

## South corporation to consult experts to tackle garbage problem

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**NEW DELHI:** In an attempt to better its garbage disposal mechanism, the south Delhi municipal corporation has decided to consult its potential stakeholders, including officials, experts and concessionaires.

The civic body has been trying to find an implementable solution to piling up of garbage in many corners of the city, overflowing landfill sites and unfinished waste-to-energy plants.

An official from the department of environment manage-

ment (DEMS) of the corporation told Hindustan Times of an ambitious plan involving “suitable private players of national and international repute” to improve the sanitation of areas under its jurisdiction.

“IPE Global-MSN Infra has been appointed as a consultant to advice on improving sanitary conditions in the civic body’s area and assist in selecting concessionaire(s) for undertaking the project on public-private partnership (PPP),” the official said, adding that four workshops have been organised to get perspectives from all stakeholders.

In south and central zones of the civic body the Delhi waste management (DWM) is the concessionaire employed, while in West zone the Delhi metro waste (DMW) is entrusted with transporting the garbage.

However, their contracts end this year. The garbage management of rural Najafgarh zone is done by the corporation’s staff.

The south corporation has earmarked ₹431 crore as its annual budget for sanitation, which includes solid waste management, and has 17,000 safai karmacharis catering to 70 lakh residents.