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चेन्नै मंडल/CHENNAI DIVISION**

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Hon'ble PM laid the foundation stone for 554 Amrit Bharat stations, dedicated/laid the foundation stone for 1500 ROB/RUBs across Indian Railways on 26th February 2024

In Chennai Division, Southern Railway, foundation stones for 07 Amrit Bharat Stations were laid, and 35 ROB/RUBs foundation stones were laid/dedicated.

Shri Narendra Modi, the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India, virtually laid the foundation stone for 554 Amrit Bharat Stations and dedicated/laid the foundation stone for 1500 Road Over Bridges (ROB) /Road Under Bridges (RUB) to the Nation today.

In Chennai Division, Southern Railway, foundation stones were laid for redevelopment of 07 railway stations under Amrit Bharat Station Scheme and 07 Road Over Bridges and 28 Subways were dedicated to the Nation. As part of this mega event, ceremonial functions was organized at all the 07 railway stations and 35 ROB/Subways.

07 ABSS Railway Stations:

1. St.Thomas Mount:

St.Thomas Mount station, gateway to religious and industrial landmarks, embarks on a Rs.14.15Cr transformation under the Amrit Bharat Station Scheme. Serving 30,000 daily passengers, it connects devotees to the St. Thomas Basilica and serves as a connecting point for various industries.

Shri R. N. Ravi, Hon'ble Governor of Tamil Nadu participated and graced the occasion at St. Thomas Mount Railway station. Lt. General Karanbir Singh BRAR, General Officer commanding Dakshin Bharath Area, SMT. Anitha Pauldurai, Padmashri awardee also participated in the function. Cultural events were held and Government Officials, School students, rail enthusiasts and public enthusiastically participated in the function.

2. Ambattur:

Under the Amrit Bharat Station Scheme, Ambattur Railway Station is to be redeveloped at a cost of 21.57Cr. This initiative is aimed to modernize infrastructure, enhance passenger amenities, and improve operational efficiency.

In Ambattur, Shri. T.R. Baalu, Hon'ble Member of Parliament, Shri. R. Girirajan – Hon'ble Member of Parliament, Rajya Sabha and Shri. Joseph Samuel, Hon'ble Member of Legislative Assembly and Shri B.Vishwanath Eerya, Divisional Railway Manager, Chennai Division graced the occasion. Cultural events were organized and Government officials, School/college students, rail passengers and general public participated with enthusiasm.

3. Mambalam:

A buzzing commercial hub in Chennai Beach - Chengalpattu Section this station is to be redeveloped with enhanced facilities at a cost of 14.70 Cr. This comprehensive initiative is aimed to revamp facilities, improve accessibility, and elevate overall service standards.

Smt. Dr. Thamizhachi Thangapandian, Hon'ble Member of Parliament, Lok Sabha and J. Karunanithi, Hon'ble Member of Legislative Assembly graced the occasion. Elected representatives of local communities, Government officials, School/college students, rail passengers and general public participated with enthusiasm.

4. Guindy:

Guindy station to be revamped at a cost Rs.13.50 crore under the Amrit Bharat Station Scheme. This project promises to elevate it into a passenger-centric haven transforming it to a vibrant hub benefitting both passengers and the surrounding community.

Shri. Ma.Subramnian, Hon'ble Minister for Medical & Family Welfare of Tamil Nadu graced the occasion. Cultural programmes by students were held and elected representatives of local communities, School students, rail fans, general public participated in the function.

5. Chennai Beach & Chennai Park:

Chennai Beach and Chennai Park are the busiest railway stations Chennai Beach – Chengalpattu section. Chennai Beach station is to undergo a transformation at a cost of 14.58 Crores and Chennai Park is to be upgraded at a cost of Rs.10.68 crores.

Cultural programmes were held and elected representatives of local communities, School students, rail fans, general public enthusiastically participated in the function.

7. Sullurupeta:

Under the transformative Amrit Bharat Station Scheme, Sullurupeta Railway Station will undergo comprehensive redevelopment at a cost of 12.77 Cr.

Situated in the Chennai Central – Gudur Section of Chennai Division, it serves as the gateway to the prestigious Satish Dhawan Space Centre at Sriharikota, further enhancing its strategic importance.

Cultural programmes were held and elected representatives of local communities, School students and general public enthusiastically participated in the function.

7 ROBs & 28 Subways:

Besides the above 07 ABSS stations, Ceremonial functions were also held at 07 Robs and 28 Subways. The ROBs and Subways in the place of level Crossing gates will not only enhance safety for road users but it also paves way for seamless connectivity.

Elected representatives of Local Communities, Students and general public actively participated in the function.

Last year foundation stone was laid for 08 Railway stations in August 2023. The railway stations are Gummidipundi, Perambur, Tiruvallur, Arakkonam, Tiruttani Jollarpettai, Guduvancheri and Chengalpattu and the work in these stations are progressing at a steady pace.

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