

Colaba- Bandra-SEEPZ Metro 3 Corridor

MMRC completes plantation on 17000 trees.

Mumbai, August 2, 2018: Mumbai Metro Rail Corporation has completed plantation of 17000 trees on the degraded land parcels in Sanjay Gandhi National Park. MMRC in coordination with the Director SGNP have planned to plant 20,900 trees during this monsoon as part of compensatory plantation of Mumbai Metro 3 as well as MMRC's CSR initiative. An MOU to that effect was signed between MMRC and SGNP in December 2017.

The plantation drive was inaugurated at the hands of Hon MP Smt Poonam Mahajan on July 13, 2018.

The second leg of the Plantation drive was conducted on, 1st August 2018. Senior Dignitaries from MCGM including, Dr. Kishore Kshirsagar - Deputy Municipal Commissioner - MCGM, Shri Jeetendra Pardeshi, Superintendent of Gardens - MCGM and Shri Charuhas M Jadhav Chief Project Manager 5 - MMRC were present during the plantation programme. So far MMRC with the help of SGNP officials have planted 17000 trees and aims to complete this plantation of 20,900 trees by this week. The plantation has been undertaken in 19 ha land within SGNP wherein there were degraded forest patches and some encroachments which were removed by SGNP. MMRC has committed to maintain these trees for next seven years.

In view of this development, **Ms. Ashwini Bhide, Manging Director said**, "We are delighted that we will soon complete the plantation process with the support of SGNP and the trees will be well maintained for the next 7 years."

All the trees planted during this initiative are 10 to 12 feet tall and of Indian Native Species such as Wad, Pimpal, Kadamb, Bakul and Neem .

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