Traffic regulations at Central station

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Chennai: Two major changes in the traffic flow have come into effect at Kamarajar Salai, the Northern MGR Central station (Chennai Central station).

The first change is likely to impact passengers coming from the northern parts of the city. From platform 14, the original exit point on Wall Tax Road, one could take a U-turn at the junction on Poonamallee High Road, but passengers had to go to platform 3 and exit on Wall Tax Road itself. However, the authorities have decided to stop this.

There will be only one route for vehicles on Wall Tax Road. After entering, they will have to go straight and enter opposite Moore Market Complex, an official said.

If you are coming from North Chennai, your exit may be right on Wall Tax Road — meaning you will travel for an extra 20 minutes during peak hours.

Secondly, railway officials have managed to vacate the pre-paid area at the terminal platform. This space has been given to Chennai Metro Rail Limited (CMRL) to construct a subway to Rajiv Gandhi Government General Hospital.

Railway officials said it took quite a lot of coordinating to vacate this area, as the pre-paid area had been given out on lease.

The subway will act as a major relief to the traffic-ceo at every hour; pedestrians will be able to walk across the road, without having to wait for traffic. Since the volume was high, they could not be stopped.

This is among the four subways CMRL is planning to build.