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### Water samples being tested

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State Pollution Control Board has started collecting samples from the Periyar River to ensure the water quality based on a directive by the Kerala High Court that it should hand over one set of sample to the National Institute for Interdisciplinary Science and Technology (NIIST) at Thiruvananthapuram for a period of 60 days beginning from Monday.

Board Chairman K. Sajeevan said that the samples would be collected daily. It will be handed over to the institute on a weekly basis, he said.

A Division Bench of the Kerala High Court comprising Chief Justice J. Chelameswar and P. R. Ramachandra Menon had asked the NIIST to submit a report on the quality of drinking water after 60 days. The court had recommended that samples should be taken from various spots in the river.