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## **Villupuram bus stand to get drainage system**

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VILLUPURAM: A drainage system will be put in place in the main bus stand here before the end of August. For the purpose, a sum of Rs.1.55 crore has been earmarked, according to C.Kathiravan, Collector In-charge.

In a statement issued here Mr.Kathiravan stated that during rainy season water from the surrounding areas used to flow into the bus stand, choking the drainage system.

The water stagnation in the bus stand that would last many days caused hardships to the commuters. Therefore, Higher Education Minister K.Ponmudy took up the issue with Chief Minister M.Karunanidhi and Deputy Chief Minister M.K.Stalin and got a sum of Rs.1.25 crore sanctioned for the execution of a new drainage project. The Villupuram Municipality had contributed Rs.30 lakh as its share for the project.

It is jointly executed by the civic body and the Tamil Nadu Water and Drainage Board.

Work on laying of 2.5 km-long drainage pipeline will begin within a fortnight and will be completed by August-end, Mr.Kathiravan added.