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Work on Sewage Treatment Plant to resume soon

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To come up at Nanjundapuram in an year

At an urgent meeting of the Council on Monday, the Corporation decided to spend an additional Rs. 22.96 crore to resume the construction of the sewage treatment plant at Nanjundapuram.

A resolution passed by the Council said that the additional expenditure was to meet the escalation in cost of materials and put in place mechanisms mandated by the Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board.

The project work was awarded to Hindustan Dorr Oliver Limited, Mumbai, on May 05, 2008. It was to be completed in 18 months.

Following objections raised by those living close to the project site and they moving the court, work came to a halt on April 28, 2009.

The TNPCB gave the 'Consent to Establish' order on October 25, 2012.

Board's stipulations

The board asked the Corporation to modify two C-Tech Basins, raise the height of the compound wall, establish an odour mitigation system, increase the capacity of the diesel generator to 1,250 KVA, and establish a link in such a manner that the board's head office in Chennai was able to monitor the plant's functioning.

The Mumbai-based company said that it would require the remaining Rs. 15.83 crore and an additional Rs. 14.29 crore to put in place the new facilities as mandated by the TNPCB and another Rs. 8.67 crore to meet the price difference.

The resolution said that the Corporation had decided to meet the cost from its General Fund and ask the company to complete the project in a year's time.