

All 32 stations awarded IGBC platinum rating

CHENNAI: All stations in Phase 1 of Chennai Metro Rail have been awarded the prestigious IGBC platinum rating, after 14 underground stations were conferred the rating at an event on Monday. CN Raghavendran, chairman of IGBC's Chennai chapter handed over the plaques and certificates to CMRL managing director Pankaj Kumar Bansal at the event. The stations that have been awarded are Washermenpet, Mannadi, High Court, Central, Government Estate, LIC, Thousand Lights, AG-DMS, Teynampet, Nandanam, Saidapet, Pachaiyappa's College, Kilpauk and Nehru Park. Previously, 13 elevated and five underground stations were awarded the rating. CMRL Administrative Depot is also LEED-NC 2009 gold certified building since last May. The rating was awarded for employing rainwater harvesting, harnessing solar energy, universal access to physically challenged commuters, and the last-mile connectivity through Non-Motorised Transport (NMT) options.