

## METRO DIGEST



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மாண்புமிகு தமிழ்நாடு முதலமைச்சர் திரு.மு.க.ஸ்டாலின் அவர்கள் இன்று (30–03–2022) சென்னை சென்ட்ரல் பகுதியில், சென்னை மெட்ரோ இரயில் நிறுவனத்தால் செயல்படுத்தப்படும் உலகத் தரம் வாய்ந்த பன்முக போக்குவரத்து ஒருங்கிணைப்புத் திட்டமான மத்திய சதுக்கத் திட்டத்தின் கீழ், 12.49 கோடி ரூபாப் மதிப்பீட்டில் அமுகுபடுத்தப்பட்ட நில மேம்பாட்டு வசதிகளை பொதுமக்கள் பயன்பாட்டிற்காக திறந்து வைத்தார் இந்த நிகழ்ச்சியில் மாண்புமிகு மருத்துவம் மற்றும் மக்கள் நல்வாழ்வுத் துறை அமைச்சர் திரு. மா. சுப்பிரமணியன், நாடாளுமன்ற உறுப்பினர் திரு. தயாநிதி மாறன், மெட்ரோ இரயில் நிறுவனத்தின் மேலாண்மை இயக்குநர் / முதன்மைச் செயலாளர் திரு. பிரதீப் யாதல், இ.ஆ.பு. மற்றும் அரசு உயர் அலுவலர்கள் கலந்து கொண்டனர்.

### Inauguration of Central Square by Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu Thiru. M.K. Stalin

The Government of Tamil Nadu, under the exemplary leadership of the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu, Thiru. M.K. Stalin, has been constantly engaged in the infrastructure development and beautification of Chennai City is ready to add one more feather to its cap of achievements. The Central Square, a passage that connects iconic landmarks of Chennai Central through Puratchi Thalaivar Dr. M.G. Ramachandran Central Railway Station, Suburban Terminal, Park Station, Park Town, Puratchi Thalaivar Dr. M.G. Ramachandran Central Metro Station, Ripon Building, Victoria Hall and Rajiv Gandhi General Hospital.

Inaugurated on March 30,2022 by the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu, Thiru. M.K. Stalin, the Central Square, developed as a state of the art well landscaped pedestrian plaza with key objectives under Singara Chennai 2.0, creating last mile connectivity and de-congesting the heavy traffic junction between Poonamallee High Road and surrounding areas. Built at a cost of Rs. 34.22 Crores. The Central Square provides a hurdle free hub connecting various heritage buildings that stand testimony to Chennai's glorious history and its unique heritage. With wide pathways, granite seating areas for relaxation and tensile canopy tops add a more modern and sleek look to the area. The pathways have been constructed with louvre integrated pergolas, green landscapes, plants from around the world, which are environmental-friendly, adding an exotic beauty to the whole place. With ample parking space for vehicles and decorated with focus lights, colourful fountains that provide a serene ambience, the Central Square, not only looks gorgeous during the day but also mesmerizes the onlooker at nights.

### **Inauguration of Central Square**

The addition of a new subway constructed with ample facilities like escalators and railings in front of the Puratchi Thalaivar Dr. M.G. Ramachandran Central Railway Station, at the junction of Pallavan Road and Poonamallee High Road provides safe and secure crossing of the road for the general public, thereby reducing congestion in the area. Colourful paintings highlights the Azadi Ka Amrut Mahotsav celebrations. Central Square will give Chennai an awe-inspiring multi-sensory integration which is the first of its kind in Chennai making it an Iconic Landmark Project.



# Two stations in Phase 1 Extension operational from March 13, 2022

The Metro Rail Service presently available between Washermanpet to Wimco nagar (9kms). In this route, works which were ongoing in Two Metro Stations namely Tiruvottriyur Theradi Station and Wimco Nagar Depot Station have been completed and approval has been accorded by the Metro Rail Safety Commissioner (CMRS) post inspection.

