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## BWSSB's theme park inaugurated

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The Bangalore Water Supply and Sewerage Board's (BWSSB) Sir M. Visveswaraiah Rainwater Harvesting Theme Park was inaugurated here on Monday. With this theme park, the BWSSB hopes to raise awareness about rainwater harvesting

Minister for Transport and Home R. Ashok, who inaugurated the park, urged people to conserve water. "Every drop is precious as Cauvery water is being pumped from a distance of 120 km to the city. Water must be used judiciously," he said. Although the State Government has made rainwater harvesting mandatory, only 24,000 of the 56,000 targeted households in the city have adopted it so far.

The theme park has 27 demonstrations on rainwater harvesting and numerous models that explain the usage and importance of water, all with a special focus on water conservation.

Developed on a two-acre land in Jayanagar at a cost of Rs. 3 crore, the park is the first of its kind in the country, BWSSB chairperson P.B. Ramamurthy said.