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## **Proposal to tide over water crisis**

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Nagercoil: The district administration would prevent human and animal waste from mixing with water bodies such as ponds, lakes and rivers, based on the assessment made by the Tamil Nadu Water Supply and Drainage Board, the Public Works Department, panchayats and town panchayats, said Collector Rajendra Ratnoo.

Presiding over a district planning committee meeting here on Thursday, he said that a proposal of Rs1.53 crore to tide over the water crisis by fetching water from the Poigaidam to areas that fall under the Nagercoil municipality had been submitted to the State Government.

The project would be implemented with financial assistance from the NABARD. It would be implemented as soon as the Government approved the proposal. To stop the invasion of the animal into paddy fields and other farms along the dense forests, solar fences would be set up in this fiscal year. Funds for which had been already allotted by the Government.

The chairperson of district panchayat, Ajitha Mano Thankaraj, said that the structures that had been encroached upon near the Chittar Pattinamkal were being removed for the benefit of the farming community. Necessary steps had already been taken to distribute sports equipments to the people of in all panchayats and town panchayats. MP J. Helen Davidson and chairman of Nagercoil Municipal council, Revankil, participated.