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Civic body gears up to meet floods

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Chennai, July 29: Chennai Corporation is gearing up for the monsoon and a high level meeting comprising various government departments will be held at the Ripon Buildings soon to discuss the monsoon strategy, mayor M. Subramanian said a press conference.

The objective of the meeting is to form a coordination committee comprising corporation and other government officials to execute the annual monsoon plan. Issues related to storm water drains, road repair, desilting of canals, accommodating rain hit victims, usage of boats in flood hit areas will be discussed.

In due course of time the health department will fan out its staff across the city to prevent outbreaks of epidemics. Spraying of larvicides and fumigation process will be intensified with the onset of monsoon, the mayor said.

According to sources, every year a similar committee will be formed to execute the monsoon arrangements in the city.