

## Colaba-Bandra-SEEPZ

### **Mumbai Metro Line III completes 2 kms alignment**

*All 17 TBMs are expected to run swiftly by July 2018*

**Mumbai, May 7, 2018:** Mumbai Metro Rail Corporation (MMRC), implementing city's first underground corridor, Colaba-Bandra-SEEPZ has completed 2192 meters of tunneling. MMRC is using Tunnel Boring Machines (TBMs) at various Launching Shafts for tunnel construction of Mumbai Metro Line III.

The line III has so far received eleven TBMs, out of which eight have been lowered and have started main drives.

Appended is the status of the tunnelling work at the different sites:

**Azad Maidan Launch Shaft:** The two TBMs of package 2 will construct 4.5 km of tunnels up to Grant Road. These TBMs, Vaitarna 1 and 2, have so far completed 450 meters of tunnelling

**Naya Nagar Launch Shaft:** The two TBMs of package 4 will construct 2.5 km tunnel up to Dadar metro station. These TBMs, Krishna 1 and 2, have tunnelled 1005 meters so far

**Vidyanagari Launch Shaft:** The two TBMs of package 5 will dig 2.98 km of tunnels up to CSIA Domestic Airport. These TBMs Godavari 1 and 2 have completed 342 meters of boring so far

**Marol Naka Launch Shaft:** The two TBMs of package 7 will construct 1.2 km of tunnels up to CSIA International Airport. These TBMs, Vainganga 1 and 2 have tunnelled 395 meters so far

Ms. Ashwini Bhide, Managing Director, MMRC said, "It is indeed a milestone to complete more than 2kms of tunneling in a short span. With 15 TBMs already having completed Factory Acceptance Test (FAT), we hope to have all the 17 TBMs running by July 2018." She further added, "I would like to thank all the citizens for their continued cooperation. This progress wouldn't have been possible without their support."

The TBMs, Surya, Vaitarna, Tanasa, Krishna, Godavari, Tapi and Vainganga, have been named after the rivers flowing in Maharashtra. (Ends)

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