

WHATSAPP TICKETING SERVICE LAUNCHED



Chennai Metro Rail Limited (CMRL) launched its own WhatsApp chatbot-based QR ticketing service on May 17, 2023, aiming to make daily commuting more efficient and seamless for Chennai commuters. The chatbot is available in English and Tamil and allows users to book tickets, check fares, and select starting and destination stations.

The service is available in English and Tamil and is available for all Chennai Metro commuters. Thiru. M.A. Siddique, I.A.S., Managing Director, CMRL, stated that the WhatsApp chatbot offers a faster and easy digital solution for passengers, saving time and eliminating long queues.

The service also includes a 20% discount. The terms and conditions of the WhatsApp Ticketing service include generating QR tickets for single journey and group tickets up to a maximum of 6, validity after the business day, and exiting at the source station within 20 minutes. Ticket bookings cannot be made after business hours, and cancellations are not allowed.

Thiru. Rajesh Chaturvedi Director (Systems and Operations), Thiru. T. Archunan Director (Projects), Associate Director of Karix, Thiru. Aliasgar Shabbir Bhopalwala, Senior officials and staff of CMRL were present during the occasion.

CONTRACT AWARDED

The overall design of the electrical system is centered on supplying safe, dependable, and stable electricity, as well as efficient electrical system performance, in order to provide uninterrupted services.

CMRL/PHASE-II/SYS/CP20.1/PS-06/2021 FOR RS.533.87 CRORES TO M/S. LARSEN & TOUBRO LIMITED

To provide the reliable Power Supply functions of 29 Underground Stations & 10 Elevated Stations of Corridor 3 and 6 Underground Stations & 11 Elevated Stations of Corridor 5 and Depot at Madhavaram. CMRL had recently floated a tender for Contract No. CMRL/PHASE-II/SYS/CP20.1/PS-06/2021 "Design, Manufacturing, Supply, Installation, Testing, Training and Commissioning of RSS, ASS & SCADA for CMRL Phase II - Corridor 3 (From Madhavaram Milk Colony to Sholinganallur) and Corridor 5 (Madhavaram Milk Colony to CMBT, including Depot at Madhavaram)" funded by JICA. The tender has been awarded to M/s. Larsen & Toubro Limited for an amount of Rs.533.87 Crores

CMRL/PHASE-II/SYS/CP20.2-OHE-07/2021 FOR RS.239.41 CRORES TO M/S. LARSEN & TOUBRO LTD.

To provide reliable OHE for Corridor 3 which is total length of 35.043 km & Corridor 5 which is total length of 16.16 km. The total track km of Madhavaram depot is 21.0 km. CMRL awarded the tender for the design, manufacturing, supply, installation, testing, training, and commissioning of OHE & switching stations for CMRL Phase II, covering Corridor 3 and Corridor 5. The tender was awarded to M/s. Larsen & Toubro Limited for Rs.239.41 Crores.

The contract agreements were signed by Thiru. Rajesh Chaturvedi, Director (Systems and Operations), CMRL and Thiru. Sunil Khattar, Vice President & Head-Metro Business Unit, Larsen & Toubro Limited on May 24, 2023 at MetroS, Nandanam, Chennai. Senior officials of CMRL and Larsen & Toubro Limited were present during the occasion.





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Keeps the Wheels Turning,
Moving the City Forward!**

01
ஜனவரி
January
66,07,458

02
பிப்ரவரி
February
63,69,282

03
மார்ச்
March
69,99,341

04
ஏப்ரல்
April
66,85,432

05
மே
May
72,68,007

**அதிகபட்சமாக
Maximum of**

2,64,974

பயணிகள் மெட்ரோ இரயில்களில்
24.05.2023 அன்று
பயணம் செய்துள்ளனர்
passengers travelled
in the Metro Train on
24.05.2023



FACTORY ACCEPTANCE TEST OF 2ND TUNNEL BORING MACHINE FOR CORRIDOR 4, UG 01

CMRL's ambitious Phase II for a network of 118.9 km is a gargantuan feat undertaken at one stretch and a first of its kind in India with 119 stations in three corridors.

Corridor-4 (From Light House to Poonamalee Bypass) - 26.1 KM. Chennai Metro Rail Limited (CMRL) has been implementing the construction of underground metro rail project corridor 4 from Light House Station at Marina Beach to Kodambakkam Flyover. The underground section of this corridor is split into two packages (UG-01 & UG-02) each of which contains 4 KM of twin tunnels. In order to complete the approximately 16KM of tunnelling, four Tunnel Boring Machines (TBM) have been proposed to execute the entire tunnelling of approximately 16 KM considering both Upline & Downline tunnels.

These Tunnel Boring Machines manufactured by reputable German company M/s Herrenknecht, a pioneer in the production of TBMs for various types of the tunneling needs, will be used by CMRL's contractor M/s ITD Cementation India Limited.

The Factory Acceptance Test of 3rd Tunnel Boring Machine of the corridor which is 2nd TBM for UG-01 package is successfully done in presence of CMRL's officials and various officers from General Consultants, M/s AEON Consortium at HK factory in Thiruvallur District, Ponneri Thaluk, Alinjivakkam village, Chennai.

