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Corporation to rope in students

Coimbatore Corporation has decided to invite students to intern in the Swachh Bharat programme.

Corporation Commissioner K. Vijayakarhikeyan said that the plan to invite students was at a very preliminary stage and that the civic body was yet to even send out letter of internship offers to colleges.

Only based on the response from colleges, students would the civic body decide on the numbers it needed, quantum of stipend, if any, to be paid and where to fit in the students.

But the broad objective was to use the students as an interface between the public - the civic could use them to create awareness among the public on the Swachh Bharat mobile app, elicit problems in the ward, and get feedback on action taken.

Mr. Vijayakarhikeyan, however, clarified that that the initiative was not suggested by the Union Government.

Notice served

Coimbatore Corporation has served notices on a few engineers for dereliction of duty.

Sources said that five of them involved in the model roads project had shown poor results.

Soon after starting the work on D.B. Road, the civic body did not show progress.

The sources also said that the corporation had reminded a few utility service providers to pay the money to shift their lines/wires/poles/boxes so as to implement the model roads project.