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Corporators seek protection of Sewage Treatment Plants

ALLAHABAD: A delegation of corporators met additional municipal commissioner of Allahabad Municipal Corporation and urged him to undertake proactive measures to protect the Sewage Treatment Plants (STPs) from floods. They also demanded proper repair of pumps at the pumping station and handed over a memorandum in this connection.

Leading the delegation, former corporator and social activist Kamlesh Singh said, "A major portion of the STP at Rasoolabad (Mehdauri) has been submerged in water due to the rising waters in river Ganga and the STP at Salori is also in danger. Therefore, urgent steps should be taken to protect the STPs."

He also pointed out that former municipal commissioner Munni Lal Pandey and former district magistrate Sanjay Prasad has raised some objections to the construction of the STPs but they were ignored. He said that he suggested that the flood of 1978 should be kept in mind while undertaking construction of the STPs but all the suggestions were not heeded to.

He had also sought information regarding the construction of the STP at Rassolabad in Mehdauri where it was constructed on the banks of the river. He pointed out that during flood, it would be very difficult to protect the STP from the harsh water

currents of the flood. However, project manager of the Jal Nigam replied that a protective ring bandh has been constructed around the STP which will protect the STP from the flood.