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Civic body gets 3 ISO certifications

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Chennai, July 28: For the first time in its history, Chennai corporation has bagged three ISO 9001: 2008 certifications, two for its existing modern slaughterhouse facilities at Saidapet and Villivakkam and the third one for its stores department, corporation commissioner Rajesh Lakhoni told Deccan Chronicle.

Initially, the firm requested to make certain modifications and corrections in the system to ensure that the facilities were maintained as per ISO standards. The certificate would be valid for a period of three years. The consultants, Sri Panickar Management Consultants (SPMC), Chromepet, had studied the system of functioning since January, the commissioner added.

The consultants would periodically conduct checks to study the ISO-certified facilities and necessary improvements will be taken up as per their recommendations, the commissioner added. According

to civic sources, the civic body's grievance redressal helpline (1913) system is also likely to be subjected to ISO certification shortly.

Meanwhile, mayor M. Subramanian in a statement said the renovation of historical Ripon Buildings, at an estimated cost of Rs 6.48 crore, would be completed in a span of two years. The project will be funded under the Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission, the statement said.