

Proceedings of the Public Consultation on the formation of two more Municipal Corporations held on 22.11.2008 at Ambattur.

The Second public consultation was held on 22.11.2008 at H.P.M Paradise Kalyanamahal, No.1, Mahaveer Garden, M.T.H.Road, Ambattur, Chennai 600 053. Vice Chairman, CMDA, welcomed the gathering and explained the main objectives and the factors to be considered for formation of new corporations. V.C invited suggestions from the people present. They were also informed that suggestions could be given in writing or sent by post or through e-mail on or before 31.12.2008.

2. Thiru. P.Ranganathan, MLA, Villivakkam Constituency, Thiru. D. Sudharsanam, MLA, Poonamallee Constituency, Thiru.K.N.Sekar, Chairman, Ambattur Municipality, Thiru.D.Shanmugam, Chairman, Madhavaram Municipality, Thiru. K.Shanmugam, Chairman, Madhuravoyal Municipality, Thiru.Victory Mohan, Chairman, Avadi Municipality, Thiru. K.Neelagandan, Vice Chairman, Ambattur Municipality and other elected representatives from Municipalities, Town Panchayats, and Village Panchayats, and a large number of people attended the public consultation meet.

1. Thiru.K.N.Sekar, Chairman, Ambattur Municipality welcomed the proposal of formation of two more new municipal corporations to improve the basic infrastructure facilities.
2. Thiru. P. Ranganathan, MLA, Villivakkam Constituency stated that Industrial Estate was developed at Ambattur in the year 1961 by SIDCO, and there after small, medium, large scale industries and IT industries have been established. In order to cope with the industrial developments and to improve the Traffic and Transportation and other infrastructure facilities the formation of new corporation is necessary. He suggested to include all areas of the Villivakkam Constituency in the new Municipal Corporation. He stated that garbage dumping sites are not available for most of local bodies and the formation of new Corporations will solve the problem.
3. Thiru. D. Sudharsanam, MLA, Poonamallee Constituency stated that no land is available in the Chennai city for further developments. Middle and lower income group people are residing in the suburban areas and in future migrants have also to

be accommodated only in the suburban areas. He welcomed the formation of the new corporation and suggested that considering the large extent, in the north instead of one Chennai-Ambattur Corporation three corporations as follows may be constituted: Hence the formation of north Chennai Corporation alone will be too large and suggested to delineate three more new corporations comprising the following.

i) Thiruvottiyur Municipal Corporation (Thiruvottiyur Ennore, Manali, and Madhavaram areas)

ii) Ambattur Municipal Corporation (areas from Ambattur to Porur)

iii) Avadi Municipal Corporation (areas of Avadi to Thirunindravur)

4. Thiru.Victory Mohan, Chairman, Avadi Municipality suggested stated that Avadi is one of large municipal areas and hence Avadi and its surrounding areas may be made as a separate Municipal corporation with headquarters at Avadi.
5. Thiru.D.Shanmugam, Chairman, Madhavaram Municipality, welcomed the proposal of new corporations and inclusion of his municipality in the new corporation
6. Thiru. K.Neelagandan,Vice Chairman, Ambattur Municipality welcomed the proposal and suggested to name the new corporations as Chennai South and Chennai North instead of Chennai-Tambaram and Chennai-Ambattur.
7. Thiru. Chandrasekar, Syndicate colony, Annanagar west and Thiru. Radhakrishnan Platform walkers Association welcomed the proposal of new corporations and suggested that as tax payers they have to be provided with additional infrastructure facilities including the pedestrian safety by removing the encroachments in the platforms.
8. Thiru. Hari Manoharan, Sekkadu expressed his fear that the agricultural activities will become extinct if the areas around Avadi is added with the Municipal corporation and there is no alternative arrangements for the employment of farmers and hence he opposed the proposal of inclusion the above said area with the new Municipal corporation. He suggested that the maps may also be displayed in Tamil (He has clarified that in the web site of CMDA, the whole presentation is made available in Tamil for public view and he can refer the same).

