

**APPEAL TO PUBLIC TO HANDLE THE DROUGHT**

All the lakes supplying water to the Chennai city are nearing dry and water table has also gone down considerably, due to deficiency of monsoon. CMWSSB is taking meticulous steps to augment water supply during the ensuing summer by taking several alternate steps.

At this juncture, it is the need of the hour to safeguard all the sources of water, streamlining the digging of bore wells and rehabilitation of rain water harvesting structures in order to face the acute summer. Thiru.V Arun Roy, I.A.S., the Managing Director, CMWSSB is requesting the public to co-operate in this regard.

Water supply to Chennai city is 830 MLD before few days now it has been reorganized to 550 MLD to continue the supply upto the onset of monsoon. CMWSSB is taking all possible measures in order to supply the same quantity continuously for further period also.

A drop of water leak either from residential pipe or public Fountain will lead to significant sources of water wastage. For example Research study shows that typical home loss for continuous 10 hours of leakage of water from a single tap will amount 20 liters of wastage. If the same is occurring in ten lakhs houses then the total loss per day works out to two crore liters which can easily be saved by closing all the pipes in tact after every use.

Instead of using potable water for watering the plants & trees, the grey water that comes from bathroom can be recycled with simple treatment facilities and that water can be used for gardening, car washing and toilet flushing thereby preventing the usage of treated water.

People who draw ground water by using electrical motors in the morning should again draw water only in the evening. Minimum 9 hours gap should be maintained between two consecutive usage. Then only water spring will be normal. Public should be aware that if electrical motor was used continuously not only the electricity is wasted but also the water spring get affected.

Since the Meteorological Dept. has predicted sufficient summer rainfall public are requested to clean the rain water harvesting structure and maintain it properly so that rain water can be saved which will not only help to raise the ground water level but also improve the quality of Ground water.

The Managing Director of Metrowater has requested the public that though Metrowater has taken all the step to find out the sources of water wherever it is and make arrangements to draw the water and maintain distribution of protected water supply continuously, it is also the responsibility of the people to protect the sources of water.

**PUBLIC RELATIONS MANAGER**  
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