

Flag-off ceremony for the first train of Phase-1 extension project of CMRL

The Phase - I of Chennai Metro Rail Project covering a distance of 45 km is fully operational from 10-02-2019. The Phase-I Extension project from Washermanpet to Thiruvottriyur / Wimco Nagar (9.051 Km) is being implemented at an estimated completion cost of Rs.3770 crore. The construction works, which was inaugurated by Hon'ble Former Chief Minister Purartchi Thalavi Selvi J JAYALALITHAA on 23-07-2016, are under steady progress and is expected to be completed in June 2020.

In respect of Phase-I Extension Project, Chennai Metro Rail Limited has awarded contract in March 2018, to the consortium of M/s Alstom Transport, France and M/s Alstom Transport India Limited for supply of 10 train sets with the same configuration and specifications as supplied to Phase-I project. The train sets are being manufactured at the Alstom's factory at Sri City, near Tada, Andhra Pradesh. The cost of the supply is about Rs.200.00 crores, with loan assistance from Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA).



The manufacturing of the train sets have commenced in February 2019. The trains have undergone various tests and inspections such as carbody dimensional checks, watertightness check, static routine traction and brake tests, etc. which is witnessed and approved by CMRL. The first train set is now ready for dispatch from the Alstom factory, Sri City to CMRL Depot at Koyambedu. The first train set was flagged off by Shri. Pankaj Kumar Bansal IAS, Managing Director, CMRL, along with Thiru ODIN Bruno Alstom, Managing Director for rolling stock and components at the Alstom Sri City facility on 19-10-2019.



L. Narasim Prasad Director (Systems and Operations) BOHRA Dinesh, Head of Projects and MD Services Vijay Subramanian, Site MD have participated in the event. On arrival of the train sets, further tests such as slow speed and high speed routine tests at the Depot and mainline will be performed before deploying it to the passenger service. The remaining 9 train sets are under various stages of manufacturing and the same is expected to be delivered by the end of February, 2020.

50% discounted fare on Metro travel tickets on all Sundays and Public Holidays

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As part of providing better facilities and conveniences for Chennai Public. CMRL is happy to announce 50% discounted fare on Metro travel tickets on all Sundays and Public Holidays (except for Trip PASS and PASS for unlimited rides) from 27.10.2019(Sunday) until further notice.

Public Holidays 2019 are those declared by Govt. of Tamil Nadu - 27.10.2019 (Sunday), 28.10.2019 (Monday) for Deepavali and Christmas on 25.12.2019 (Wednesday).

Vigilance Awareness Week Celebrations

This year, the Central Vigilance Commission the apex body of vigilance of the country has announced the **Observance of Vigilance awareness week celebrations from 28th Oct 2019 to 2nd Nov 2019** and the theme for this year is **“Integrity – A way of Life”**. As part of Observance of Vigilance Awareness Week, Vigilance Awareness Week Celebrations was celebrated at CMRL on 01-11-2019.

The celebrations commenced with **Thiru T.V Somanathan, I.A.S** Additional Chief Secretary to Govt, Special Initiatives Department gracing as the Chief Guest for the Vigilance Awareness Week celebrations on 01-11-2019. **Thiru Pankaj Kumar Bansal, I.A.S**, Managing Director, Chennai Metro Rail Limited presided over the event.

Release of Vigilance Hand Book

Vigilance Hand compiling the culminations of all Vigilance Department works and Procedures were released by Additional Chief Secretary to Govt, Special Initiatives Department Thiru T.V Somanathan, I.A.S and received by Thiru Pankaj Kumar Bansal, I.A.S, Managing Director, CMRL.

During the celebrations, Additional Chief Secretary, **Thiru T.V Somanathan, I.A.S**, reiterated the importance on following procedures with integrity and transparency. With changing times, transparency in all works and how all decisions pertaining to contracts when made quickly and transparently with integrity will become one of the ways to eradicate corruption and the aim should be maximum service to the public by all means. The Chief Guest also lauded CMRL's morale integrity in handling all its contracts and works with utmost transparency and efficiency.