The name of this Tunnel Boring Machine is Flamingo (S1352A) which is a 6.670 M bore diameter and 110 m long Earth Pressure Balance Machine. The total weight of this machine is approximately 700 MT which will now be dismantled in parts, packed and transported to its destination at Light House Station, Marina Beach. The construction of the TBM launching Shaft is under progress at Light House Station and is expected to be ready to lower and assemble the TBM in the month of August 2023.

This TBM will be launched in Downline of this corridor-4 and will mine at a maximum depth of 29 m below ground starting from Light House, Kutchery Road, Thirumayilai, Alwarpet, Bharatidasan and finally scheduled to arrive at Boat Club in Nov 2025.



CMRL, WINNER FOR THE CATEGORY UNDER “LEADING PRACTICES” IN IMPACTFUL HR STRATEGY FOR THE YEAR 2023.

Chennai Metro Rail Limited had recently presented a paper on “Leading Practices” in impactful HR Strategy adopted by CMRL in Human Resource forum conducted by PeopleFirst Organisation. Based on the paper presentation on subject matter, the Jury Members awarded CMRL as WINNER for the category under “Leading Practices” in Impactful HR Strategy for the year 2023.

The PeopleFirst HR Excellence Awards is the most coveted, sought after and the longest running awards in the field of HR. They recognise the professionals and companies who are stretching the boundaries of people’s strategy. This year nominations to the overall categories included 200+ entries from 90+ organizations across a cross section of industries including Manufacturing, Automobile, Telecom, IT, Banking, Financial services, Insurance etc.

CMRL was one among the top award winner in the said category for the year 2023. Jury members were impressed with the quality of both, the nomination story as well as the presentation. Overall, the jury feedback received is a testament of CMRL’s interest, commitment and zeal to excel.

NO FREE PARKING AT NANGANALLUR ROAD METRO STATION FROM JUNE 1, 2023

To meet the parking demand of Metro Passengers, recently CMRL had opened a new parking lot at Nanganallur Road Metro Station. This parking lot accommodates approximately 1000 two wheelers and 60 four wheelers.

The new parking lot created at Nanganallur Road Metro Station as part of providing numerous services to passengers was operated free of charge solely for Metro Passengers from April 28, 2023 to May 31, 2023.

In this connection, as the May Month draws to a close, passengers can henceforth utilise the parking facility by paying the parking charges through CMRL travel card or digital payment modes from June 1, 2023.

GIFT VOUCHERS AND REWARDS DISTRIBUTED TO THE 30 WINNERS OF LUCKY DRAW

CMRL had introduced exciting schemes to encourage passengers to utilize the Metro Train Services since March 21, 2022. As part of the Monthly Lucky Draw (21st February – 20th March 2023), 30 winners were selected and the prize distribution was held at Thiru.Vi.Ka.Park, Shenoy Nagar Metro Station. The Gift vouchers and rewards were distributed by Thiru. Rajesh Chaturvedi, Director (Systems and Operations), CMRL. So far a total of 360 passengers were selected by Monthly Lucky Draw in the past 12 months and received rewards totalling Rs. 12 lakhs.

Mark Metro Director V.K. Ilangumanan presided over the event and announced that a reward will be granted to the artist who showcased his talent during the event. Following that, one boy demonstrated his dancing abilities. He was also given the prize during the event. On stage, 17 boys and girls also demonstrated their dance abilities. Each of the 17 participants received a Metro Rail Travel Card.

Thiru. S. Satheesh Prabhu, AGM (RSO), Thiru. V. Vijayaradhan, JGM (Marketing), Managers, Tmt. P.Lakshmi (Revenue), Thiru. K.S.Arun (Operations) and Thiru. Altaf Hussain (Operations), Deputy Manager, Tmt. A.Arulratha (Operations), Mark Metro General Manager Srinivasan, and Senior Officials and Staff of CMRL were present during the occasion.



Technology show at Koyambedu Maintenance Depot

On the 17th and 18th of May 2023, CMRL, in collaboration with ACMA (The Automotive Component Manufacturers Association of India), held a technology show at Koyambedu Maintenance Depot. This two-day technology show served as a platform for innovation and collaboration between buyers and exhibitors, primarily to identify metro system components and develop vendors in Tamil Nadu to reduce dependency on suppliers, cost control, and reduce lead time and in-time availability of materials for ensuring timely metro system maintenance. The tech show featured approximately 25 companies. CMRL also showcased the components and spares of various systems like as rolling stock, signalling and telecom, and traction, among others.

The event is inaugurated by Thiru. Rajesh Chaturvedi, Director (Systems and Operations), CMRL and Mrs. Shuba Kumar, Chairperson of ACMA along with other higher officials from CMRL, ACMA & FaMe TN.

The goal of the Technology Show was to familiarise manufacturers with the parts and components required by Chennai Metro for asset manufacturing. The emphasis has been placed on local manufacturing of imported components, with indigenization delivering cost savings.



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