



**Media Release  
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MD, HMRL Mr.NVS Reddy and MIM Floor Leader in the Assembly Mr.Akbaruddin Owaisi inspected the 5.5 km of Metro Rail alignment in the Old City from MGBS (Dar-ul-Shifa Jn) to Falaknuma along with local MLAs Mr.Syed Ahmed Pasha Quadri, Mr.Mumtaz Ahmed Khan and Mr.Ahmed Bin Abdullah Balala. They walked the entire stretch and thoroughly inspected the requirement of road widening, keeping the religious and other sensitive structures in mind.

MD Mr.NVS Reddy explained to them that the existing width of the road from Dar-ul-Shifa to Shalibanda is generally 60 feet and from Shalibanda to Falaknuma, it is generally 80 feet. He informed them that GHMC has prepared Road Development Plan (RDP) for 100 feet widening. He briefed them that five Metro stations are planned in the Old City which are Salarjung Museum station, Charminar station, Shalibanda station, Shamsheergunj station and Falaknuma station. Though the alignment is about 500 mtrs away from Salarjung Museum and Charminar, the stations nearer to them are so named in view of the importance of these two historic structures, he explained.

The tentative locations of the stations and the technical requirements of Metro viaduct alignment and station design in terms of minimum curvature, gradient, etc., were explained in detail by the MD to Mr.Owaisi and the other MLAs. Appreciating the technical constraints, Mr.Akbaruddin Owaisi requested the MD to ensure that no religious and other sensitive structures are affected. Mr.NVS Reddy has assured him and other MLAs that due care will be taken in fixing the Metro pillar position and station location in such a way that none of the religious and other sensitive structures will be affected. With this assurance of the MD, Mr.Owaisi and other MLAs requested him to initiate the Metro Rail works in the Old City as early as possible. Responding to their request, MD informed them that HMRL will start detailed survey and peg marking of the tentative Metro pillar position and station locations on the ground in the next few days. Marking on the affected structures will also be done as per the RDP prepared by GHMC for 100 feet road widening, he added.

HMRL Chief Engineer (Railways) Mr.Pancham, Chief Project Manager Mr.B.Anand Mohan, General Manager (Works) Mr.B.N.Rajeswar, DCP Mr.A. Balakrishna and other senior officers also participated in the inspection.

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