In this connection, both Tiruvottriyur Theradi Station and Wimco Nagar Depot Station have been operational from Two stations in Phase 1 Extension to be operational from March 13, 2022.

### Free Parking at Wimco Nagar Depot Station till April 30,2022

A a token of gratitude for passenger's continous patronage and support towards CMRL, Passengers were given Free Parking facility till April 30,2022 at Wimco Nagar Depot Metro Station.

# Metro Train services from 5.00 am to 11.00 pm from March 17,2022

For facilitating passengers better, CMRL revised its Metro Train Services from 05:00 am to 11:00 pm from March 17, 2022 on all days (Monday to Sunday).

### Weekday (Monday to Saturday) Train Service:

Metro Train services will run on weekdays (Monday to Saturday) from 05:00 am to 11:00 pm with existing peak hour services from 08:00 am to 11:00 am in the morning and from 05:00 pm to 08:00 pm in the evening with 5 minute headway during Peak hours and 10-minute headway during Non-peak hours and from 10:00 pm to 11:00 pm with 15 minutes headway.

### Sunday and Government Public Holidays Train Service:

Metro Train services will run on Sundays and Government Public Holidays from 05:00 am to 10:00 pm with 10 minutes headway throughout the day and from 10:00 pm to 11:00 pm with 15 minutes headway. There will be no peak hour services in the Holiday Timetable Schedule.

## MICRO-PLASMA OXIDATION SYSTEMS AT METRO STATIONS

CMRL adds another feather to its cap, as we become the first Metro Rail in India to install Micro-plasma Oxidation (COSMO) system in Metro Stations. This Micro-plasma Oxidation (COSMO) provides complete sterilization for air and surface disinfection at Metro Stations and Metro Trains. This air and surface disinfection system helps destroy virus, bacteria, moulds etc.

Through proper dilution of micro-plasma oxidation in water, the air through ventilation system in the Metro stations are sterilized and safe. The main advantage of this technology is that it uses tap water as input. The system is a chemical-free, environmentally friendly, sustainable disinfection methodology to mitigate infections that spread through air and surfaces. This mechanism is primarily used in hospitals and healthcare settings to combat novel contaminants in air, water and environment with a disinfection efficacy of more than 99%.

CMRL studied and tested the disinfection system which shown reduction of 99% in the microbial load, such as bacteria, fungi, viruses, protozoa, and bacterial and fungal spores by mounting the System to Air Handling Units (AHU) of the conditioning centralized air system underground station. Cleaning the Surface with Gas-Phase Oxidizing Disinfectant ensure clean surfaces at the Metro Stations. The Micro-Discharge Plasma Technology, which is the backbone of the system, has been validated and listed by National Science Foundation, USA and supported by the Department of Science and Technology, Government of India. This innovative disinfection process is safe & harmless to humans, but effective in killing viruses and bacteria.

CMRL hopes that passengers can now breathe easy while travelling in the Metro Trains as the Environment inside the Metro Stations and Trains are Sterilized and Clean for travelling.

### INSPECTION OF PHASE – II PROJECT WORKS BY CHAIRMAN THIRU MANOJ JOSHI, I.A.S.,

The Secretary to Government of India, Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MOHUA), Thiru. Manoj Joshi, I.A.S., and Chairman of Chennai Metro Rail Limited had inspected project works in the Phase –II of CMRL project on March 20, 2022.

During the inspection, the Chairman visited the works undertaken in the underground section of Thiruvanmiyur of Corridor 5 between Madhavaram and Shollinganallur and the Chairman also inspected the ongoing constructed works at Thelliagaram Metro Station near Porur Ramachandra Hospital of Corridor 4 Corridor 4 between Lighthouse and Poonamallee.

Thiru. Shiv Das Meena IAS., Additional Chief Secretary to Government, Municipal Administration and Water Supply Department along with Thiru. Pradeep Yadav., I.A.S., Managing Director, Thiru. T. Archunan, Director (Project), Thiru. Rajesh Chaturvedi, Director (System & Operations) and other Senior Officials of CMRL were present during the inspection.







### INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY CELEBRATIONS

Chennai Metro Rail Limited in association with Geo India Foundation, conducted several activities to celebrate International Women's Day at CMRL Admin Building on March 8, 2022. The theme of the celebration was Wonder Women Fest wherein a series of activities were conducted to celebrate Women Empowerment.

**Walkathon** 

During the celebrations, a 900-meter Walkathon conducted inside CMRL Admin Building Premises wherein Officials and Staff of CMRL participated to encourage Women Empowerment. The Walkathon was flagged off by Tmt. Sujatha Jayaraj Director (Finance), CMRL and Tmt. Punitha Sridhar, First Lady Rotary International Dist 3232. 200 Officials and Staff of CMRL participated in the Walkathon.

### Launching of Sanitary Napkin Making Machine for Rural Development Centre

As part of Wonder Women Care Campaign, CMRL in association with Geo India Foundation and Rotary Club of Chennai Thiruvanmiyur launched Sanitary Napkin Making Machine for Rural Development Centre, Chengalpet District for Tribal Community People Village.

The initiative was launched by Tmt. A.S.Kumari, Chairperson of Tamil Nadu State Commission for Women and Tmt. Sujatha Jayaraj Director (Finance), CMRL in the presence of Senior Officials and Staff of CMRL, Rotary Club of Chennai Thiruvanmiyur and Geo India Foundation. Tamil Film Industry Actor Thiru. Santhosh Prathap was present during the occasion.

In addition, a Free Medical Camp was also conducted at CMRL Admin Building for the benefit of CMRL Officials and Staff. During the camp, General Medicine,

Dental, Gynecology were performed. As part of menstrual hygiene awareness, Free Sanitary Napkins were also distributed to all Women Officials and Staff of CMRL. Thiru. Rajesh Chaturvedi, Director (System and Operations), along with Senior Officials and Staff of CMRL participated and made the celebrations a grand success.





## MUSICAL PERFORMANCES AT METRO STATIONS

CMRL in association with "On The Streets of Chennai" an independent performing group had performed a live music session at Puratchi Thalaivar Dr.M.G.Ramachandran Central Metro Station (Street Level) on 05th March 2022, Wimco Nagar Metro Station (Street Level) on 07th March 2022, Airport Metro Station (Street Level) on 12th March 2022, Guindy Metro Station (Street Level) on 12th March 2022, Guindy Metro Station (Street Level) on 14th March 2022, Vadapalani Metro Station (Street Level) on 19th March 2022, Kaladipet Metro Station (Street Level) on March 20, 2022, and Thiruvottriyur Metro Station (Street Level) on March 28, 2022. Several passengers and Public were enthralled by their performance.

### **HEALTH CAMP AT METRO STATIONS**

Chennai Metro Rail Limited in association with MGM Hospital conducted a free General Medical Health Camp for the benefit of the metro passengers and public at Metro Stations for the month of March 2022. During the Health Camp, various parameters were checked namely BMI (Height & Weight), Blood Pressure, Random Blood Sugar, Temperature and Pulse.

Around 796 nos. of persons including the Metro Passengers, Public and the Metro staff got benefited from this medical camp.













### INITIATIVE BY CMRL

In an endeavor to provide the Last Mile Connectivity to passengers travelling in Metro Trains. CMRL in association with Uber, Taxi Service Platform and Rapido Bike Taxi Service Platform, have launched last mile connectivity solutions at the Metro Stations.

### **Uber Autos at Five Metro Stations:**

The last mile connectivity measures will provide pick up and drop off zones for Uber Autos at five Metro Stations in Chennai. During the first phase of this initiative, the exclusive designated zones are set up at Guindy, Alandur, Egmore, Koyambedu, and Thirumangalam Metro Stations, enabling users to have an enhanced and seamless commute experience. Uber will also provide ground support at these designated zones to ensure riders have access to Uber Autos round the clock.

