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### **Press Release**

#### **Stringent monitoring and inspection at all Phase 2 project sites, Stations and Depot to Tackle North-East Monsoon Season**

- To tackle the ongoing North-East Monsoon Season, CMRL has taken several precautionary measures and deployed adequate water pumps of various capacities across the construction sites to address water stagnation. CMRL is well prepared to tackle any situation which may arise during the Monsoon season.
- The CMRL team has been closely monitoring the waterlogging situation and implementing immediate dewatering measures at both Phase 2 project sites and to avoid disruptions during train operations. The inspections have been ongoing since October 14, 2024, and will continue till the monsoon season is completed.
- **On October 16, 2024**, Thiru. M.A. Siddique, I.A.S., MD, CMRL along with Thiru. T. Archunan Director (Projects) has been inspecting various construction sites along Corridor 3 and 4 of the Phase 2 project, including Purasaiwakkam, Alwarpet, Taramani, Gemini, Nungambakkam, Purasaiwakkam, Madhya Kailash, Perungudi, and SIPCOT. The CMRL team is closely monitoring the performance of water pumps of different sizes used to address waterlogging and dewatering at all Metro sites. Thiru. K.J. Praveen Kumar, I.A.S. GCC- Regional Deputy Commissioner (Central) along with Thiru.Palanivel, Chief General Manager, TNRDC, Tmt. Shirley Benjamin, Superintending Engineer, TNRDC and officials of CMRL, GCC and TNRDC were present during the inspection.
- **On October 15, 2024**, Thiru. M.A. Siddique, I.A.S., MD, CMRL along with Thiru. T. Archunan Director (Projects) inspected the CMRL Koyambedu Depot, Coovum River.
- Through a joint effort, CMRL and TNRDC have successfully mitigated waterlogging issues along the OMR-Sholingallur stretch. Overnight operations have resulted in the complete removal of stagnant water, ensuring improved traffic flow and reducing inconvenience to commuters.

#### **Deployment of Adequate Pumps to tackle the Northeast Monsoon Season:**

- CMRL has already deployed 394 water pumps with various capacities to constantly monitor rising water levels and to dewater flooded areas. The water pumps have been deployed in all three corridors of the Phase-2 project: Corridor 3 (Madhavaram Milk Colony to Siruseri-SIPCOT), Corridor 4

(Lighthouse to Poonamallee Depot), and Corridor 5 (Madhavaram Milk Colony to Sholinganallur).

- 137 nos of water pumps with various capacities have been deployed in Corridor 3, with 116 nos in the Madhavaram to Taramani section, 13 in the Nehru Nagar to Sholinganallur section, and 8 in the Sholinganallur to Siruseri SIPCOT section.
- 154 nos of water pumps with various capacities have been deployed in Corridor 4, with 122 nos in the Lighthouse to Powerhouse section, 32 nos in the Powerhouse to Poonamallee Bypass section including Poonamallee Depot.
- 103 nos of water pumps with various capacities have been deployed in Corridor 5, with 60nos at Assisi Nagar to Grain market section including Madhavaram depot, 43nos from Grain market to Sholinganallur section.
- It is also being highlighted that CMRL has installed four water pumps in Panagal Park, two with 100 HP motor capacity and one with 25 HP, & one 10 HP motor capacity. The collected water will be stored in a 1.25 lakh liter Panagal Park sump constructed by CMRL and then diverted to the Nandanam Canal.
- CMRL is also working closely with the Greater Chennai Corporation to ensure that the city is well-prepared for the Monsoon season. CMRL is committed to the safety and well-being of its passengers and the public. The organization is taking all necessary steps to ensure that the Phase-2 project is completed on time, even during the challenging Monsoon season

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