72nd Independence Day Celebrated

Chennai Metro Rail Limited celebrated the 72nd Independence Day on 15th August 2018. Thiru Pankaj Kumar Bansal, I.A.S., Managing Director, Chennai Metro Rail Limited hoisted the National Flag.

Chief Guests Thiru Satyabrata Sahoo, I.A.S, Chief Electoral Officer (CEO) and Thiru Har Sahaya Meena, I.A.S., Managing Director, Salt Corporation along with Directors of Chennai Metro Rail Limited and Officials and Staffs of CMRL participated enthusiastically.

Prizes were also distributed for the sports competition winners during the event.

Oral Hygiene Day Celebrations at Chennai Metro Rail Limited

On occasion of Oral Hygiene Day on Aug 1, 2018, CMRL in association with Meenakshi Ammal Dental College conducted an Oral Hygiene screening and awareness camp at CMRL Admin Building and at Metro Trains on August 1 2018.

A team of 25 doctors headed by Dr. Jaideep Mahendra, Director of PG Studies, Meenakshi Ammal Dental College, Maduravoyal, Chennai conducted the screening and awareness camp at CMRL Admin Building, Koyambedu for CMRL employees and staffs on Oral Hygiene Day (Aug 1 2018). Around 250 employees including staffs and contract workers were benefitted by this camp. A separate team of doctors also travelled in the Metro Trains to educate passengers about the significance of Oral hygiene.

Free samples were distributed to all the staffs who attended the screening camp and to the public in the train.
Chennai Metro Rail Limited in association with Photographic Society of Madras (PSM) celebrated World Photography Day on 23.08.2018 by inaugurating the Photography Exhibition at Vadapalani Metro Station. This exhibition happened from 23.08.2018 to 29.08.2018. Photography Day is an international event that celebrates the passion for photography. Commemorating the World Photography Day, this photography exhibition highlighted the positive impact of infrastructure creation and the various facilities of Chennai Metro Rail was showcased. A team of 38 Members from Photographic Society of Madras (PSM) visited the various installations of CMRL, captured and curated a photo gallery consisting of about 100 photographs which shows the tremendous efforts being put in / put in by CMRL, its staff, its contractors and vendors towards creation of this world class facility for the benefit of commuters of Chennai.

The photographs show cased the project sites, yards, its rolling stock, stations and people using metro, some aerial views of the trains criss crossing the city and the last mile connectivity created by CMRL for the benefit of commuters. The gallery also showcased the photographs of Photographic Society of Madras (PSM) members exhibiting the positive vibes of the global environment through the images, which is the essence of the celebration of World Photography Day, covering various genres of photography viz nature, architecture, travel, wildlife, landscapes etc., Photographic Society of Madras (PSM) conducts an annual contest “Shoot Madras” capturing the essence and beauty of the City, coinciding with the Madras Day celebrations in August. Shoot Madras 2018 this year had 3 themes, Landscapes of Madras, Architecture of Madras and Madras by Night.

On 29.08.2018 this exhibition ended successfully with the visit of Mr.Pankaj Kumar Bansal, I.A.S., MD, CMRL who was the Chief Guest for the event. The Chief Guest visited the photo gallery and distributed the prizes to 80 photographers who participated in the event. The photographs of the contest winners and honorary mention was also displayed in the Exhibition.

This exhibition was held from 10 am to 8 pm at Vadapalani Metro Station in the Concourse Area from 23rd to 29th Aug 2018. Entry was free for all.
CMRL commenced trial run from AG-DMS – Washermanpet Metro

The underground construction works of the Chennai Metro Rail Limited between AG-DMS and Washermanpet buzzed with hectic activity on August 25, 2018 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 1 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 was excited on this trial run as this being a major lap in CMRL’s footsteps.

The installation of various systems including Overhead Head Electrification, Signaling, 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 1 works covering 45km by end of 2018.

New Entries opened at 3 Metro Stations

For the benefit of Metro Passengers the following new Entries have been opened for passenger services from 25-08-2018 at 3 Metro Stations namely Nandanam, Saidapet and Teynampet Metro Stations.
Feeder service through share taxi system and share auto at selected metro stations

As part of providing last mile connectivity measures to metro commuters, CMRL took an initiative of providing Feeder services through Share auto and share taxi services at selected Metro Stations on trial basis for a period of six months. Eight Stations including Ashok Nagar, Alandur, Ekkattuthangal, Guindy, Koyambedu, St. Thomas Mount, Little Mount/Nandanam and Thirumangalam/Anna Nagar Tower metro stations were identified for Share auto feeder service.

The proposed share auto feeder service is running on the designated feeder routes with a flat tariff of Rs.10. Similarly, the share taxi services were planned for five selected Stations which are Koyambedu, Alandur, Anna Nagar East, AG DMS and Vadapalani metro stations. The proposed share taxi services are covering an area up to 3 Km radius with a flat tariff of Rs.15.

This service was commenced from 11.08.2018 from 6.30 a.m to 9.30 p.m.

Oral Health Awareness Program for CMRL Commuters

CMRL in association with Dr Smilez Dental Center conducted an Oral Health Awareness Camp for CMRL Passengers and Public on 25th of August 2018.

The Oral Health Awareness Camp was conducted at 10 Metro stations namely AG-DMS, Saidapet, Alandur, Ekkattuthangal, Ashok Nagar, Vadapalani, Thirumangalam, Shenoy Nagar, Nehru Park and Central Metro stations.

The Free Oral Health Screening included Gums bleeding check, TMJ check, Oral soft tissues check, Decay Check, Smile Evaluation, Saliva check, Brushing Techniques, Bad Breath consultation and Diet counseling (optional).

This was a Free Oral Health Awareness Camp and all were invited to participate and benefit from this opportunity.

Educational trips for Government School Students for the month of August 2018

"To travel is to learn"

In an attempt to bring awareness about Metro Train to the students of Government Schools across the Metro Rail alignment in the city, CMRL has commenced its monthly educational trip from Central Metro to Airport and AG-DMS to Airport for the students.

The features and facilities of the Metro Train and its Stations will be explained to the students during the trip. The educational trips for the month of August 2018 commenced from 01.08.2018 and around 2000 students from Government and Corporation Schools have gone on this educational trip till date. And around 15,000 number of students have travelled in Metro train and got benefitted from this trip.

The initiative delivers an enriching experience by inculcating Metro Rail culture among the students.