

FIRST PHASE OF METRO LINE 3 TO ROLL OUT IN 2023

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MUMBAI: The Mumbai Metro Rail Corporation (MMRC) is all set to roll out the first phase—Aarey to Bandra Kurla Complex (BKC) – of the Colaba-Bandra-SEEPZ Metro-3 Corridor in 2023, Ashwini Bhide, MMRC managing director, said.

“The MMRC has received all the eight coaches of the second train, which will be assembled and put to trial soon. It is also significant to note that the first train has already undergone all dynamic and static tests through the trial runs of more than 1,500 kms. successfully,” Bhide added.

The second eight-coach train, manufactured at Alstom Plant in Sri City of Andhra Pradesh, arrived in Mumbai on December 29 and will also undergo the required mandatory tests in a 5-km stretch between Sariput Nagar and Sahar. The coaches, weighing 42-tonne each—traversed 1,400 kms in 10 days on special trailers with 64 wheels.

Besides, there have been a few major milestones that the MMRC achieved through 2022. “The MMRC completed the entire tunnelling of 54.5 km – up and down line – on November 30, 2022. It required 17 tunnel boring machines and 1,700 workmen to complete 100% tunnelling for the 33.5-km long corridor,” S K Gupta, director (Projects), MMRC, said.