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Use of plastic covers, cups banned

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Order to take effect from September 10

“Stagnation of drainage water owing to the blocks caused by plastic materials caused diseases”

VELLORE: The Vellore Corporation has banned the use of disposable plastic cups and plastic covers in hotels, tea and coffee stalls, shops and marriage halls, with effect from September 10 in order to prevent the blocking of drainage channels due to the throwing of plastic covers and cups in them and the littering of public places with such plastic materials, P. Karthikeyan, Mayor, announced at the monthly meeting of the Corporation council here on Monday.

Earlier, councillors pointed out that the stagnation of drainage water in the channels owing to their blocking by plastic materials caused diseases. Therefore they urged the Corporation to ban the use of plastic materials in hotels, tea stalls and shops as has been done in various other Corporations and municipalities in the State.

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Mr. Karthikeyan said that notices would be served on hotels, tea and coffee stalls and shops including grocery shops and departmental stores to make alternative arrangements for sale of beverages and packing of grocery items before September 10. Hotels and tea and coffee stalls would be asked to use glass tumblers and paper cups instead of plastic cups, while the sale of plastic cups would be banned from September 10 in order to prevent their use in hotels, tea and coffee stalls, marriage halls and houses, he said.