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## First Metro ride for 40 NRI youths

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**Hyderabad:** As many as 40 youths of the Indian diaspora from nine countries took a Metro rail ride in the city from Rasoolpura to Ameerpet during their first visit to India on Thursday. They belong to the 3rd and 4th generation of Indians who had settled abroad.

They came as part of the Government of India's 'Know India Programme (KIP)'. The diaspora youths came from Israel, South Africa, Guyana, Fiji, Mauritius, Malaysia, and Israel among other countries. They also interacted with N V S Reddy, MD, HMRL at the Metro Rail Bhavan in Rasoolpura.

Through a power point presentation, Reddy explained to them, the various innovations that had been made in the Hyderabad Metro Rail project, which is the world's largest Metro Rail project in Public Private Partnership (PPP) mode. Speaking on the intricacies involved in building huge urban infrastructure projects in Indian cities, he explained how innovative engineering and financial solutions helped resolve several complex issues and in gaining support from the people.