metres width. Road markings and traffic signboards and streetlights will be installed. Mr. Sivankutty said the roadsides would be landscaped wherever land was available.

“Pipes or gutters will be provided along the sides for proper surface drainage.

The reconstructed road would conform to National Highway standards,” he said, after talking to KSUDP officials.

The work is expected to be completed in six months.

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The road was dug up to lay pipes under the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) water supply scheme. Citizens have been clamouring for steps to repair the badly-damaged stretch where several accidents involving two-wheeler riders and pedestrians have occurred.