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Drinking water supply to be resumed today

Drinking water supply in the city, which was disrupted following the charging and commissioning of newly-laid pipelines, will be resumed on Tuesday.

The water supply to various parts of the city had remained disrupted since December 3. Water authority officials informed the council meeting held on Monday that supply would be resumed by Tuesday morning. Among the areas affected were Ayyanthole, Koorkenchery, Vilvattam, Ollukkara, Adattu, Arimbur, Manalur and Nadathara.

The supply would be normalised in a week, water authority officials said. The authority had given prior information about supply being affected and the corporation had made alternative arrangements by distributing water to the affected areas in lorries. At the council meeting, some councillors raised protests, alleging that water supply via lorries had not reached several areas.

Mayor Rajan Pallan said steps would be taken to open more Akshaya centres within the corporation limit. He denied the allegation raised by councillor John Kanjirathingal that illegal construction was going on in the corporation limits. The Mayor challenged Mr. Kanjirathingal to furnish evidence to prove his allegation.

No new autorickshaw stand was permitted in the city, the Mayor said in reply to councillor Lally James' question. The demand for new auto-taxi parking stands was under the consideration of the Urban Planning Standing Committee, he said.