

CMRL installs foot-operated buttons for water taps, lifts

CHENNAI: In an effort to ensure the safety of passengers and prevent the spread of COVID, Chennai Metro Rail Limited has installed foot-operated buttons to water taps in all 190 restrooms at 32 Metro stations to encourage contact-less use.

An official release from the CMRL said that in its endeavour to provide safety to the passengers, it has initiated the process of studying various contactless measures to safely use elevators, too.

It said that CMRL has come up with an ingenious way to avoid/minimise hand contact with the elevator buttons by providing foot-operated lift mechanism so as to reduce the virus spread and ensure the safety of the users.

“This foot-operated mechanism is one of a kind prototype and CMRL takes the lead to be the first Metro Rail in India to implement this mechanism – initially in its administration building at Koyambedu during May 2020 on a trial basis. Based on the positive results, CMRL has installed the foot-operated lift mechanism in all 32 Metro Stations to help passengers, in particular, and the public, in general,” it noted.