

MMRC completes 5 km of tunnelling for Metro 3

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THE MUMBAI Metro Rail Corporation (MMRC) completed 5,100 metres of tunnelling for the construction of the underground Metro 3 on Tuesday.

Currently, eight Tunnel Boring Machines (TBMs) are working underground to construct twin tunnels for the 33-km corridor.

“With the strong and ceaseless support from all our stakeholders, we are positive to complete the project by December 2021,” said Ashwini Bhide, managing director, MMRC.

While all the 17 TBMs have completed the Factory Acceptance Test (FAT) and 15 of them have already arrived in the city, only eight have been lowered and another three are in the process of lowering.

“Towards the end of July 2018, two more TBMs will be lowered and the remaining TBMs will be lowered by the end of September 2018. All 17 TBMs are expected to be working in full swing by October 2018,” said a spokesperson from MMRC.