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e-tendering process introduced

An initiative by Corporation to ensure transparency

MADURAI: The Corporation has introduced e-tendering process that would provide more transparency in floating tenders related to local body works.

In a statement, Corporation Commissioner (in-charge) K. Sakthivel said that e-tender would clear apprehensions of people over participating in the conventional tender process. People could download the tender forms from their residences or offices for any part of the work without having to come to the Corporation office. The tender form could be filed online.

Bid opening process

The e-tenders would be opened in front of all the officials concerned. "Even if one of the officials is involved in the e-tendering process, the bids could not be opened. Hence it ensures additional safeguards to the bidders," he said.

The contractors would be issued e-tokens after their signatures are registered with National Informatics Centre, Tata Consultancy and Sify. Twenty one Corporation officials, including Assistant Commissioners, Executive Engineers, and Assistant Executive Engineers have been provided with e-tokens.

The Corporation would make use of e-tendering process to award works exceeding Rs. 10 lakh, Mr. Sakthivel said.

