

Four more metro stations on HiTec City route electrified

To facilitate testing and commissioning activities of railway systems

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The L&T Metro Rail (Hyderabad) on Thursday announced that the Chief Electrical Inspector to Government of India (CEIG) for Hyderabad Metro Rail Project, D.V.S. Raju, has inspected 33kV/415V indoor sub-stations installed at four stations from Peddamma temple to Hitech City.

These stations are part of Corridor-III (Ameerpet to Hitech City stretch) of the Hyderabad Metro Rail project. The inspection was part of the process for according sanction for energisation of stations, which would facilitate the testing and commissioning activities of railway systems like signalling, telecommunication and automatic fare collection in this section.

The metro rail stations receive power at 33kV voltage through ring main fed from 132/33/25 kV receiving sub-stations (RSS) located at You-



D.V.S. Raju, Chief Electrical Inspector to Government of India for HMR project, along with other officials inspecting an auxiliary substation in the city on Thursday. • BY ARRANGEMENT

sufguda and Uppal. "Commissioning these auxiliary sub-stations will boost the progress and hasten the completion of metro rail section between Ameerpet and

Hitech City of Corridor-III," observed CEIG D.V.S. Raju.

A month ago, Mr. Raju had inspected the indoor sub-stations at four other metro rail stations from Madhuranagar,

Yousufguda, Jubilee Hills road no. 5 and Jubilee Hills Check Post on the same route. "This is an important development for Corridor-III as commissioning these sta-

tions will make auxiliary power supply available for the entire stretch of 10 km," said L&T Metro Rail MD and CEO K.V.B. Reddy.

Record footfall

In just two days of being brought under the metro rail network, the terminal station of L.B. Nagar has overtaken all other stations in having 10,200 passenger footfall. Ameerpet interchange station continues to be in the top clocking 14,700 passengers a day, informed HMR MD N.V.S. Reddy.

He also stated that 1.66 lakh passengers had travelled on Wednesday, of whom 1.50 lakh were paid passengers. The new section of Ameerpet-L.B. Nagar has added 82,000 and hence, the number of passengers using Corridor-I -L.B. Nagar to Miyapur (29 km) - was 1.16 lakh. The 17-km stretch of Corridor III (Ameerpet-Nagole) accounted for 50,000 footfall, he added.