## Metro to run from 7 am to 9 pm to ferry domestic, int'l fliers

CHENNAI: The Chennai Metro Rail Limited (CMRL) has decided to extend the operational time of Metrorail in the city from Thursday.

According to a CMRL statement, the decision has been taken considering the requests received from the public, passengers and domestic and international air travellers. "CMRL has decided to extend its Metrorail services from 7 am to 9 pm from Thursday, with peak hour (8.30 am to 10.30 am and 5 pm to 8 pm) headway of 5 minutes

and non-peak hour headway of 10 minutes," the statement said.

The statement also clarified that train services from Puratchi Thalaivar Dr MG Ramachandran Central Metro Station to St Thomas Mount Metro Station and Puratchi Thalaivar Dr MG Ramachandran Central Metro Station to Airport Metro Station via Koyambedu will run as an alternate train from Thursday.

"CMRL requests all its passengers to co-operate with security, ticketing and other staff for a safe and smooth journey to prevent the spread of COVID-19," CMRL has requested.

It may be noted that the CMRL operates the Metrorail services in two stages such as Blue Line and Green Line, For the last three days, after the resumption of services, CMRL has been operating trains from 8 am to 8 pm. The Blue Line identifies with the Airport metro station and Washermenpet metro station, and the Green Line with St Thomas Mount station and Puratchi Thalaivar Dr MG Ramachandran Central Metro.