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Underground cables to be moved for road work

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Telecom service providers and cable TV operators will soon make changes to existing underground infrastructure to facilitate construction of cement concrete roads in the city.

The Chennai Corporation will start laying cement concrete roads on 69 stretches shortly. Next week, the Corporation council is likely to pass a resolution on commencing the work, which has been divided into seven packages, said an official of the Corporation.

Telecom service providers and cable TV operators met with Chennai Corporation officials on Wednesday to sort out issues pertaining to the removal of cables and ducting of underground fibre optic cables. As many as 170 roads are likely to be converted into cement concrete roads in the first phase.

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"The roads will have 1.5 feet for ducting. All telecom service providers will have to increase the height of manholes. We will not delay the Corporation's work on cement concrete roads. This will also facilitate better service to customers," said Radhakrishna Vittaldev, representative of telecom service providers in the city.