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Revised master plan for Kurnool mooted

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The Town and Country planning department mooted revision of Master Plan of Kurnool city here on Tuesday. Addressing a meeting of Collector C. Sudharsan Reddy, officials and other stakeholders, Director of Country Planning P. Timma Reddy said the planning was being done keeping in view the requirements of the city till 2030. The previous plan which was prepared in 1978 with an area of 47.17 sq km got outdated and needed immediate revision.

He said the new plan creates the city with 213 sq km with provision for wide roads of 60 ft, 80 ft and 120 ft. Mr. Reddy emphasised that the planning was being done with utmost care as three sensitive water bodies were flowing through the city- Tungabhadra river, Hundri river and KC canal. He expressed that the encroachments were found on a large scale along the water bodies. The distance of 100 meters from the water body was maintained nowhere.

He said the road network across the Hundri river was inadequate and new roads were proposed to Collectorate from Anand Threate and Kids World Park and along the KC canal bund from Johrapuram.

He called upon various government departments to transfer the open lands to the municipal corporation for proper protection and maintenance. He sought suggestions from the Traffic and Fire wings for incorporating the crucial changes if needed.

Collector said the development of the city in future depended upon the planning now. He asked officials of various departments to actively involve in the preparation of the plan. The Master Plan was being prepared by AARVEE Associates, represented by Ramesh.