

Proceedings of the Public Consultation on the formation of two more Municipal Corporations held on 15.11.2008 at Tambaram.

The first public consultation was held on 15.11.2008 at T.G.P.Kalyanamandapam, Rajaji Hall, Tambaram, Chennai 600 045. 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.S.R.Raja, MLA, Tambaram Constituency, Thiru. Lion E.Mani, Chairman, Tambaram Municipality, Thiru.Elumalai, Chairman, St.Thomas Mount Panchayat Union, Thiru.E.Karunanidhi, Chairman, Pallavaram Municipality, Thiru. D.Kamaraj, Vice Chairman, Tambaram 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.S.R.Raja, MLA, Tambaram Constituency welcomed the proposal of formation of two more new municipal corporations. Since a large number of developments are taking place in and around Tambaram, Tambaram may be the headquarters for the Corporation in south.
2. Thiru.Lion E.Mani, Chairman, Tambaram Municipality welcomed the proposal and suggested that Kulappakkam, Manivakkam, and the villages from Perungudi to Uthandi may be added to Tambaram Corporation.
3. Tmt. Poongodi, Kovur Town Panchayat (14th ward member) opposed the proposal of inclusion of Kovur in the new Corporation.
4. Thiru.V.Santhanam, (People Awareness Centre) welcomed the proposal and suggested that the headquarters of the proposed Corporation may be located at Pallavaram and requested to distribute the hard copies of the power point presentation and to conduct public consultation meetings in some more places.

5. Thiru.V.RamaRao, Secretary, Lakshmi Nagar Association suggested that Alandur may be merged with the Chennai Corporation, the details of the proposed Municipal Corporations may be uploaded in the web-site and the meetings conducted at many places.
6. Chairman of the Perungalathur Town Panchayat stated that their Panchayat may not be included in the new corporation to be formed.
7. Thiru.Manoharan, Vice Chairman, St.Thomas Mount Panchayat Union suggested that Sholinganallur legislative assembly constituency area may be added to the present Chennai city corporation area.
8. Thiru Harikrishnan, Madipakkam Village Panchayat Ward member suggested that Madipakkam may be merged with the Chennai Corporation as it is very close to Chennai city.
9. Madipakkam Village Panchayat President stated that Madipakkam is adjoining Velachery, and hence it is to be added to the Chennai Corporation area.
10. Thiru. Rajabathar stated that as Tambaram is entry point to Chennai, it may be made as headquarters for the new corporation in south.
11. Alandur Municipality, 6th ward member wanted to include Alandur in the Chennai Corporation since it is located adjacent to the Chennai City.
12. The representative of Perungalathur residents suggested that Perungalathur may be upgraded as a Municipality.
13. Aravind Ramesh, Chairman, Sholinganallur Town Panchayat suggested that Sholinganallur Town Panchayat may be upgraded as Municipality or else Sholinganallur may be made as headquarters for the new corporation considering the I.T highway and other massive IT developments, and the revenue generated in that area.
14. Thiru. Paul Raj, Durga Nagar Residents Welfare Association, M.Chezhian, Tambaram Municipality councillor, M.Muthukrishnan, Ex-councillor Tambaram Municipality,

Tmt.Rita, Tambaram Women's Association President, S.Indiran, Tambaram Municipality councilor, Thiru. Sachidanandam, Toriapakkam, Thiru. L.S.Ethiraj, Pallikaranai, Thiru.Mahalingam, Ex-Member, Tambaram Municipality, Thiru.Rajendran, Peerkankaranai T.P, Thiru.Thangarasu, Retired Thashildar, Perungalathur, Thiru Velmurugan, Maduraipakkam Panchayat president and Thiru Nagaraja, Ex President of Sembakkam Town Panchayat welcomed the proposal and suggested that their area be added to the Tambaram M.C for better infrastructure facilities including Traffic and Transportation improvements.

15. Thiru Jayaram, Madipakkam Welfare Association and Dharmaraj, Resident of Madipakkam suggested that Madipakkam be included in the Chennai City since it is contiguous to the city.
16. Thiru M.Murugan, Pallikaranai Panchayat ward member suggested merging Pallikaranai with the Chennai City Corporation since it is contiguous to the city.
17. Thiru Rangasamy, Manapakkam village suggested uploading the details of the new Municipal Corporations in the web-site both in English and Tamil, and also the booklets containing the details of the proposal to be distributed.
18. Neelangarai Panchayat President welcomed the proposal of new corporations and suggested addition of Neelangarai, Kottivakkam, Plavakkam to the Tambaram M.C
19. Jagadeesan, Nedunkundram Panchayat union member suggested inclusion of Nedunkundram and Kulapakkam in the Tamabaram Municipal Corporation.
20. Thiru S.Sekar, Nandambakkam Town Panchayat President stated that Nandambakkam may be included in the Chennai City
21. Thiru.M.D.Mohan, Ramapuram suggested to form 5 Municipal Corporations instead of 3.
22. Thiru.S.Selvaraj, MGR Nagar Residents Welfare Association, Pallikaranai, suggested that Pallikaranai may be added to Tambaram Municipal Corporation.
23. Thiru.V.Govindan, Mugalivakkam Village Panchayat President suggested adding Mugalivakkam to the Corporation to which Alandur also is to be added.

24. Thiru.Subramani, Naduveerappattu Panchayat Union stated that the solid waste generated from the Tambaram Municipality area is dumped in their village and he suggested retaining their Panchayat as it is without adding to any new Corporation Area.
25. Thiru.P.A.Jeyachandran, Chairman, Ullagaram-Pzhithivakkam Municipality suggested to form only one new corporation merging all the rest of the area in CMA or to add the remaining Chennai Metropolitan Area with the existing Chennai City Corporation.
26. Chairman Pallavaram Municipality suggested that considering the historical importance and infrastructure available, Pallavaram may be made as headquarters for the new corporation.
27. Thiru Parthiban, Panaiyur has suggested that Sholinganallur may be added to Chennai City Corporation.
28. Thiru Kousigan, Polichalur wanted Polichalur to be added to Tambaram Corporation.
29. Thiru N.Mahalingam, Ex.Councillor, Moulivakkam stated that people will be represented by more number of councillors / ward members if Panchayats / Municipalities continuance is not a justification for not forming new corporations. Considering urbanisation trends new corporations are required. He welcomed the proposal to form new corporations.
30. Thiru Manoharan, Chairman, Kundrathur Panchayat Union welcomed the proposal to form Tambaram Corporation and suggestion inclusion of Kundrathur Panchayat Union areas within it. He requested that the list of villages to be added from the Kundrathur Panchayat Union may be stated so that he can examine and give suggestions. Incidentally he has also suggested that additional villages in the Kundrathur Panchayat Union may be added to Chennai Metropolitan Area.
31. Thiru A.Kumar, Pasumai Thayagam suggested that Ramapuram may be added to Chennai Corporation and considering the large extent in the rest of the Chennai Metropolitan Area 5 corporations may be formed.

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 110 written suggestions received during the public consultation meet

at Tambaram. All these suggestions put forth will be duly considered before making final recommendations by the Committee to the Government.