

50th National Safety Week celebrated at Chennai Metro Rail Limited

CMRL celebrated 50th National Safety Week (22nd March 2021 - 26th March 2021). During the celebrations, various activities were conducted as part of creating Safety Related Awareness at CMRL Admin Building and at CMRL construction sites. Various competitions like Essay writing, Slogans, Posters, Safety workshop, safety performance etc., were conducted at CMRL project sites for contractors and at CMRL Admin Building for officials and staff to create awareness on safety issues.

As part of the celebration, Safety and Health Pledge was administered by Thiru. Pradeep Yadav, I.A.S., Managing Director, CMRL to all the officials and staff at CMRL Admin Building at Koyamebdu.

During the occasion, MD, CMRL delivered a special address underlining the importance of creating safety culture among the employees, achieving zero accidents, improving safety and behaviour based on safety culture etc., and also highlighted that CMRL had recently received the prestigious World Safety Organization Award from World Safety Organization.

Thiru. Rajeev Narayan Dwivedi, Director (Projects), officials and staff of CMRL were present during the occasion.



Fire Alarm Mock Drill conducted at Koyambedu Metro Station

As part of observance of Safety Awareness Week, a Fire Alarm Mock Drill was conducted at Koyambedu Metro Station on 25th March 2021. All Staff (SC / Ticketing / Housekeeping / Security Staff) at Koyambedu Metro Station participated in the Mock Drill. During the Mock Drill, the participants were given hands-on training on operating Fire Alarm Control Panel, Manual Calling Point (MCP) operating procedure for rescuing of passengers during an emergency, different types of Fire Extinguishers, Demonstration on how to use a Fire extinguisher, Fire Hydrant were given.

Passengers were sensitized with necessary manual announcements through Standby (PA/VA) Control Panel about the Fire Alarm Mock Drill.



Installation of Sustainable and Eco-Friendly Green Boxes at Metro Station

CMRL in its endeavour to provide several sustainable and eco-friendly amenities, had decided to install Green boxes of Sciophytes plant species in shaded areas of the Platform for generating more oxygen and also enhancing aesthetic appeal of the Metro Stations. As a pilot venture, the Green boxes which are made up of eco-friendly materials have been installed at Koyambedu Metro Station. These Green Boxes have been placed on a sand filled tray to collect the excess water draining from the box, thereby preventing water spillage into the platform.



Raphix Excelsa (Lady Palm), Pentanus, Schefflera Variegated (Dwarf Umbrella Plant) etc., are foliage indoor plants/shrubs that have been planted in the Green Boxes which helps in absorbing Carbon di-oxide, and also purify the air in the Metro Station. In addition to the above, several innovative initiatives namely creating an Ecological Vibrant Unit in Project area to have more Greenery and Sustainable ecosystem. It will continuously help in minimizing the pollution and attenuate the environmental impact.

Thiru. Pradeep Yadav, I.A.S., Managing Director, CMRL inspected the new venture at Koyambedu Metro Station. Senior Officials of CMRL were also present during the inspection

Over 93.68 lakh passengers travelled in Chennai Metro Trains from September 7th to March 31, 2021 28.17 lakh passengers travelled in Chennai Metro Trains in March, 2021

Chennai Metro Rail resumed its services in a graded manner from 7th September 2020. A total of 93,68,304 passengers travelled in the Metro Train from 7th September 2020 to 31st March 2021. A total of 13,43,695 passengers have travelled in the Metro Trains from 01st January 2021 to 31st January 2021. A total of 20,54,653 passengers have travelled in the Metro Trains from 01st February 2021 to 28th February 2021. A total of 28,17,510 passengers have travelled in the Metro Trains from 01st March 2021 to 31st March 2021.

On 8th March 2021 a total of 1,01,163 passengers have used the Metro Trains to commute. A total of 2,12,941 passengers have utilised the recently launched QR code ticketing system from September, 2020 to March, 2021 and 47,81,943 passengers have used Travel Card Ticketing System from September, 2020 to March, 2021. In the month of March, 2021 a total of 62,586 passengers have utilised the QR Code ticketing system. While 13,17,093 passengers have used Travel Card Ticketing System.

CMRL offers a 20% discount on QR Code Ticketing namely Single Journey Q.R Ticket, Return Journey Q.R Ticket, Group Q.R Ticket and Q.R Trip passes from 11.09.2020. 10% discount is already available for passengers using Travel Cards.

Safety Comes First!