9. Thiru. N.Sundar, Advocate, Ambattur welcomed the proposal of new corporation.
10. Thiru. Nallathambi, Ambattur welcomed the proposal of new corporations and stated that the extent of new corporation is quite large and he suggested to minimise the area for better management.
11. Thiru.V.Rajagopal, Mogappair Resident's Association welcomed the proposal and suggested to include Moggappair in the Chennai Corporation.
12. Thiru. Shanmugavadivu, Thiru. Balu, Thiru. Suresh Venkata puram resident's welfare Association, Thiru. Pradeep Kumar, (Ambattur O.T), Thiru. Kumar, (Thirumullaivoyal), Thiru. Bharathi, (Ambattur), Thiru. Neelakandan, (Madhavaram), Thiru.V.Thirumal (Puzhal Panchayat Union President), Thiru Vijayakumar, (Pallikuppam), Thiru Venkatesan, (Elango nagar), Thiru Ramasamy, (Nemilichery), Thiru Anbalagan, (Ambattur), Thiru Gunasekaran, (Thiruverkadu), Thiru K.Elumalai, (Mathur), welcomed the proposal and requested to implement the proposal as soon as possible for better infrastructure facilities.
13. Thiru.Dhilip, Pallikaranai advocated for the Alternative V and stated that the proposed new corporations should not be named as Ambattur and Tambaram. He further stated that Chennai Airport may be included in the Chennai City and all the three corporations may be made as a single revenue district.
14. Thiru.M.D.Mohan, Ramapuram, and Thiru.A.Kumar Ramapuram suggested to form 5 new Municipal Corporations and Ramapuram may be added with Chennai Coporation.
15. Thiru.Vellaichamy, Ward member, Nerkundram welcomed the proposal and suggested to form the new corporations as Chennai South and Chennai North.
16. Thiru. Devendra kumar, Councillor Ambattur municipality, suggested to upgrade the Ambattur Munipality as a separate Municipal Corporation and the Mayor may be appointed from one of the Councillors.
17. Thiru. Palani, ward member, Avadi Municipality, suggested to form the Avadi and the areas around as a separate Municipal Corporation.
18. Thiru Palani, Palavedu Panchayat stated that the public are satisfied with the present facilities available in their area and hence the villages of Alanthur and Pakkam need not be included in the new municipal corporation.
19. Thiru K.Mohan, Ambattur, Merchants' Association stated that the Tax should not be increased after formation of new corporation.

20. Thiru.Balasubramaniam, Ambattur suggested that the benefits of to form new corporations may be explained to the public.
21. Thiru.Santhanam, Ambattur suggested forming the new corporations early without any delay.
22. Thiru K.Thangasivam, 6th ward member, Puzhal Panchayat Union welcomed the proposal.
23. Thiru. Shankar member Villvakkam Panchayat union suggested to include all the 17 panchayats falling under the Villvakkam Panchayat Union with the Ambattur Municipal Corporation and suggested to protect the Puzhal lake by providing a retaining wall around the lake.
24. Thiru Anbalagan. Puzhal Town Panchayat suggested to name the new Municipal Corporation as Puzhal Municipal Corporation.
25. Thiru Thukkaram, Councillor, Madhavaram Municipality welcomed the proposal and requested that a better access to their area provided since they depend more on the milk colony roads which are in very poor condition.
26. SRB colony Welfare Association, Korattur welcomed the proposal and wanted to add Ward No. 4, Korattur with the Chennai Corporation.
27. Thiru Baba Natarajan, Ayyappakkam Panchayat union welcomed the proposal of new corporations and wanted to include Ayyappakkam Housing Board area with the new coporation.
28. Thiru. Sakthivel, Ambattur Municipal Council member, suggested to form the new Municipal Corporation without any further delay.

The Public Consultation meeting came to a close at 1.15 p.m. In the afternoon session from 2.00 to 5.00 p.m., the public submitted their written suggestions. There were totally about 47 written suggestions received during the public consultation meet at Ambattur. All these suggestions put forth will be duly considered by the Committee before making final recommendations to the Government.