Distribution of Prizes

The Additional Chief Secretary to Govt, Special Initiatives Department, **Thiru T.V Somanathan, I.A.S**, also distributed prizes for the winners of the Quiz and Debate Competition on the theme –“Integrity- A way of life” to CMRL officers and staff during the celebrations.

Director (Finance), **Tmt Sujatha Jayaraj** and Director (Systems & Operations) Incharge, **Thiru L. Narasim Prasad** participated in the event. CGM's, other higher officials and staff of CMRL were present.

Integrity Pledge

Integrity pledge was also administered to the officers and staff of CMRL, during the Vigilance Awareness Week.

Debate and Quiz Competition for School Students

As part of Vigilance Awareness Week celebration activities. Quiz and Debate Competition was conducted on the theme –“**Integrity- A way of life**” at Smt. Durgadevi Choudhary Vivekananda Vidyalaya Sr. Secondary School, Kolathur, Chennai on 30.10.2019 in which a total of 100 students had participated.



Quiz Competition

Winners

Thiru S.Rajaram, Asst.Mgr-Opn
Thiru D Prem Kumar- DM- L& E
Selvi P.Haripriya- Asst.Mgr-Elec.

Runner up 1

Tmt. R.S Sukania, PS to CSO
Thiru Devesh Joshi, Asst.Mgr
Thiru T . Sampath Kumar, Asst.Mgr-Accts

Runner up 2

Thiru P Ravi Kumar, Site Engineer-Civil
Thiru P.Rajendaran, Site Engineer-Civil
Thiru S.Baskar, Asst.Mgr-Finance

Debate Competition

Winners

Selvi R. Shruti Shambavi, Asst.Mgr-PR
Thiru Raguraman, Asst.Mgr-HR
Thiru S.Senthil, Asst.Manager-DC

Vigilance Awareness Week Celebration



Quiz and Debate Competition for CMRL Officials



Quiz and Debate Competition for School Students



PARK RESTORATION – THIRU.VI.KA. PARK

Thiru vi ka Park at Shenoy Nagar, served as an urban park to nearby residents, which is currently under restoration by CMRL. Against the proposal, a court case in the High Court of Judicature of Madras, was filed by individuals. The judgement for the same was delivered on 27.09.2019, with the dismissal of the writ petitions. Counter to the judgement by High Court, individuals again filed a Special Leave Petition at the Supreme Court of India and the order has again been dismissed on 25.10.2019.

The park will act as a focal element drawing in visitors of all the age groups by providing different types of activities such as Tot Lot, Children's playground, public gathering space, open air theatre, play courts such as basketball & badminton court, yoga & meditation areas, jogging tracks, etc. Wall arts, murals/landscape elements at various zones. In addition to the above, Focus is created by providing a Musical fountain at the center of the park.

There were about 320 trees before CMRL took over the park. Certain trees have retained, 33 nos have been transplanted. Moreover, there will also be as many herbs and shrubs in addition to the deep rooted trees. In addition to the above, Miyawaki Concept Forest are planned at the four corners of the park of 4800 trees, by grouping of various indigenous species of plants together. In addition to the deep rooted trees, the centre of the park will have land-scape gardens with many plants and medium sized trees/shrubs. This results in 5200 trees in total as against 320 trees present earlier.

The park shall serve as a breathing space amidst the concrete jungle. The park has been designed as a Thematic park with creation of an eco-friendly environment, climatic responsive, use of innovative technologies and making it suitable for differently-abled. The park will serve as the identity and add value to people.





2.23 crore passengers have traveled from Jan 2019 till Sept 2019. Nearly 32 Lakh passengers have traveled in the month of September 2019.

