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## Coimbatore corporation removes invasive species



COIMBATORE: The corporation of Coimbatore plans to remove <u>invasive plant species</u> from the <u>tank bunds</u> and reserve sites located in the city limits before the onset of Monsoon, this year. On Wednesday, the work began at a reserve site in

Veerakeralam

where invasive species were removed from a 40 cent park site.

"We have noticed that over the years, invasive species have taken over the tank bunds and have caused huge damage to the ecology. With the state facing a drought and the city staring at the same, we wanted to take up some steps to preserve the ecology of the region," said a town planning wing officer.

City corporation commissioner, K Vijayakarthikeyan said that

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they had already rolled out the plan. "We are currently enumerating the data on the number of such trees and bushes. After that we will begin the drive and use machinery to remove these species," he said.