



## Pune Metro Launches Last Segment to Complete the Viaduct from Phugewadi to Range Hill

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**Pune:** In the route from PCMC Station to Swargate Station of Pune Metro Corridor I, the 12.064 km stretch from Pimpri Chinchwad Municipal Corporation Station to Range Hill Station is the elevated stretch and the rest of the route is underground. The launching of the last segment of this 12.064 km elevated stretch was completed today on 31/10/2022. It will now be possible to conduct the trial run of the metro train on the route from Phugewadi station to Civil Court station soon. After the trial, the route from Phugewadi station to Civil Court station will be opened for passengers.



A total of 3934 segments were casted for the 12.064 km elevated track from PimpriChinchwad Municipal Corporation Station to Range Hill Station. 451 spans were constructed through these segments and 12.064 km of elevated track was constructed. The first metro pillar on this route was constructed on 7/10/2017. A big casting yard was set up at Nashik Phata where 3934 segments were made. The first segment required for this route was constructed on 29/8/2017 and the last segment was constructed on 19/10/2022. Also, the first segment on this route on 14/12/2017 at Pier no. 348-349 was launched for the span. Today is the last launching of the 3934<sup>th</sup> segment and also the construction of the last span between piers 149-150. This marks the completion of viaduct work of the entire 12.064 km elevated stretch.

Many hurdles were overcome to complete this 12.064 km elevated route. The biggest difficulty was getting the land from Harris Bridge to Khadki from the army. For this, after continuous follow-up with the army, metro finally got land in July 2022. Despite the delay in acquiring land for the line from the Army, the Metro continued work on the phases from Range Hill station to Khadki and Phugewadi station to Harris Bridge and completed them on time. With the launching of the last segment today, the gap in viaduct route between PimpriChinchwad Municipal Corporation Station to Harris Bridge and Range Hill Station to Khadki is filled and viaduct complete. All major projects came to a standstill during the Pandemic Covid and Maha Metro was also

affected. Traffic regulation in this area is very complex. The traffic at Khadki was regulated by coordination between the concerned departments and this work is getting completed within the scheduled time.



Metro has planned to complete the work on Phugewadi Station to Civil Court Station and Garware College Station to Civil Court Station by November 30, 2022. Today's final segment launching is in line with target set. The work of this 12.064 km elevated road has been completed within the scheduled time after overcoming the difficulties such as land acquisition, pandemic and traffic regulation etc. Hence, it will be possible to complete this work by the end of November 2022.

On this occasion, the Managing Director of Maha Metro Dr. Brijesh Dixit said, "Today is an important milestone for Pune Metro. The viaduct of the 12.064 km elevated line from PimpriChinchwad Municipal Corporation Station to Range Hill Station is getting completed on schedule. Soon work of Phugewadi Station to Civil Court Station and Garware College Station will be completed and Metro trials will extend till Civil Court station route."



