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## Property tax may go up

The Chennai Corporation is planning to link property tax with the current guideline values, instead of old base rates finalised in 1998. This is likely to increase the property tax rates across the city.

Following complaints from residents pertaining to anomalies and inconsistencies in the base rates, the civic body is planning to request the State government to amend the Chennai City Municipal Corporation Act to revise the property tax every year based on current guideline values.

The civic body continues to calculate property tax, based on the annual rental value of a property and on base rates fixed 16 years ago.