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**CCRS INSPECTION AND SPEED TRIAL SUCCESSFULLY CONDUCTED ON THE
MRTS VELACHERY – ST. THOMAS MOUNT CORRIDOR**

Shri Janak Kumar Garg, Chief Commissioner of Railway Safety (CCRS), New Delhi, conducted the statutory inspection of the newly constructed Mass Rapid Transit System (MRTS) section between Velachery and St. Thomas Mount on 05th March 2026, in accordance with the provisions of the Railways Act, 1989 and the rules governing the opening of railway lines for public carriage of passengers.

As part of the inspection, a motor trolley examination was carried out from St.Thomas Mount to Velachery to assess the Up and Down lines in detail. The inspection covered track structure, ballast profile, alignment, gradients and riding quality, along with bridges, elevated structures, traction installations, signalling and interlocking systems, and other safety-related infrastructure to verify compliance with prescribed safety standards.

Subsequently, speed trial runs were conducted on both lines using a 9-car AC-EMU rake fitted with OMS-2000 track recording equipment. The trials were undertaken to evaluate oscillation characteristics, braking performance, track geometry, signal visibility and system synchronization under operational conditions.

The newly constructed MRTS stations at **Puzhuthivakkam** and **Adambakkam** were also inspected with regard to structural integrity, passenger circulation and accessibility features. At **St. Thomas Mount**, particular attention was given to the interchange arrangements integrating MRTS, suburban railway services and Chennai Metro Rail, strengthening the station's role as an important multi-modal transport hub in the city.

During the inspection, Shri Shailendra Singh, Divisional Railway Manager, Chennai Division, Shri Tej Partap Singh, Additional Divisional Railway Manager, Shri S.K. Maurya, Chief Administrative Officer (Construction), Shri B.N.S. Chalam, Chief Engineer (Construction), Shri K.V. Rama Mehar, Chief Track Engineer, Shri A.Sundaresan, Chief Electrical Engineer (Construction), along with other senior officers of Chennai Division and the Construction Organisation, were present.

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