

Plans unveiled for Hyd's first at-grade Metro line

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Hyderabad: Releasing the first artist's impression of Hyderabad's first at-grade metro line: which will have the metro line on ground level passing between a 328-foot road, Hyderabad Airport Metro Limited (HMAL) detailed the schematics of the line connecting Shamshabad Airport to the planned Future City. The project aims to help commuters complete the 40-km journey in just 40 minutes.

According to a release issued by HAML, the metro line will feature elevated and ground-level tracks, with the route beginning at the airport terminal and running alongside the proposed metro rail depot. The initial stretch will follow the airport's boundary wall for about 5 km along Mansanpally Road before reaching the Pedda Golconda ORR Exit.

Two major stations are planned at Bahadurguda and Pedda Golconda to support the development of 1,500 acres of govt land as a world-class hub. The line will continue as an elevated structure for 14 km along the Outer Ring Road (ORR) to Tukuguda exit and Raviryala exit, release added.

A unique feature of the project is the "at-grade" section from Raviryala Exit to the under-construction Skill University at Meerkhanpet. "This portion will run at ground level through multiple localities including Kongara Kalan, Lemur, and Timmapur, utilising the central part of a 100-metre-wide green field road to be constructed by HMDA," HAML stated.

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Speaking about it HAML's managing director, NVS Reddy, who led a field inspection of the proposed route, said: "The chief minister's vision is to create a pollution-free green city that ranks among the world's best. This metro corridor will play a crucial role in ensuring swift and easy access from the airport to Future City, which will span 1,500 (approx) acres."

The Detailed Project Report (DPR) is scheduled for completion by March-end and

will be submitted to the Centre following state approval. The project, which also includes North City Medchal and Shamirpet corridors, represents a significant step forward in Hyderabad's urban development plans.

"Just as we successfully implemented the 69-km first phase metro with an investment of about ₹22,000 crore, HAML will work closely with various govt organisations to realise these new plans," the official added.