

Pune Metro Rail Project have gained momentum-Dr. Brijesh Dixit

1st anniversary of incorporation of Maharashtra Metro Rail Corporation Ltd.

Various activities organised to celebrate the occasion

Pune, January 23, 2018: "On the January 23, 2017, work on MAHA Metro's Pune Metro Rail Project in Pune and Pimpri Chinchwad area was started. In the last one year, the progress of the work of this project has been very Encouraging. Pune Metro Project have gained momentum and is further likely to increase in the coming months, "expressed Dr. Brijesh Dixit, Managing Director, MAHA Metro during a Press conference organised by MAHA Metro to commemorate its one year journey towards making city's one of the most important project. Ramnath Subramaniam, Executive Director and Shashikant Limaye, Technical Consultant were present at the occasion which was held in PCMC area on Tuesday.

While talking about the project, Dixit explained, "The construction of the Pune Metro Project in Pune and Pimpri Chinchwad area includes Reach 1 (PCMC to Range Hills) route (10.795 km). The work of viaduct portion of Reach-1 i.e. from PCMC to Range Hills (length of stretch is 10.795 Km) awarded to M/s NCC Ltd and taken up in full swing from PCMC to Harris Bridge."

"The segment between pier No. 349 and 348 of reach-1, PCMC to Range hill stretch has already been launched through ground launching system near Kharalwadi. The launched span length is 28m consist of 02 No. of end segment of 2m each and 8 No. of standard segment of 3m each. As on date the work of 75 footings, 32 piers, 10 Nos of pier cap and 102 Nos of segments casted in reach -1 i.e. PCMC to Range hill. The work at Harris Bridge has also been taken up," he added.

Further talking about the Metro stations, Dixit said, "The work of elevated Metro Station is awarded to M/s AL Fara'a JV on 01-11-2017. There are 9 elevated stations in Reach -1 (PCMC to Range Hills). The length of each station is 140 m and width is 21 m. There are 4 Entry/Exits for each station. Provision of escalator and lifts shall be done for each station."

Till date the stations Footings has started work at Sant Tukaram Nagar, and Geo-Technical Investigation work is completed at Sant Tukaram, Kasarwadi, Phugewadi, Dapodi stations. GPR (Ground Penetration Radar) work is completed for 4 stations to find out location of underground utilities. Manual trenching work is in progress at 4 stations to confirm the underground utilities to finalize the good for construction drawings.

Dixit also informed, "Foundation work at Sant Tukaram Station is in progress. Casting Yard setup for pre-stress girders and RCC girders is in progress."

To celebrate the occasion, MAHA Metro had organised five-day program. While on the first day a clean-up campaign was planned, the next day a painting and essay competition in schools and colleges was organised in PMC and PCMC. These were both government schools. In addition to the this, MAHA Metro also supported renowned musical fest of Pune, Vasantotsav where Brijesh Dixit, was honoured. Also, a spiritual & motivational program of Harshal Jawale was organized for employees of MAHA Metro's Ghole Road office.

MAHA Metro has also organised a seminar in Pune at Balgandharv Rangamandir in Shivajinagar, in which Rashmi Shukla (Police Commissioner, Pune), Kunal Kumar (Commissioner, Pune Municipal Corporation), Shravan Hardikar (Commissioner, PCMC), Nitin Desai (renowned art director), Dr. K.H. Sancheti (Punyabhushan Awardee), Dr. Swati Mujumdar (Principal -Director, Symbiosis Education Trust), Mahesh Nampurkar (Famous Landscape Designer) will be participating in the celebrations. Mahametro Managing Director Dr. Brijesh Dixit, Technical Consultant Shashikant Limaye and Executive Director Ramnath Subramanyam will also be present.

On completion of one year into work of Pune Metro Rail Project, MAHA Metro had organised drawing and essay competition at Hindustan Antibiotics School, Kharalwadi Secondary School at PCMC and Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose in Pune City. Winners of this competition were also conferred the prizes at this time and were given a bicycle as a reward. MAHA Metro's Five Fans who closely follow Facebook and Twitter A/C were felicitated with special awards. Abhishek Raskar, Ritul Thorat, Shreeprasanna Bawdekar, Mahendra Samant, Pabitra Mohan Swain honored as Facebook Followers. Also, Shail Malwadkar, Vaibhav Kulkarni, Chaitanya Adgaonkar, Shirish and Akash Tetguru will be honored as the five Twitter Followers. And special award of 'Best Whistle Blower' was given to Chandu Gosavi and Abhay Jagdale.

On the occasion of 'Marathi Bhasha Sanvardhan Pandhravada' MAHA Metro organised slogan competition in which Chetan Shegaonkar got first prize, Dattatray Temghare stood second and Sandeep Autade got third position. Nikhil Shejwal, Advaita Sowale, Suvarna Bhalaykar, Vijay Kadu and Ritwik Joshi won consolation prize.