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As a part of Chief Minister Mr KChandrasekhar Rao's vision of making Hyderabad city an important global destination, the Hyderabad Metro Rail authorities have decided to give unique numbering for Metro Railpillars and link them withGoogle maps and GPS (global position system). This will be a step forward to make Hyderabad a tourist friendly and visitor friendly city with convenience for everyone to easily identify different locations on Metro Rail corridors and easy direction signages for different roads, areas and colonies nearby, stated MD, HMRL Mr NVS Reddy after a brainstorming session that he conducted at Metro Rail Bhavan, Begumpet today (Sunday). The following are the broad decisions at the brain storming session:

- The unique numbering of Metro pillars will be alpha-numeric with corridor I (Miyapur-LB Nagar) designated as A, corridor II (JBS-Falaknuma) designated as B and corridor III (Nagole-Raidurg) designated as C and so on. The numbering will start from the point of beginning (POB),corridor wise. The pier numbers on corridor I will be A1 near Miyapur (corridor beginning), A450 near Ameerpet station, A769near MGBS station and A1108 nearLB Nagar. Similarly corridor 2 numbers will be B1 near JBS (corridor beginning), B152 near Musheerabad station, B196 near RTC x Road station, B356 near MGBS station, and B588near Falaknuma depot.The numbers on corridor III will be C1 nearNagole bridge (corridor beginning), C296 near Mettuguda, C 583 near Begumpet, C623 near Ameerpet, C1001 near Hitec city, and C1052 near Riadurg. Presently there are 2748 pillars in all the three corridors including MGBS-Falaknuma in old city or 2531 pillars excluding MGBS-Falaknuma stretch. Future expansion of the Metro corridors will have D, E, F etc., accommodating future corridors.
- Since each Metro station has four (4) entry/exits, they will be designated gate1, gate2,gate 3 and gate 4 clock wise starting from the first gate on the left side in the direction of the corridor. For example Ameerpet station gates will be known as Ameerpet gate 1, Ameerpet gate 2, etc. In cities like Tokyo which have numerous gates leading to different avenues, it becomes very easy for anyone to come to theexact location of a Metro station with gate numbering.

- Global standard sign posts with sufficiently big font in both English and Telugu will be placed at several locations and approach areas of a Metro station and maps of nearby colonies, prominent locations of the city will be displayed.
- All the facilities of a Metro station including the location of service lanes, bus bays, auto bays, e-vehicle bays, parking locations, toilet facilities, entry/exit indicators, direction boards to nearby colonies etc. will be prominently displayed at theMetro stations.

While the above are the broad decisions, people are welcome to give their inputs / suggestions for making Hyderabad a visitor friendly city, addedMr NVS Reddy. The suggestions can be posted on HMRL website info-hmrl@telangana.gov.in. Appreciating this initiative, Municipal Administration Minister Mr KTRama Rao stated that adoption of such global practices will make Hyderabad an attractive city and improve its ease of doing business (EODB) ranking.

MD, L&TMRHL Mr. Shivanand Nimbargi;COO (Rail Systems), L&TMRHL Mr Anil Kumar Saini; Manager (CRM), Keolis Hyderabad Mass Rapid Transit Systems Mr Rajiv Iyer; Chief Engineer (Electrical), HMRL Mr DVS Raju; SEs, HMRL Mr C Vinod Kumar and Mr. M Vishnuvardhan Reddy; GM (Works), HMRL Mr BN Rajeshwar and senior officers from HMRL, L&TMRHL and Keolis participated in the brainstorming session.

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MD, HMRL Mr NVS Reddy in a brain storming session at Metro Rail Bhavan, Begumpet on Sunday (17.09.2017). MD, L&TMRHL Mr Shivanand Nimbargiis seen to his right



MD, HMRL Mr NVS Reddy in a brain storming session at Metro Rail Bhavan, Begumpet on Sunday (17.09.2017)



MD, HMRL Mr NVS Reddy explaining the best practices followed by cities like Tokyo, duringa brain storming sessionat Metro Rail Bhavan, Begumpet on Sunday (17.09.2017)