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## **Birth and death certificates go online**

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The Madurai Corporation on Wednesday launched online issue of birth and death certificates to the city residents.

The civic authorities promise that birth and death certificates will be issued in just 10 minutes. “If information provided by the applicant is correct, the procedure should be over in a few minutes,” Mayor V.V.Rajan Chellappa, who along with Commissioner R. Nanthagopal, inaugurated the facility, told reporters.

The certificates will be issued in Tamil for now.

Mr.Nanthagopal said the online system would be later extended to Corporation offices in all the four zones.

The system would enable the people to apply from anywhere through the Corporation website.

“This system will, in a way, put an end to the nuisance of touts and middlemen who fleece the people. It will bring in transparency,” he said, and urged the people to register birth of children within 21 days to get birth certificates.

Yasodha Mani, City Health Officer, said the Corporation’s birth and death certificate section on an average received about 150 applications a day.