



The location of the site where a bio-CNG plant made of cow dung will be built in Nadarganj has been decided by the Lucknow Municipal Corporation (LMC). According to officials, the initiative might completely transform the LMC because a private company will produce bio-CNG from cow manure. In the Kanha Upvan, more than 10,000 cows will provide the cow manure for this project.

Sharing further details, additional municipal commissioner of the Animal Welfare Board, Dr Arvind Rao, said, "This plant will be built on the PPP model on vacant land near the shooting range in Nadarganj. For this, the corporation has given seven-and-a-half acres of land to JBM, a Gurgaon-based company."

He added, "In return, the LMC will take the lease rent. Meanwhile, the JBM company will bear the cost of setting up the plant. It will provide CNG for municipal vehicles at 5% less than the market rate. Under the contract, the municipal body will provide 40 tonnes of cow dung daily and the JBM will give ₹11 lakh every month in return. If the corporation gives more cow dung, the LMC would get more money in the same proportion. About 90 tonnes of cow dung is generated daily in the Kanha Upvan, which is spread over 60 acres.

The senior official further said, "The LMC will start earning from cow dung and the company will give the CNG produced in the plant to the corporation vehicles at a low cost. It's a win-win situation for both parties. The disposal of cow dung produced at Kanha Upvan has always been a big challenge for the LMC."

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