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Corporation begins cleaning city roads

Works taken up after complaints by road users

The Coimbatore Corporation has begun cleaning roads for the benefit of motorists ahead of the monsoon.

On Wednesday morning, following instructions from Mayor P. Rajkumar, the civic body workers started cleaning Sathyamangalam Road, Nanjappa Road, Mettupalayam Road, Palakkad Road and Avanashi Road.

Mr. Rajkumar said that he has asked the officials to clean the slush on roadsides and sand that had gathered on the foot of the medians and barricades.

This was after complaints from road users that the wet sand and slush made driving difficult and dry sand dust was causing trouble to two-wheeler riders.

Based on the complaints, he had instructed the officials concerned to pool in workers in the nearby wards to clean the roads – the Sathyamangalam Road was cleaned near the Textool Bridge, the Nanjappa Road near the bus stands, the Mettupalayam Road near Chinthamani Junction, the Palakkad Road near the police station there and the Avanashi Road near Dhandumariamman Temple. The officials also cleaned the North Coimbatore flyover.

Mr. Rajkumar said that in the coming days, the conservancy workers would continue to clean the aforementioned roads and also other busy roads in the city.

The removal of sand was not only to help the road users but also ensure easy discharge of rainwater into drains.

As part of the monsoon-preparedness initiative, the Mayor had also asked officials in all the five zones to prepare a list of roads that needed to be repaired.

The instruction was given two days ago and officials were on the job of preparing the list.

Mr. Rajkumar said that the Corporation would do the work even if the rains continued.

Once the rains stopped, the civic body would take up repairing the damaged roads.