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The work will be taken up at a cost of Rs. 30 crore: Minister

The State government will take up repair and renovation work at 10,000 slum board tenements at a cost of Rs 30 crore, Minister for Housing and Urban Development R. Vaithilingam announced in the Assembly on Tuesday.

Presenting the demands for grants for his Department, Mr Vaithilingam said the tenements were located in Chennai, Coimbatore, Tiruchi, Madurai, Salem, Tirunelveli, Tuticorin, Erode and Karur districts.

The Housing and Urban Development department would expand the Composite Local Planning Areas. It would ensure planned development for the surrounding areas.

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Such a plan would help while making a comprehensive project at a later stage, he said.

A Land Use Information System would be created by the department. Through the system, one could learn the permissible development that can be taken up in a plot and related information could be obtained from the system.

A study on development along the outer ring road would be taken up on the Vandalur – Minjur road, which stretches for a distance of 63 km, Mr Vaithilingam said. The multiplication of vehicles in the city and its suburbs had resulted in increased congestion. So it was proposed to take up a 'Multi-modal Transport Integration Study'.

The study would be taken up by the Chennai Metropolitan Development Authority, he said. The department will provide a grant of Rs 10 lakh to various local bodies in the State under 'Park Development'.

A total of 20 parks across the State would be developed under this, he said.

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