

Press Release

Extension of Metro Train Services from 05:30 am and one hour increase in Peak Hour Services (Morning and Evening) from tomorrow (08-07-2021) with several safety measures

Chennai Metro Rail Limited has been operating its passenger services from 21st June 2021 post lockdown imposed by Government of Tamil Nadu due to COVID-19 pandemic. Presently CMRL is operating its Metro Train Services with 50% capacity as per the instructions of Government of Tamil Nadu.

To cater to the increased demand for Metro Train Services in the early hours, CMRL has decided to extend its Metro Train services from 05:30 am instead of 06:30 am to 09:00 pm from tomorrow (08-07-2021). In addition, the Peak Hour services have also been extended from 08:00 am to 11:00 am in the morning and from 05:00 pm to 08:00 pm in the evening with existing 5-minute headway during Peak hours and 10-minute headway during Non-peak hours.

Covid-19 Safety measures undertaken by CMRL:

- All Trains and Metro Stations are being disinfected frequently.
- Crowd Control / Platform Management Staff have been deployed in Stations and Suitable markings like "X" have been indicated on alternate seats both in trains and platforms to ensure social distancing.

A penalty of Rs.200/- is being imposed for not properly wearing Face Masks in Metro Trains and Metro Stations. So far a total of 34 passengers have been levied penalty from 21-06-2021 till 06-07-2021 for non-adherence and a sum of Rs.6800 has been collected as penalty.

CMRL has been strictly following its policy to ensure all passengers wear their Face Masks properly and a separate squad has also been deployed for this purpose.

Hence passengers are requested to wear Face Masks properly and maintain social distancing while waiting in the Metro Stations as also during travelling in Metro Trains and to cooperate in the fight against the spread of Covid-19.

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