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**Tests and Trials for Safety Certification of Trains and Track begins in the CMRL
Phase 2 Corridor from Poonamallee Bypass to Porur Junction Metro Stations**

Chennai Metro Rail Limited has commenced safety certification trials on Phase 2, Stage 1A, covering the stretch from Poonamallee Bypass to Porur Junction, in preparation for the commencement of passenger services later. The tests and trials are being conducted by the external independent agency RDSO of Ministry of Railways as per the rules in force for certification of metro rail coaches. The rule in force provides for technical clearance safety certification by RDSO, Ministry of Railways, and Government of India.

To meet this requirement, trials have begun since August 16, 2025, and likely to continue for about two weeks. During this period, passenger ride comfort is being evaluated at varying speeds up to the design speed of 90 kmph, along with detailed verification of traction and braking performance of the trains along with the track. Successful completion of these tests will ensure that the new corridor and rolling stock are complying with the safety standards, to ensure passenger safety, before being opened to the public.

The safety certification trials were witnessed by Thiru. M.A. Siddique, I.A.S., Managing Director, CMRL, accompanied by CMRL Directors Thiru. T. Archunan, Director (Projects), Thiru. S. Krishnamurthy, Director (Finance), Thiru. Manoj Goyal, Director (Systems & Operations) along with Thiru. A.R. Rajendran, Chief General Manager (RS, S&T), and other senior officials of CMRL and General Consultants were present during the occasion.

Thiru. M.A. Siddique, I.A.S., MD, CMRL, stated "The commencement of safety certification trials marks achievement of a significant milestone in the progress of the Phase 2 Project of CMRL. These trials, being conducted along the viaduct Section 1A, covering the stretch from Poonamallee Bypass to Porur Junction at 90 kmph and covered the distance within 9 minutes. We reaffirm our commitment to meeting the highest standards of safety and reliability. With steady progress, we are moving closer to commissioning the project for the benefit of the public."

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