Dr. C. Sylendra Babu I.P.S., DGP & Director of TNFRS and Tmt. Priya Ravichandran, Joint Director along with their team had visited the Phase 1 Extension Metro Stations from Sir Thiyagaraya College Metro Station till Wimco Nagar Metro Station on 19th February 2021.

During the visit, Several fire safety aspects were inspected and the team were satisfied with the fire and passengers life related safety measures carried out by CMRL at all Metro Stations.



Importance of Voting and Covid-19 Awareness Drive

As part of creating safety awareness to general public and passengers travelling in the Metro Train, it was planned to conduct Awareness programs on the importance of voting in the upcoming Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly General Election 2021 and Covid-19 related awareness drives in the Metro Stations and Metro Trains.

CMRL associated with On the Streets of Chennai an independent performing group which performed a live music session at Tondiarpet Metro Station, inside the Metro Train between Wimco Nagar to Central and Central to Airport (via Koyambedu) and at Wimco Nagar Metro Stations on 6th, 13th and 20th and 27th March 2021.

Nimirvu Kalaiyagam an outstanding Parai performing group performed at Vadapalani, Guindy and Puratchi Thalaivar Dr.M.G.Ramachandran Central Metro Stations on 13th,14th and 21st March 2021.

Bharathiyar Silambam Training Center also performed varied cultural programs (Parai and Silambam) at Puratchi Thalaivar Dr.M.G.Ramachandran Central Metro Station on 27th March 2021.



Safety Awareness Week Celebrations

As a part of observance of safety awareness week March 2021, Operations Department of CMRL organized a series of events for the benefit of its Officials and Staff :

Safety seminar- A speech on safety and the roles of Operation & Maintenance staff in ensuring safe operations of metro systems was delivered by Thiru K.A Manoharan, Advisor (Signaling & Telecom)/CMRL.

Quiz program on Safety Operations was conducted wherein a total of 39 staff members of Operation Department of various categories, namely, Train Operators, Traffic Controllers, Station Controllers & Revenue Controllers had participated in the Quiz competition.

Essay writing on Creating Safe Environment in Work Place was conducted wherein a total of 13 staff members participated in the Essay Writing Competition. Slogan Writing was also conducted for the Staff of Operations Department wherein a total of 20 staff members participated and expressed their innovative ideas on Safety Slogans.

In the **Speech Competition**, Participants were given the topic named "General safety mistakes and prevention" where in several Operation Department staff members participated enthusiastically.



SI NO	COMPETITION	NO OF PARTICIPANTS	PRIZE CATEGORY	WINNERS (Thiru/Tmt/Selvi)	DESIGNATION
1	QUIZ COMPETITION	39 IN 8 TEAMS	FIRST	L. VIGNESH KUMAR	RC
				YOGARAJ RAJENDRAN	DMR / RSMP
				V. S. SARUNDAS	TR/DMR/RSMP
				D. AJAY MURUGAN	DMR / RSMP
				K. RATHNA RAMALAKSHMI	TR/DMR/RSMP
			M. VIJAY KUMAR	DMR / RSMP	
			SECOND	S. DHAVAN DEV	JE / SC Trg
				M. MOHAMMEDALI JINNA	JE / SC Trg
				P. ANANDA KUMAR	JE / SC Trg
				C. KARUNAKARAN	JE / SC Trg
				G. M. MOHAMMED YOUSUFF	JE / SC Trg
				M. SAKTHIVEERAVEL	TC
				B. KIRUBANANTHAN	JE / SC Trg
			THIRD	K. ABENAASH	TO Trg
				K. RUBESH	RC
S. FAIZUL AHAMED	RC				
J. MOHAMMED KOWSER	RC				
P. RAVISANKAR	AM				
L. TAMILMARAN	TO Trg				
2	ESSAY WRITING	13	FIRST	G. PANNERSELVAM	JE / SC Trg
			SECOND	G. GNANA PRAKASH	JE / SC Trg
			THIRD	D. KESAVARANJANI	RC
3	SLOGAN WRITING	20	FIRST	R. LOGANATHAN	SC
			SECOND	L. TAMILMARAN	TO Trg
			THIRD	K. UMASHANKAR	JE / SC Trg
4	SPEECH COMPETITION	8	FIRST	C. KARUNAKARAN	JE / SC Trg
			SECOND	R. LOGANATHAN	SC
			THIRD	B. KIRUBANANTHAN	JE / SC Trg

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