

Compensation worth ₹212 cr. paid for 205 properties in Old City Metro route

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Compensation cheques worth ₹212 crore have already been distributed for 205 affected properties on the 7.5-kilometre stretch from MG Bus Station (MGBS) to Chandrayanagutta as part of the proposed phase two metro line expansion, Hyderabad Airport Metro Limited (HAML) said on Sunday. Land acquisition and demolition of affected properties are being carried out extensively with the full cooperation of residents in the stretch of Darulshifa-Puranihaveli-Ethebar Chowk-Kotla Alija-Bibibazar junction-Voltas junction and so on, HAML Managing Director N.V.S. Reddy said in a release. The Old City road expansion works are being carried out at a fast pace as per the directives of Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy and the metro rail construction too will begin as soon as approval from the Central government is received, he said.



Demolition and dismantling of properties for metro rail construction picked up pace in Hyderabad.

There are a total of 1,100 affected properties on this stretch and the MD has appreciated the affected property owners for voluntarily handing over their respective properties for the metro rail project.

Several buildings and structures have already been demolished or being dismantled in stages. These include: Lahoti building, Akbar Function Hall, Shabbar Cafe, Meena Plaza, Pista House, Swagat

Hotel, Akbar mechanic shop and Lily Rose School, among others and the debris cleared for road expansion, he said.

All the necessary precautions are being taken to ensure that sensitive structures nearby are not affected in any way. The pace of work, which slowed during the Ramzan month, has picked up momentum and is progressing smoothly, the Metro MD added.

Mr. Reddy also ex-

plained that some highly entangled electric, telephone and other cables on both sides of the route, which were acting as bottlenecks, were being carefully removed by engineering teams to facilitate demolition of affected properties in a safe manner. The road expansion works are being actively carried out under the supervision of metro rail engineers along with revenue and police wings of HAML.