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Draft delimitation proposal published **Claims and objections can be filed before 5.45 p.m. on** **January 29, says Corporation official**

Officers of Greater Chennai Corporation published the draft delimitation proposal for the city on Thursday.

The copies of the proposal will be available for the public in all zonal offices of the Chennai Corporation.

After studying the draft, residents, political party representatives and all members of the civil society are requested to submit claims and objections pertaining to the proposal before 5.45 p.m. on January 29.

“Three regional deputy commissioners have been designated as delimitation authorities for each of the three regions. Claims and objections have to be submitted to these officials,” said an official of the Chennai Corporation.

Residents can meet the delimitation authority of their region to submit claims and objections or send them by post to the regional offices of the Corporation.

The address for the Chennai Corporation north regional office is: Regional Deputy Commissioner, Chennai Corporation north regional office, Basin Bridge Road, Old Washermenpet, Chennai 600021.

The address for the central regional office is: Regional Deputy Commissioner, Chennai Corporation central regional office, Second Cross Street, Pulla Avenue, Shenoy Nagar, Chennai 600030.

Those in the southern region can send in their inputs to: Regional Deputy Commissioner, Chennai Corporation south regional office, 115, Dr. Muthulakshmi Road, Adyar, Chennai 600020. The proposal has been made based on different population criteria for different levels of urbanisation and data from the 2011 Census.

In a bid to avoid the increase in the number of councillors in

core city from 107 to 134 and a decrease in number of councillors in added areas from 93 to 66, officials have adopted a different method. Each of the wards in Manali and Madhavaram will have 15,000 people. Wards in Tiruvottiyur, Alandur, Perungudi and Sholinganallur will have 20,000 people. Wards in Ambattur and Valasaravakkam will have 30,000 people. Wards in the core city — Tondiarpet, Royapuram, Thiru-Vi-Ka-Nagar, Anna Nagar, Teynampet, Kodambakkam and Adyar— will have 43,000 people.

“Most political parties have agreed with the different population approach, which has been proved successful,” said an official.

The final decision will be made after studying all aspects of the claims and objections.