Chennai Metro Rail Limited (CMRL) has always endeavoured to provide the several facilities to provide the people of Chennai and safer and sustainable mode of transport. In the month of September 2019, a total of 31,89,591 passengers have travelled in the Metro Train proving that the efforts taken by CMRL to provide a safer and time efficient way of travel a success!

In the month of September 2019, more than 1 Lakh passengers have travelled in the Metro train for a total of 21 days. And on the following days a total of 1,19,888 passengers have travelled on 13th Sept 2019, 1,16,575 passengers have travelled on 6th Sept 2019, 1,16,347 passengers have travelled on 12th Sept 2019 and 1,15,329 passengers have travelled on 16th Sept 2019 and 1,14,240 passengers have travelled on 2nd Sept 2019 and 1,14,123 passengers have travelled on 30th Sept 2019 and 1,01,430 passengers have travelled on 7th Sept 2019 (Saturday).



Metro Train Passengers among which Share Auto and Share Taxi, Metro Cab services are currently plying at Metro Rail Stations in addition Small Buses by MTC and Tempo Traveller Feeder services to IT corridors in OMR have also been provided for the benefit of passengers.

So far a total of 2.23 crore passengers have travelled from Jan 2019 till September 2019. CMRL has undertaken several initiatives of providing several Last Mile Connectivity Measures for the

Strict Action against Advertisers for Illegal Pasting of Posters, Stickers and Banners on Metro Pillars

Chennai Metro Rail Limited has been implementing and executing the Chennai Metro Rail Project in Chennai for the benefit of public. CMRL has been bringing general awareness to the public and others on the unauthorized affixing of posters, bills etc. on piers, barricades and other structures of Metro Railway Project is considered an illegal act under section 62 (2) of Metro Railway Act 2002. It has been informed that pasting of or putting up of posters or writing advertisements in any premises of Metro Railway or Carriage, will be liable for imprisonment up to a term of 6 months, or with a fine of Rs.1000/-, or with both. This general awareness notice has also been published in newspapers about sticking of Posters /Erection of Banners /disfiguring of Metro Pillars are illegal in nature and warned that legal action will be taken against those who indulge in such activities. Despite of such awareness, it has been found that several advertisers are pasting posters on Metro Pillars and disfiguring the walls.

In the recent past, CMRL has in this connection, filed complaints for taking strict action against the following Advertisers for pasting Posters at Metro Pillars at the respective Police Station i.e S3-Meenambakkam Police Station & F-5 Choolaimedu Police Station :-

- Mega Creative Agency, Pallavaram
- Indian Power Gym, MMDA to ThiruNagar Signal,
- Navin Press, Saidapet,
- Advertiser for Music Event - My Chennai MY VR, Thirumangalam

CMRL wishes to warn the advertisers that strict action will be taken against anyone indulging in above illegal acts in future.



Image courtesy -Mr Mohanakrishnan

3,04,237 passengers traveled during Deepavali

On the occasion of Deepavali, CMRL witnessed a surge in passenger travel in the Metro train. On 24-10-2019, a total of 1,39,324 passengers and on 25-10-2019, a total of 1,64,913 no of passengers have utilized the metro train services. A total of 3,04,237 passengers have traveled on the above two days only. This has been the highest passenger travel in the month of Oct 2019.

In addition, keeping up with this, all metro train services were functioning without any interruption on 11-10-2019. CMRL witnessed a surge in the passenger flow on 11-10-2019 with a total of 1,37,820 passengers traveling in the Metro Train.

World Mental Health Day Awareness – Metro Train Ride

As part of bringing awareness on world Mental Health Day, Chennai Metro Rail Limited in association with Rotary Club of Meenambakam and volunteers of Psy Hub, an institute for Mental Health, along with a total of 40 students undertook a metro train trip from Kilpauk Metro to Airport on 10-10-2019.

The trip was to bring awareness and encouragement to the students on how to be treated equally thereby breaking the stigma pertaining to mental illness.

