

# **MMRC completes 2K m of tunneling**

**Mumbai:** Mumbai Metro Rail Corporation (MMRC), implementing city's first underground corridor, Colaba-Bandra-SEEPZ has completed 2,192 meters of tunneling. MMRC is using Tunnel Boring Machines (TBMs) at various launching shafts for tunnel construction of Mumbai Metro Line III. The shafts are at Azad Maidan, Naya nagar, Vidyanagri and Marol Naka.

The line III has so far received eleven TBMs, out of which eight have been lowered and have started main drives. Ashwini Bhide, managing director, MMRC said, "It is indeed a milestone to complete more than 2 km 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.