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## Israel ties up with IIT-M to set up water technology centre

CHENNAI: The Government of Israel is partnering with India through Indian Institute of Technology Madras (IIT-M) to establish an India-Israel Center of Water Technology (CoWT) in water resources management and water technologies at IIT-M.

A release said the ministry of housing and urban affairs (MoHUA) will collaborate with Mashav, Israel's agency for international development cooperation to establish the centre which will be located in IIT Madras. A letter of intent was signed in New Delhi on May 9.

The key objective of this new centre is to ensure the implementation of best technologies of Israel, which is a leader in integrated water resources management, in a tailor-made context for the Indian requirements and work on sustainable management solution for Indian water sector.

"The partnership with IIT Madras is very important and with our partners in Central Government (AMRUT) and IITM, we will jointly work for better management of Water Resources of India. This will be done with a focus on introduction of new state of art Israeli technology and know-how in a more sustainable manner," said Lior Asaf, water attache, Embassy of Israel.

The CoWT will also work towards the mutual exchange of technology, scientific information, literature, and hold discussions and consultations on various issues in the area with experts from both the countries to address problems in drinking water and sewerage management and to develop new areas of intervention.

"Water security of India depends on the implementation of advanced and affordable technologies as well as efficient management of the resources. There is much to learn from Israel, a leader in the area, under the guidance of AMRUT Mission," said Prof T Pradeep, department of chemistry, IITM.

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