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**CHENNAI DIVISION ADVANCES GREEN MOBILITY WITH EV-BATTERY SWAPPING
FACILITIES ACROSS SUBURBAN NETWORK**

Chennai Division of Southern Railway has initiated the installation of EV-Battery Swapping Stations across important suburban railway stations in Chennai as part of its efforts to promote sustainable and eco-friendly transportation. This initiative is in line with the vision of the Government of India and Railway Board for promoting green mobility, reducing carbon emissions, and encouraging the use of electric vehicles (EVs).

A total of **21 contracts** have been awarded for a period of **five years** for the installation and operation of Battery Swapping Stations. The initiative is expected to generate an annual license fee of **Rs.53.43 lakhs**. Further action is being taken to identify additional feasible locations for expansion of these facilities.

EV-Battery Swapping Stations has been provided at prominent suburban stations such as Chennai Central, Annanur, Greenways Road, Korattur, Kotturpuram, Chintadripet, Mundakakanni Amman Koil, Kodambakkam, Mandaveli, Chennai Egmore, Tiruvallikeni, Thirumayilai, Perungudi, Pallavaram, Saidapet, St.Thomas Mount, Taramani, Tiruvanmiyur, Velachery, Villivakkam and Washermanpet, based on passenger footfall and demand for EV infrastructure.

The battery swapping system enables users to replace discharged batteries with fully charged ones within a short duration, thereby avoiding the waiting time associated with conventional EV charging. The facility is accessible through mobile applications of authorized Charge Point Operators (CPOs), ensuring ease of use.

As per the agreement, the licensees will be responsible for installation, operation, and maintenance of the facilities, while the Railway Administration will provide suitable space within station premises. The system requires minimal space and will not affect passenger movement.

Chennai Division's suburban network caters to lakhs of passengers. The provision of Battery Swapping Stations is expected to enhance last-mile connectivity and benefit commuters, delivery personnel, students, and the general public using electric vehicles.

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