

MAHARASHTRA METRO RAIL CORPORATION LIMITED (Nagpur Metro Rail Project)

Nagpur Metro Ridership Nears One Lakh Mark

Record 90,758 Nagpurians Rode Metro on I Day



NAGPUR: Maha Metro Nagpur broke all previous records to establish an all-time highest ridership of 90,758 on Independence Day (15th August 2022). The all-time high ridership before this was on 26 June 2022 when a record 66,428 commuters had rode the metro train. Thus yesterday's ridership was 24,330 more than that on 26 June 2022 - another record in itself!

In fact Maha Metro Nagpur ridership has been steadily increasing with the passage of time. Maha Metro recorded a peak of 56406 on 26th January 2021 - Republic Day. However the ridership on 26th January 2021 matches the number of commuters who travel by on regular weekdays! This steady and certain growth has been possible because of the extreme co-operation and affection extended by the Nagpurians and Maha Metro extends its heartfelt gratitude for the same.

Maha Metro has neared 1 lakh mark and could easily cross 1.5 lakh mark, once the remaining two lines (Kasturchand Park-Automotive Square Metro Station) & (Sitabuldi Interchange-Prajapati Nagar Metro Station) get operational. This record ridership could be achieved because of the multiple steps taken by Maha Metro like providing commuter friendly facilities at Metro Stations, Providing Feeder Service, Maha Card & Mobile App, Increasing Train Timings etc.

The trend of highest ever ridership was felt right in the morning and continued throughout the day. The rush was evident right since morning and picked up as the day passed on. Though it rained almost all through the day, it could not dampen the interest of the citizens, as they ventured out of the house for a metro ride.



All the metro stations were crowded with passengers and Maha Metro had made all the necessary arrangements in anticipation of the record Ridership. In fact, given the trend for some time now, Maha Metro ridership has been continuously on the rise and considering these factors and anticipating this commuter rush, Maha Metro deployed additional staff at all levels to handle the increased commuters. In fact, long and serpentine queues were witnessed at all the Metro Stations, especially Sitabuldi Interchange where commuters had lined up to buy tickets for Metro Ride since morning. The concourse, platform witnessed great rush as Nagpurians rushed to Metro Stations for a ride on Independence Day. Said homemaker Smt Asha Patil, ``I have never witnessed such a gathering before. This is very encouraging and would go a long way in boosting Maha Metro ridership further.''



Added businessman Shri Vijay Chavan, ``The fact that Maha Metro offers a range of facilities like shopping and entertainment activities at Metro Stations adds to the charm of Metro ride.'' The tremendous response to the Maha Metro's efforts for ridership was supplemented with the carnival organized to celebrate this Day. As part of these efforts events like drawing competitions, music programmes, CRPF Band, flash mob were organized at different Maha Metro Stations.



An exhibition on Azadi Ka Amrut Mahotsav (AKAM) jointly organised by Maha Metro and Central Bureau of Communication, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, Government of India was another attraction for the commuters. Guards, Station Staff and other essential staff adequately deployed at all the Metro Stations. This historic and record-breaking ridership would definitely go a long way in boosting ridership in Metro trains.