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Press Release

Contract Agreement Signed for the Design, Manufacturing Supply, Testing, Commissioning, Maintenance and Operation of a Self-Propelled Rail-Grinding Machine of (Minimum 8 Stones) Module awarded for a value of Rs. 53.02 crores.

Chennai Metro Rail Limited has signed a Contract Agreement for Design, Manufacturing Supply, Testing, Commissioning, Maintenance and Operation of a Self-Propelled Rail-Grinding Machine of Minimum 8 Stones Module. The Contract has been awarded to M/s HARSCO RAIL LLC, USA for a value of Rs. 53.02crores (Including taxes). The Letter of Acceptance (LOA) was issued to M/s HARSCO RAIL LLC, USA on 19.07.2024.

The Contract Agreement was signed by T. Archunan, Director (Projects) on behalf of CMRL and Thiru. Siddharth Srinivasan, Managing Director on behalf of M/s HARSCO RAIL LLC, USA. Thiru. T. Livingstone Eliazer, CGM (PP&D), Tmt. Rekha Prakash, CGM (P&D), Thiru. Kalimuthu, Chief Track Expert and other officials from CMRL, General Consultant and Contractor were also present during the occasion.

This contract was awarded for supply and commissioning of Rail Grinding Machine including comprehensive annual maintenance and operation of the machine for 4 years from the date of commencement of the machine. Rail Grinding Machine is a specialized vehicle used for the maintenance of Rails. The primary function of the machine is to restore the rail profile by removing irregularities including mill scale and superficial defects occurring during operations, which helps to improve the geometric quality of the track, rail wheel contact, ride quality and reduce very high dynamic loads, noise and vibration of Metro Trains. Service life of the rails gets extended by 25% with preventive and curative grindings.

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