

CMRL Hosted I-Metro Civil Working Group Meeting on April 1 & 2, 2026



Chennai Metro Rail Limited, a prominent member of the Indian Metro Rail Organizations' Society (I-Metro), successfully hosted the I-Metro Civil Working Group Meeting-2 on April 1 and 2, 2026.

The meeting witnessed active participation from senior officials and delegates representing several Metro rail organizations, including Mumbai Metro Rail Corporation Limited (MMRCL), National Capital Region Transport Corporation (NCRTC), Delhi Metro Rail Corporation (DMRC), Kochi Metro Rail

Limited (KMRL), MAHA Metro, and Uttar Pradesh Metro Rail Corporation (UPMRC).

During the inaugural session, Thiru T. Archunan, Director (Projects), CMRL, delivered the welcome address and highlighted several innovative construction practices adopted by CMRL.

- During the discussion on Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA) terms of reference for revising civil standards for Metro systems
- Innovative construction technologies such as Balanced Centilevel Method (BCM), double-decker viaducts, stacked underground stations, prefabricated RRTS slab track systems, single-piece cross-arms, U-shell portal beams, and de-linking of underground stations and tunnels were also discussed during the meeting,
- Artificial Intelligence (AI)-powered tender management systems, Best practices in construction safety and quality management, Standardization of construction contracts, Standardization of outline design and construction specifications, Challenges faced during operations and maintenance, along with suitable remedial measures.

Tmt. Rekha Prakash, CGM (P&D) along with Thiru Goddati Hariprasad, GM (EC), Thiru R. Srinivasan, JGM (Civil), Thiru P. Kowndinya Bose, JGM (QA/QC), and Thiru M. Seenivasan, JGM (ED) participated in the meeting

Travel in Chennai Metro for ‘IPL 2026’ with exclusive Sponsored Metro Rides

Chennai Metro Rail Limited collaborated with Chennai Super Kings Cricket Limited (CSKCL) to offer sponsored metro services for IPL 2026 spectators in Chennai.

For Matches held in Chennai in the month of April 2026. Ticket holders were provided sponsored round-trip metro travel to and from Government Estate Metro Station using their match tickets (digital or physical).



CMRL Issued Advisory on Metro Etiquette; Noise Violations Penalised

CMRL issued an advisory urging passengers to follow metro etiquette and be considerate towards fellow commuters.

Under Section 59 of the Metro Railway (Operations and Maintenance) Act, 2002, activities causing nuisance—such as loud mobile conversations, playing audio/video without headphones, or using speaker mode—were classified as punishable offences.

Passengers found violating these norms will be liable to a fine of up to ₹500 and could be removed from metro premises if required.

CMRL advised commuters to use headphones and avoid loud behaviour to ensure a comfortable travel experience for all.

CMRL Discontinued Travel Card; Transitioned to Singara Chennai Card

CMRL has introduced Singara Chennai Card – National Common Mobility Card since April 14, 2023 in addition to the CMRL Travel card. As per Government of India guidelines CMRL has planned to completely switch over to Singara Chennai Card – National Common Mobility Card from May 1, 2026 for seamless travel in public transports of India.

Hence, for further usage in metro trains or at metro parking, passengers shall transfer the remaining value of CMRL travel card to QR Stored Value Pass (SVP) purchased through CMRL Mobile App or National Common Mobility Card.

CMRL remains committed to providing secure, reliable, and transparent travel experience for all commuters. We sincerely regret any inconvenience caused and seek your continued patronage.

CMRL Recorded 90.18 Lakh Passengers in April 2026

Chennai Metro Rail Limited recorded a total ridership of 90,18,069 passengers between April 1, 2026. and April 30, 2026. The highest single-day ridership was observed on April 2, 2026, with 3,65,807 passengers.

CMRL continued to offer a 20% discount on NCMC cards and digital QR ticketing platforms such as WhatsApp, Paytm, PhonePe, and the CMRL Mobile App, excluding paper QR tickets purchased at counters.





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