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Madurai corporation to absorb best practices from Chennai, Indore

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MADURAI: Madurai City Corporation has decided to chalk out an integrated scheme for clean city based on the best practices followed in Chennai and Indore city corporations. The scheme will be implemented in the central zone on a pilot basis and would be extended to all the zones based on the results of the pilot project. The integrated project would cover roads, bus stations, commercial establishments, residential areas and markets. In her budget speech recently, mayor V Indirani Ponvasanth said that the solid waste management has improved significantly in the city during the last one year. The city corporation collects as much as 750 to 850 tonnes of garbage from the city limits on a daily basis. It was 500 to 600 tonnes of garbage per day earlier.

The house-to-house collection is carried out in 51 wards as of now. The civic body will extend this to all 100 wards in a period of 15 months, the mayor said. The degradable solid waste will be converted into organic manure, she added.

Corporation commissioner Dr K P Karthikeyan said that a team from the corporation went to Chennai to study their waste handling methods.

They had a detailed video-conference to understand how Indore handles solid waste management. “We have

decided to adopt the best practices of these two city corporations on solid waste management like decentralized waste management. We will use these methods in our integrated scheme and ensure that the city turns tidy," he said.