

India's largest e-waste plant to be in B'lore

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GROWING cities are always challenged with sustainable and balanced growth issues. The IT city has spent a considerable amount of time and thought on waste management which continues to be one of the major topics of discussion.

But a private company, Cerebra Integrated Technologies Ltd, will be setting up a unit that will be one of the biggest in the county.

Speaking to *Express*, V

unit would be capable of handling 90,000 tonnes of e-waste and that the state government had agreed to earmark 10 acres of land and 100,000 sqft of factory and building to set up the unit in Harohalli in Bangalore.

"The plant will enable all e-waste to be processed and there would be outlets of harmful chemicals into water bodies or landfills," he said and added that the plant would pollution-free.

Ranganathan said all the metals would be recovered,



The company that will set up the plant says Bangalore generates 8,00,000 tonnes of e-waste every year | **Express Photo**

Ranganathan, Managing Director said, "We intend to set up India's largest e-waste recycling facility in Bangalore. This will be a major step towards greener growth."

Added to this, the Government of Karnataka has extended its invitation by signing an Memorandum of Understanding (MoU), during the Global Investors' Meet and has allotted land for the same in Bangalore to facilitate its growth, he said.

Ranganathan said the

processed and sold as Copper and precious metals smelters, aluminium smelters, local ferrous markets and plastic extruders and injection molders.

He also stated that plastic components would be processed to make fuel that would also be sold in the markets. The company shared that nearly 8,00,000 tonnes of e-waste is produced every year and an estimated 30,000 computers become obsolete every year from the IT industry in Bangalore alone.