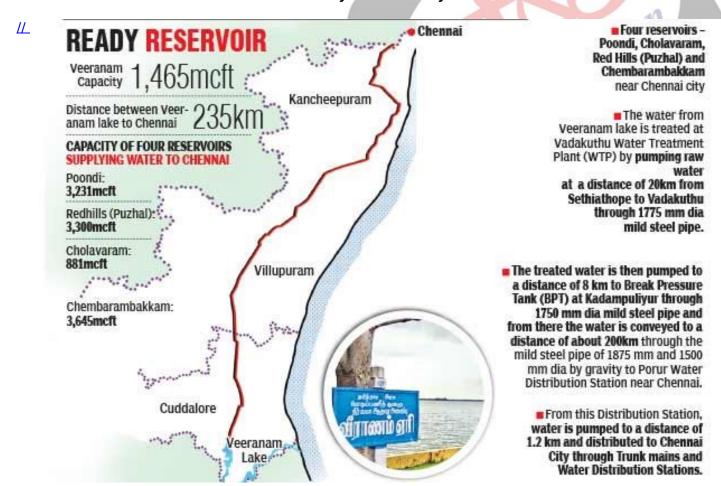


Chennai's Veeranam Lake

Source: DTE

According to data from the Chennai Metropolitan Water Supply and Sewerage Board (CMWSSB), Veeranam Lake, a primary water source for Chennai has dried up.

- Veeranam Lake, a vital water source for Chennai, lies in Tamil Nadu's Cuddalore district.
- It was regarded as one of the longest man-made lakes in the world with a length of 14 km.
- The source of Veeranam is the river of Kollidam, which is the Northern distributary of the Cauvery River, where the Vadavaru River links both the Veeranam and Kollidam.
 - It was built between 907-955 AD by Chola Prince Rajaditya Chola.
 - He named this waterbody after his father's title-Veeranarayanan.
- It features in the historical novel "Ponniyin Selvan" by Kalki.



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