Additionally, it has rolled out a promotional offer of 20% discount (max discount Rs.50) on Auto rides, to and from these five Metro stations. The offer will be valid until August 31, 2022. To avail this offer, registered riders need to tap on the profile icon on the top right of the app's home screen, select "Wallet", scroll down to "Promotions", select "Add Promo Code" and type in the code UBERCMRL.

### Rapido Bike Taxi at 22 Metro Stations:

Rapido Bike Taxi, a growing bike taxi and auto service platform will provide last mile connectivity services at total of 22 Metro Stations namely Airport Metro, Arignar Anna Alandur Metro, Guindy Metro, Little Mount Metro, LIC Metro, Government Estate Metro, High Court Metro, Thiyagaraya College Metro, Tiruvottriyur Metro, Wimco Nagar Metro, St.Thomas Mount Metro, Ekkattuthangal Metro, Ashok Nagar Metro, Vadapalani Metro, Koyambedu Metro, Thirumangalam Metro, Anna Nagar Tower Metro, Pachaiyappa's College Metro, Kilpauk Metro, Nehru Park Metro, Egmore Metro, Puratchi Thalaivar Dr. M.G. Ramachandran Central Metro Station for commencing the services. Rapido also provides 30% discount on rides, to and from the above said metro stations. To avail the service, passengers can download the Rapido Bike Taxi app on iOS/android, login from their account, and start booking. Once booked, the amount and captain details appear on the homepage and their personnel will be at the pick- up location in no time.

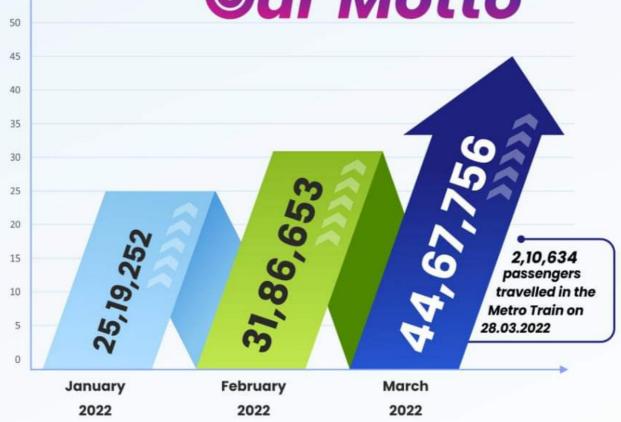
Thiru. Rajesh Chaturvedi, Director (Systems and Operations) inaugurated the Last Mile Connectivity initiatives on March 5, 2022 at Koyambedu Metro Station. Thiru. S. Satheesh Prabhu, AGM (RSO) and Senior Officials and Staff of CMRL were present during the occasion.







## Y@ur Satisfaction is Our Motto



44,67,756

பயணிகள் சென்னை மெட்ரோ இரயில்களில் பயணம் செய்துள்ளனர் (01.03.2022 முதல் 31.03.2022 வரை)



28.03.2022 அன்று 2,10,634 பயணிகள் மெட்ரோ இரயில்களில் பயணம் செய்துள்ளனர்





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Top 10 commuters who have made the maximum number of rides in a month shall be rewarded with a Gift Voucher / Branded Product of value not more than Rs.2,000/- and Travel Card with Unlimited rides for 30 days (Worth Rs.2,500/- (+) Rs.50/- Deposit).

A monthly lucky draw will be conducted for selected 10 commuters who had made a top-up of Rs.1500/- & above per transaction during the month. The lucky draw winner shall be rewarded with a gift voucher / Branded Product of value not more than Rs.2,000/-.

A monthly lucky draw will be conducted for selected 10 commuters who have purchased CMRL Travel Card and also made top-up for a minimum amount of Rs.500/- shall be rewarded with Free Top-up worth Rs.1,450/and a Gift Voucher / Branded Product of value not more than Rs.2,000/-.

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