Press Release

The Hon'ble Minister for Industries launched CMRL Metro Card with ApnaPay POS Terminal at Parking lots of Metro Stations and 1.2 MW Solar Power Plant at CMRL Depot, Today (04-07-2019)

Today, 04-07-2019, Hon'ble Minister for Industries, **Thiru M.C. Sampath** inaugurated CMRL's Pilot Project of Automated Parking Management Solution with ApnaPay Smart POS Terminals deployed at CMRL parking lots for accepting payment through metro cards at Koyambedu Metro Station. **Thiru Pankaj Kumar Bansal**, I.A.S, Managing Director, Chennai Metro Rail Limited presided over the event.

CMRL Metro Card:

CMRL's vision of self-sufficient metro cards for all payment needs of the residents is now heading towards fulfillment wherein the CMRL metro card is all a user will need on his entire journey – from home to destination and way back – for making payments while travelling, retail purchasing, last-mile connectivity through cabs/buses, etc.

As a pilot project measure, a total of 11 Metro Stations (Egmore, Annanagar East, Thirumangalam, Koyambedu, Vadapalani, Alandur, Washermanpet Metro, Mannadi, High Court, Government Estate, LIC) Parking lots have been identified for implementation of ApnaPay POS Terminal where passengers by giving them an option to pay via CMRL metro cards at parking lots. After successful implementation, all Metro Stations with parking lot facilities will be provided with ApnaPay POS Terminal for passenger use.

Solar Power:

Earlier, the Hon'ble Minister of Industries also launched the 1.2 MW Solar Power Plant situated CMRL Depot Maintenance Shed today (04-07-201).

So far total of 4 MW Capacity of Solar Power Plants has been commissioned in Chennai Metro Rail Stations and Koyambedu Depot till now.

Apart from, 4 MW, 1.2 MW Solar Power Plant has been commissioned now in Koyambedu Depot, Stabling Shed. Hence Total Capacity of Solar Power Plants in CMRL is 5 MW. Also, CMRL is planned to commission Solar Power Plants up to 8 MW by the end of 2019. After 8 MW Plant is commissioned, 1,16,80,000 Units will be generated per year and cost would be saved up to Rs. 2.54 Cr per year towards energy cost. And Carbon emission shall be reduced up to 11,587 Ton per year.

Review Meeting Conducted:

The Hon'ble Minister of Industries also conducted a review meeting at Chennai Metro Rail Admin Building, Koyambedu where the Hon'ble Minister reviewed the progress of implementation of Phase 1, Phase 1 extension and getting approval from Government of India and External funding agencies for Phase II of Chennai Metro Rail Project.

Tmt.Sujatha Jayaraj, Director (Finance), Thiru Rajeev Narayan Dwivedi, Director (Projects), Thiru L.Narasim Prasad, Director (incharge) / Systems & Operations along with Chief General Managers, Thiru Manu Goyal, Chief Operating Officer - ApnaPay and other Officials of CMRL were present during the above occasions.