

# '1,100 Properties Likely To Be Affected' CM to lay stone for Old City Metro on March 8

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**Hyderabad:** Chief minister A Revanth Reddy will lay the foundation stone for the much delayed Old City metro works on March 8 (Friday) at Falaknuma. The phase I metro rail work in the 5.5km stretch from Mahatma Gandhi Bus Station (MGBS) to Falaknuma will cost ₹2,000 crore and 1,100 properties are likely to be affected during the construction, said NVS Reddy, MD, Hyderabad Metro Rail.

There would be only four stations namely — Salarjung Museum, Charminar, Shah-Ali-Banda and Falaknuma. The previous plan had six stations which included Shamsheergunj and Jungametta.

"Though the alignment of the stations is such that they are about 500 metres away from the monuments, two of the stations will be named - Salarjung Museum and Charminar, given their historical importance," said Reddy.

For the project, road widening upto 100 feet will be done as per the master plan and upto 120 feet at locations where the metro stations will come up.

## METRO BOOST FOR OLD CITY

- Old City metro work from MGBS to Falaknuma to cost ₹2,000 crore
- Phase I metro work would span 5.5km, said HMRL MD NVS Reddy
- 1,100 properties likely to be affected during the construction
- **Green line through:** Dar-ul-Shifa - Purani Haveli - Etebar Chowk - Alijah Kotla - Daira Mir Momin - Hari Bowli - Shah-Ali-Banda - Shamsheer Gunj - Aliabad and Falaknuma

### FOUR STATIONS

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The MD indicated that the metro officials are coming up with various engineering solutions to ensure that no religious or heritage structure is affected in this stretch either during road widening or metro rail construction.

"The metro line will be furt-

her extended by another 1.5 km from Falaknuma to Chandrayangutta, which will be developed as an interchange station on the newly planned Airport line of Nagole - LB Nagar - Chandrayangutta - Mailardevpally - P7 road - Shamshabad airport," he added.

