

Metro's phase II looks to connect city's major hospitals

Will specially help those coming here for treatment

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After connecting all major transport hubs in phase I, Chennai Metro's phase II will extend connectivity to several major hospitals in the city.

From Murari Hospitals in north Chennai to Global Hospitals in the south, the project aims to improve mobility for patients visiting the hospitals and those coming down to the city exclusively for treatment.

Helping tourists

According to Chennai Metro Rail Limited (CMRL) officials, four stations – Murari Hospitals in Madhavaram, Royapettah Government Hospital in Royapettah, Sri Ramachandra Medical Centre in Porur and Global Hospitals in Perumbakkam



Central Metro station has already ensured connectivity to RGGGH.

– would come up.

“Chennai is a hub of medical tourism, and on a daily basis, these hospitals get thousands of patients. So it would benefit them if a mass rapid transit is connected. What is significant here is that for those coming from other countries or other cities, it will be extremely easy to reach these hospitals, as

the Metro travels through Central, Egmore, CMBT and airport too,” an official said.

Besides, there will be a station at the Chennai Trade Centre in Nandambakkam and it will be close to the MIOT Hospital. The Thapalpetti station, which is to be built, will be close to the St. Anthony's Hospital in Madhavaram. While the Murari Hospital and the Royapettah Government Hospital stations will be constructed as underground ones, Sri Ramachandra Medical Centre station will be elevated.

Phase I has already provided connectivity to the Kilpauk Medical College and the RGGGH. The challenge will be to ensure that there are no issues for commuters and patients during construction.