

Alstom outbids China firm to bag Mumbai Metro 3 contract

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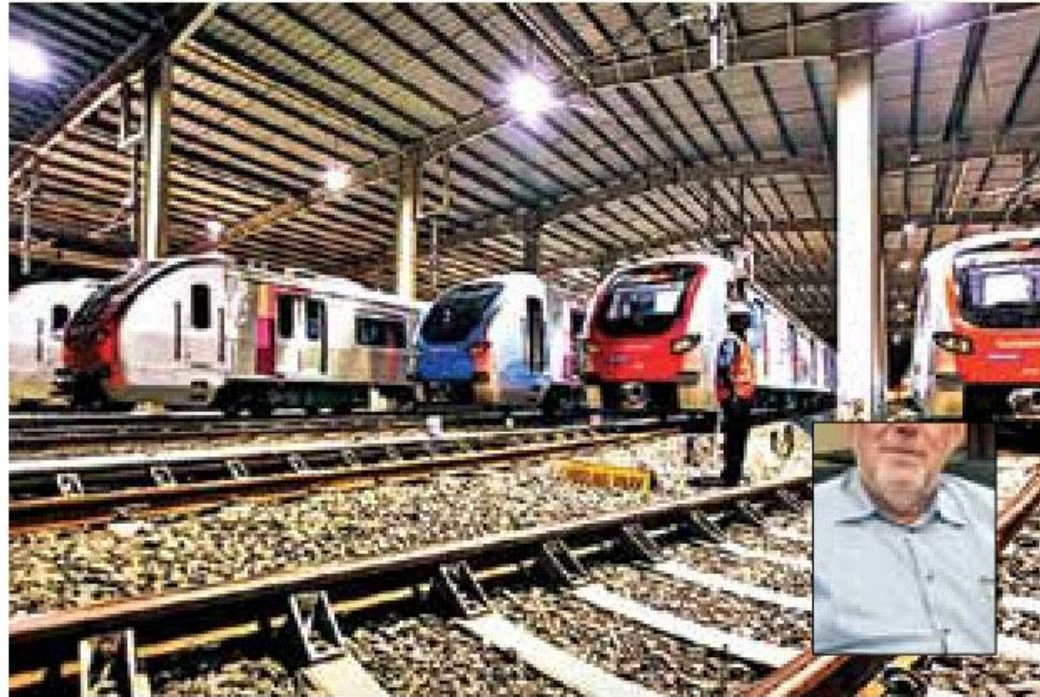
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French multinational Alstom has outbid Chinese publicly traded rolling stock (metro coaches) manufacturer CRRC Corporation and Bombardier to bag contract worth Euro 315 million from Mumbai Metro Rail Corporation (MMRC) for 33.5 km Metro 3 between Cuffe Parade & SEEPZ.

The company will supply 248 metro cars. There are 31 lightweight, fully furnished modern passenger trains of 8 cars each. The formal contract was signed on Monday in the presence of MMRC Managing Director Ashwini Bhide.

Alstom Managing Director (India and South Asia) Alain Spohr told DNA, "The first train sets will arrive in Mumbai in 2020 and deliveries for all train sets will be completed mid 2022. The designing and development of the metro cars will be undertaken out of Alstom's Bangalore engineering centre while state of the art rolling stock will be manufactured at Sri City unit near Chennai. The company will also train MMRC personnel."

Spohr informed that trains will have special feature of 40% regenerative energy gen-



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erated during braking for captive use. "Likely emission's reductions on implementation of project are expected to be 1 lakh ton CO2 emissions per annum at the beginning. Metro 3 will be 100% electricity driven System, leading to zero carbon emission. Moreover, 25kV AC traction with regenerative braking system will be used to save energy

costs and generate electricity that can be used at other metro stations," he said.

Alstom has emerged the lowest bidder too for the signaling system for Metro and hoped to get the contract for the same.

Further, Alstom will bid for the upcoming opportunities in Maharashtra which includes supply of rolling stock for Metro 2 connecting Dahisar to DN Nagar to Mankhurd and Metro 7 connecting Andheri and Dahisar and Pune metro.

According to Spohr, the company will also bid for Metro opportunities in Bengaluru and also for signaling.

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