## 55 per cent of work on Metro line 3 completed: MMRCL

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AS MUCH as 55 per cent of construction work on Metro line 3, connecting Colaba-Bandra-SEEPZ, has been completed so far, the MMRCL said.

The Mumbai Metro Rail

Corporation Limited (MMRCL), the special purpose vehicle implementing the Metro line 3 project, had set a target of completing 70 per cent of overall civil work of the corridor by the end of 2020. The Metro is projectd to be operational by December 2021.

Speaking to The Indian

Express, an MMRCL spokesperson said 75 per cent of tunneling work for the corridor has been completed (40 km of 56.6 km). Excavation for 13 stations — Cuffe Parade, Vidhan Bhavan, Churchgate, Hutatma Chowk, CSMT, Science Museum, Siddhi Vinayak, MIDC, Marol Naka, Sahar Road, CSMIA Domestic, CSMIA International airport and

"Now, further activities like construction of the station boxes, which is already underway, will take shape," said S K

Seepz — has also been carried

out, said sources.

75% of tunneling work for the corridor has been completed, an MMRCL spokesperson, said, adding excavation for 13 stations had also been completed

Gupta, Project Director, MM-RCL. "The excavation for the remaining 13 stations will be completed in the next three to four months. Overall, 87 per cent of excavation has been completed," said Gupta.

Officials also said 94 per cent of work on segment ring casting, on which the alignment of tunnels is based, has been completed. Segments rings are made in the casting yard of Metro line 3, located in Wadala. Other civil works such as base slabs and concourse slabs have also completed up to 60 per cent.

"The agency is targeting to complete 70 per cent of civil work by the end of this year," read a statement by MMRCL. This, officials said, included completing 100 per cent of tunneling and station work.