

WADALA-GPO METRO GATHERS STEAM

STATE GIVES PROJECT TO LINE-3'S MMRC

The state government has decided to hand over the partially underground Metro 11 (Wadala-GPO) project to Mumbai Metro Rail Corporation (MMRC) on the grounds that it has the expertise to execute the project.

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THE METRO 11 PROJECT

On January 25, a government resolution (GR) was issued by the urban development department, allotting the Metro 11 project to MMRC

STATIONS

- 1 CSMT
- 2 Carnac Bunder
- 3 Clock Tower
- 4 Wadi Bandar
- 5 Darukhana
- 6 Coal Bunder
- 7 Hay Bunder
- 8 Sewri Metro
- 9 BPT Hospital
- 10 Ganesh Nagar



13km

Length of the corridor

9km
Underground portion (GPO to Sewri)

4 km
Elevated portion (Sewri to Wadala)

2 Elevated + 8 Underground



METRO 3 PROJECT REPORT

77% of work over

Phase I (Aarey-BKC) is planned to be opened by Dec 2023

Phase II (BKC-Cuffe Parade) is planned to be opened by July 2024

10 Stations



Cost: ₹8,740cr

Ridership: 3.5L per day*
*Projection for 2031

WHY MMRC

The government says about the corporation:

- It is entrusted with the execution of the Metro Line 3 (Colaba-Bandra-Seepz) corridor. This experience has taught MMRC about the geo-strata of Mumbai
- It also has attained expertise on working with tunnel boring machines (TBMs), building tunnel shells, laying of tracks and building related systems
- Crucial has been its adjustments with traffic at places of road restrictions

HOW WILL IT BENEFIT CITY

- Metro 11 will be an extension of Metro 4A (2.7 km, Gaimukh-Kasarvadavli) and Metro 4 (32 km, Kasarvadavli-Ghatkopar-Wadala)
- This will help reduce overcrowding on Central Railway's Main and Harbour lines
- There will be inter-connectivity with Metro 3 (at CSMT) and CR's lines (again, at CSMT)