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CMRL had undertaken an initiative of providing several Last Mile Connectivity measures for the Metro Passengers among which Share auto and Share Taxi Feeder services at selected Metro Rail Stations/

The Share Auto Feeder services are running on the designated feeder routes with a flat tariff of Rs.5. The Share Taxi Feeder services are covering an area up to 3 Km radius at a flat tariff of Rs.10. So far a total **48,664** of passengers have utilized the Share Auto and Share Taxi facilities and **7232** no of passengers have utilized the Metro Cab Feeder Services at metro stations from the month of Sep,2019. A total of **5,34,869** number of passengers have utilized the Share Auto and Share Taxi facilities between 11th Aug 2018 and 30th Sep 2019.

Parking Space at St. Thomas Mount Metro near Southern Railway St. Thomas Mount Station

For the benefit of Metro Passengers and Public, CMRL has opened additional parking space for the benefit of passengers using metro and sub urban railway services. The parking area is located in front of the St. Thomas Mount Metro Station and at the Entrance of the southern railway subway. The parking for both two wheeler and four wheeler are available round the clock. Passengers are requested to utilize the services.

Digital Key-less Luggage Locker Facility at Metro Stations



CMRL has provided digital key-less luggage locker facility through M/s BOLT LOCKERS for a hassle free storage which starts at Rs. 30/- per locker for 3 hours at Vadapalani, Alandur, Thirumangalam metro stations.

Cabin size baggage storage up to 10 kgs and each facility can store up to 23 bags. Each BOLT Digital Key Locker consist of a TAB and operates with One time passcode post registering using mobile number to validate, then user can choose their own passcode and choose any locker to open. Locker opens automatically once.

Chennai Metro Trains decorated on the occasion of Deepavali

As a part of Deepavali celebrations, Chennai Metro Rail Limited joins with its passengers to celebrate the festival of lights in a unique way. The interiors of the modern trains of Chennai Metro Rail Limited are decorated with the theme of colourful Deepavali. These theme based trains with vibrant colours will run on both the corridors connecting Airport to Washermenpet and Chennai Central to St.Thomas Mount. These 15 trains will be operational from 25.10.2019 for public carriage of passenger.



Feeder Service Notification

Chennai Metro Feeder service will be operating as per the following schedule from 29-10-2019 onwards until further notice. Feeder service will commence at 07:00 hrs and will end at 23:00hrs

Peak hour timings will be observed as following;
0800hrs -1100hrs
1600hrs - 2100hrs

Govt of Tamil Nadu Under Secretaries visit to CMRL



A study visit for Under-secretaries in Tamil Nadu Secretariat service was organised by HR department on 16.10.2019 and the following topics covered for the study visit: -

- Briefing on CMRL Project Works
- General aspect of Finance & Accounts functioning of CMRL
- Visit to Operation Control Center (OCC) & depot

Metro Cab Feeder Service Awareness program undertaken at Anna Nagar Tower



Be the Change You Want To See

The Be the Change You Want To See Column will highlight the exceptional works undertaken by CMRL Officials Staff for their Community and Society.

The editorial section of PR Department at CMRL happy to introduce the extraordinary works carried out by Thiru S.Satheesh Prabhu, Joint General Manager (Operations & Rolling Stock) who has made exceptional contribution by representing for several causes through participating in long distance marathons.

In his own words "Having worked in various foreign countries, and running in multiple terrains made me to enjoy my running for long distance hence my thirst continued, after reaching Chennai which is my native state, I have continued running long distance and weekend with the group from Porur"

Thiru S.Satheesh Prabhu has participated in several long distance marathons namely Chennai Marathon, Cool Runners ,half marathon at Dream Runners, Mahindra World city marathon - 21kms.he had recently participated in the Sketchers performance Chennai Runners in 2018 etc.

In addition, Thiru S. Satheesh Prabhu has also encouraged several of his department associates to participate in the marathons and support causes that are close to his heart!



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