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Civic Body to Establish 150 Reverse Osmosis Water Plants in City

The Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation (GHMC) has decided to set up 150 reverse osmosis water plants in the city by involving self help groups and slum level federations, Mayor M Majid Hussain has said.

Speaking to newsmen after the face-to-face programme here on Saturday, the Mayor along with GHMC commissioner Somesh Kumar said that one slum in each ward of the GHMC would set up the reverse osmosis water plant in the next three months at a cost of Rs 5 crore.

Apart from providing safe and pure portable drinking water to the slum dwellers through water cans at affordable price, this would help in providing jobs to about 1,000 youths.

The door-to-door water cans would be supplied on two wheelers by the youth.

By supplying packaged drinking water to the slum-dwellers, it would help check the spread of water-borne diseases more particularly among the children who are prone to the diseases, the commissioner said.

When asked about blocking of roads in front of the police stations by the seized vehicles, additional DCP (Traffic), S Satyanarayana admitted that seized vehicles are parked due to lack of space in the police stations. There is also constraint of space in the traffic police stations.

Efforts are being made to identify open spaces in the city to shift the seized vehicles and see that no seized vehicles are found on the main roads, he added.

In view of the last week fire accident at a timber depot in Musheerabad, the commissioner said that a survey is being carried out to identify hazardous businesses like timber depots, plastic units and others being carried out in the residential localities. Wherever such hazardous businesses are found, the GHMC would cancel the trade licenses of these units, he said.

As many as 38 complaints relating to town planning, drinking water problems and traffic were received during the face-to-face programme.