

Aqua Line to get complete mobile, internet connection

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Colaba-Bandra-SEEPZ Metro-3 corridor will enjoy uninterrupted mobile and internet connectivity owing to a significant contract awarded by the Mumbai Metro Rail Corporation (MMRC). ACES India Pvt Ltd, a subsidiary of Riyadh-based ACES Co, has emerged as the winning bidder for the 'In-Building Solutions' contract for the Aqua Line.

ACES India has implemented the 'In-Building Solutions' at the Bangalore airport and the Surat Diamond Bourse. Through this transaction, MMRC is set to gener-

ate a revenue of Rs274 crore over a span of nine years. The license fee realised per station is approximately 2.5 times of any other Indian metro line.

The MMRC plans to deploy cellular coverage from mobile service providers

An official said that MMRC plans to deploy cellular coverage from mobile service providers such as Jio, Vodafone, Airtel and MTNL. This will be achieved by installing antennas and repeaters within underground stations and tunnels.

As Mumbai Metro Line 3 is entirely underground, with station concourses at 10-14mt below the ground and platforms at depths of 18-20mt, mobile network and internet propagation is a significant challenge.