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CMRL to Enforce Fines on Use of Chewable Tobacco Products in Metro Trains and Stations

Consumption of tobacco in any form is seriously injurious to health and contributes to the spread of unhygienic conditions in public spaces taking into consideration the increasing public complaints regarding the use of chewable tobacco products and the resulting spitting and littering within metro trains and premises, CMRL is stepping up its enforcement measures to maintain cleanliness and hygiene.

To curb such behavior, CMRL will intensify patrols during non-peak hours and implement random physical checks at all metro stations, as chewable tobacco products cannot be detected through metal detectors. Platform security personnel are being sensitized to closely monitor passenger activity, while the Central Security Surveillance Room located in Koyambedu has been instructed to actively watch for violations and immediately alert the on-ground security teams.

Enhanced surveillance will also be carried out both at stations and inside trains. Passengers found violating CMRL's cleanliness and behavioral norms will be fined in accordance with the Metro Railways (Operation and Maintenance) Act, 2002, and Metro Railways Carriage and Ticket Rules, 2014.

CMRL urges all commuters to cooperate in ensuring a clean, safe, and pleasant travel experience for everyone. Let's work together to keep our metro system tobacco-free and welcoming for all.

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