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Energy generation from waste in Gobi Municipality soon

The Gobichettipalayam Municipality that is into construction of a bio-methanisation plant envisaging energy generation using wastes generated from fruit and vegetable markets has completed nearly 70 per cent of the works.

In all likelihood, the innovative initiative for solid waste management will be operational by December, G. Dhanalakshmi. Commissioner of Gobi Municipality, said.

Machineries have been erected and a dry run of biogas generation would be carried out before formal commissioning, the Commissioner said. The local body intends to utilise the energy generated at the plant for running the motor and fulfilling lighting requirements at the compost yard.

The scope for bottling the gas and selling it to the public, in case of excess production, would also be explored, Ms. Dhanalakshmi said.

In the meantime, the Municipality is looking at the possibility of shifting the compost yard to another location since the 1.5 acre space at the existing spot is too small for the burgeoning population, Ms. Dhanalakshmi said.