

Press Release

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GOLD CERTIFIED LEED RATING

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Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) is a forerunner in green building certification programs worldwide which was developed by U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC). LEED provides a framework to create healthy, highly efficient and cost-saving green buildings. LEED certification is a globally recognized symbol of sustainability achievement.

The Admin Building-Depot for CMRL was selected by LEED under the New Construction category. The building was evaluated based on the categories of sustainable sites, water efficiency, energy and atmosphere, material and resources, indoor environment quality, innovation in design and regional priority credits.

The components were evaluated on the basis of the design, construction, operation, and maintenance, which aim to make the buildings environmentally responsible and use the resources effectively. Based on this method of evaluation, the Admin Building-Depot of CMRL was awarded with 70 points out of 110 points which fetched us the Gold Rating, under LEED 2009 for the New Construction.

The Gold Rating, under LEED 2009 for the New Construction category was awarded to Thiru Pankaj Kumar Bhansal, I.A.S Managing Director of Chennai Metro Rail Limited by Thiru P. Gopalakrishnan, Managing Director - APAC & Middle East, GBCI. All Directors, Chief General Managers and other officials of Chennai Metro Rail Limited were present during this event.

"Green Market transformation happens one building at a time. CMRL's initiative of taking their corporate headquarters to LEED certification exemplifies extraordinary leadership in reshaping the transit sector and walking the talk on sustainability," said Gopalakrishnan, MD - APAC & Middle East, GBCI. During the occasion, "It is yet another example of how the success of LEED is due to the partnership and support of those committed to advancing green building and sustainability. Each new LEED building is one step closer to Prime Minister's commitment on climate change", he added.

