Press Release

CMRL Phase I - Corridor I-Trial run commenced between AG-DMS and Washermanpet Stations

The underground construction works of the Chennai Metro Rail Limited between AG-DMS and Washermanpet was buzzing with hectic activity today as CMRL’s Diesel Locomotive vehicle completed its maiden trial run surging from AG-DMS to Washermanpet successfully. This stretch of 9.5km is the final leg of the Phase I of CMRL project. This stretch runs through AG-DMS, Thousand lights, LIC, Government Estate, Chennai Central, High Court, Mannadi and Washermanpet stations. The underground twin tunnels of 6.3m diameter each run below Anna Salai, Cooum river at Chinthadripet, Chennai Central, Buckingham Canal, Suburban Railway tracks, Broadway and other strategic locations of Chennai. Entire team of CMRL is excited on this trail run as this being a major lap in CMRL’s footsteps.

The installation of various systems including Overhead Head Electrification, Signalling, Tunnel Ventilation, HVAC, Platform Screen Doors, Automatic Fare Collection (AFC) gates are currently under way in this stretch to achieve early commissioning.

This trial run will pave way to CMRL’s plan for fully completing the entire Phase I works covering 45 Km by end of 2018.