

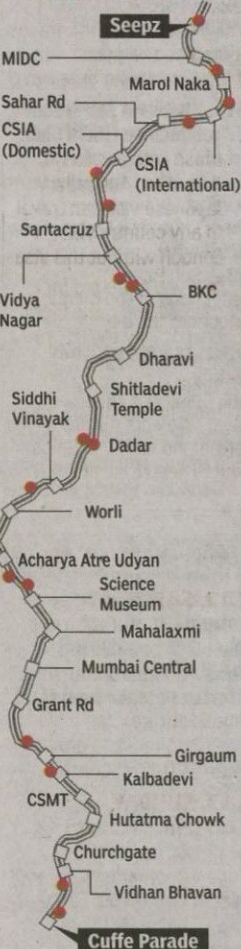
TWIN TUNNELS AT DADAR STN READY, METRO-3 REACHES 35% MARK

The Colaba-Bandra-SEEPZ Metro-3 achieved a twin tunnel breakthrough at Dadar Metro Station on Thursday with two TBMs completing their tunnel drives. With this, Mumbai Metro Rail Corporation (MMRC) has completed 35% of the work on the underground corridor, reports **Manthan K Mehta**



NAYANAGAR-DADAR TUNNEL READY: Krishna 1, lowered on Sept 21 2017, completed 2490 metres of tunnelling on Thursday while Krishna 2, lowered on Oct 18 2017, completed 2472 metres to emerge at Dadar station site

Where are the 17 TBMs now



Tunnelling work

Total length of twin tunnels: 54km

Completed till now: 18.7km **Distance left: 35.3km**

447 days since first TBM started work on Nov 10, 2017

Station work

No. of stations:

27 including one at ground level

832 days since work started on Oct 21, 2016 for Cuffe Parade station

Progress status:

Top 3 | Int'l airport, Siddhivinayak temple, CSMT station

Bottom 3 | Kalbadevi, Aarey, Girgaum - all caught in land acquisition hurdles



UNDERGROUND PROJECT

Manpower **4,000**

Total length of Metro-3: **33.5 km**

Original deadline | **March 2021**

Revised deadline | **Dec 2021** (only for phase 1)

Projected completion | **Dec 2022**

Cost **₹23,136cr**

Hurdles on path

Aarey: Depot work was held up as environmentalists went to court against land acquisition. Eventually, MMRC had its way

Fire temples: Upset with tunnelling underneath two fire temples in south Mumbai, Parsee community went to court. HC stayed work for some time, before giving the go-ahead

Land acquisition in prime areas of Kalbadevi-Girgaum also led to delay as MMRC had to come out with a rehabilitation plan for the affected tenants

Platform work at Siddhivinayak station