



## **Pune Metro Information Centre to start at Chhatrapati Sambhaji Park**

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After starting project work almost all over the city, Maha Metro Pune, has come up with another user friendly initiative to inform citizens about the prestigious Pune Metro project. Maha Metro



Pune is all set to launch 'Information Centre' at Chhatrapati Sambhaji Park near Bal Gandharva. The Centre will help in disseminating all information related to the project.

The Information Centre will be a replica of the Metro train; a metro passenger coach with matching interiors will function as Information Centre. This has been done to ensure that citizens get a feel of Metro train. A team of dedicated staff would be posted there to guide citizens and give them information about the metro project.

Citizens can walk in and get their queries addressed at this Information Centre. It is aimed to provide comprehensive information about Pune Metro Project including latest developments, project updates, salient features, stations, routes, benefits, etc. This Information Centre will remain functional throughout the day from 7 am to 11 pm.

The exteriors of the proposed model are being made using materials like FRP and ACP, while the interiors are an exact lookalike of the metro coach with Stainless Steel, Glass and PVC matting. An electronic display system will also be put up at the Centre so that citizens can browse and get all the relevant details that they seek.

In all, 3 electronic displays would be posted inside the coach which will inform citizens about the project through PPTs and informative films. The coach graphics have been specially designed to reflect the flavor of Pune, highlighting its monuments and structures.

Passenger capacity of an actual Metro car is maximized in a Metro System by providing longitudinal seats for seating and utilizing the remaining space for standing passenger. Therefore all the equipments are mounted on the under frame for maximum space utilization. The

gangways are designed to give a wider comfortable standing space during peak hours along with easy and faster passenger movement especially in case of emergency. Citizens will be able to experience similar features in the model kept here.



It is also planned to invite educational institutions and citizen forum to get first hand information about the project. As per the experience till date of various citizen interaction programs at Pune, it is found that citizens are very keen to understand more about 'Rolling Stock' features to come up at Pune.

Hence, art work displaying 'Rolling Stock Features', mixed in acrylic sheets, are also planned to be displayed on walls of coach. These art works would provide detail information about salient features of Metro train coaches.

Another highlight of the model to be positioned there is depiction of Driving Cab, wherein citizens can visualize interiors of the actual cab and its controls. Apart from this, the coach will have an automatic self opening/closing bi-parting sliding door which will function exactly as in actual Metro coaches.

The actual coach is provided with two air conditioning units capable of cooling and heating. The temperature inside is thus automatically controlled in the passenger area and fixed at 25° C with 65 % Relative Humidity (RH) at all the times under varying ambient conditions up to full load.

The coach graphics have been specially designed to reflect the flavor of Pune, highlighting the monuments and structures of the city. Entrance to this model will be from Bal Gandharva side of Chhatrapati Sambhaji Park. An informative gallery is also planned in the premises which will help the citizens to understand other features of the project as well.

Pune Metro is a huge project that requires citizens' participation, honest reviews and suggestions and Maharashtra Metro Rail Corporation is very serious about it. Hence a genuine gesture is made from their side by setting up this information centre in order to reach out to maximum citizens of Pune.