

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS  
RAJYA SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 876  
ANSWERED ON 08/12/2025**

**METRO RAIL PROJECTS IN TAMIL NADU**

**876. SHRI R. DHARMAR:**

**Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

- (a) the present status of all Metro Rail projects in the State of Tamil Nadu, including Chennai, Coimbatore, and any other proposed cities;
- (b) total funds sanctioned, released, and utilized for Metro Rail projects in the State, city-wise, during the last five years;
- (c) expected timelines for completion of ongoing Metro Rail projects in Tamil Nadu, and the reasons for any delays in implementation;
- (d) whether Government proposes to introduce new Metro Rail corridors or extensions in urban and suburban areas of Tamil Nadu, and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) measures taken to ensure integration of Metro Rail with other modes of public transport?

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS  
(SHRI TOKHAN SAHU)**

(a) to (d) Central Government has sanctioned Chennai Metro Rail Phase-I and Phase-I Extension projects with 54 km route length at the sanctioned cost of ₹22,149.92 Cr and both the projects are fully operational since February 2019 and March 2022 respectively. Further Government of India has released the entire fund to the tune of ₹15,355.78 Cr.

Central Government has approved Chennai Metro Phase-II project as 50:50 Joint Venture project at the cost of ₹63,246.4Cr. in October 2024 with completion time line as December 2027. Central Government has released ₹10,354.15 Cr. for Chennai Metro Phase-II project till November 2025.

GoTN has submitted three DPRs for extension of the Chennai Metro phase-I and extension of Chennai Metro phase-II of total 66.56 route km with total completion cost of ₹27,858 Cr for consideration of this Ministry.

Metro projects are cost intensive and should be planned carefully after following due process of scrutiny/ examination in accordance with extant policy guidelines for ensuring long term sustainability. Based on outcome of such scrutiny/ examination, technical feasibility and availability of resources, Central Government considers financial assistance for metro projects in cities or urban agglomerates.

Metro Rail Project proposals for Coimbatore and Madurai submitted by GoTN have been returned with observations after due scrutiny/ examination in terms of extant policy.

- (e) To improve Urban Mobility, CMRL has informed that physical integration of metro network is done with railway stations, bus stations, airport, other metro corridor etc. For improved last mile connectivity, dedicated feeder services which make metro more usable for end to end journey. “One-City, One-Ticket” (part of a broader Comprehensive Mobility Plan for Chennai), a unified QR based ticketing system has been launched to allow commuters to use a single ticket/QR code across buses, metro and suburban rail.

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