

India: Chennai Metro Corridor 4 Project

1. Project Information

Project ID:	P000301	Instrument ID:	L0301A
Member:	India	Region:	Southern Asia
Sector:	Transport	Sub-sector:	Urban transport
Instrument type:	⊠Loan:356.67 US Dollar million □Guarantee	Lead Co-financier(s):	
ES category:	A	Borrowing Entity:	Ministry of Finance, India
Implementing Entity:	Chennai Metro Rail Limited		
Project Team Leader:	Wenyu Gu		
Responsible DG:	Rajat Misra		
Responsible Department:	INF1		
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Completed Site Visits by AIIB:	Sep, 2020 Virtual Appraisal Mission May, 2022 Field visit by Social Developmen Jul, 2022 July 25 – 29, 2022 Project Imple Mar, 2023 From March 20 to March 21, 2 review the implementation of the	ementation Mission 2023, the co-Project Team	Leader carried out a site visit to
Planned Site Visits by AIIB:	Aug, 2023 Project Implementation Missio	n	
Current Red Flags Assigned:	0		
Current Monitoring Regime:	Regular Monitoring		
Previous Red Flags Assigned:	0		
Previous Red Flags Assigned Date:	2022/12		

2. Project Summary and Objectives

The objective of Chennai Metro Corridor 4 (CMC4) is to provide increased capacity and efficiency of east-west connectivity by expanding the Chennai metro system. CMC4, spanning from Lighthouse (in the east) to Poonamallee Bypass (in the west), has a length of 26.8 km, of which 16.5 km is elevated, and 10.3 km is underground, with 18 and 12 stations, respectively.

The primary beneficiaries are new metro passengers who will benefit from faster, more reliable, and better-quality

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transport services of metro-based travel rather than road-based public and private transport. The secondary beneficiaries are residential and commercial establishments along the new corridor that will benefit from the improved accessibility and connectivity as well as increased economic opportunities.

AIIB finances the construction of 16.5 km of the elevated viaduct, including 18 elevated stations. The remaining project components are co-financed in parallel by ADB, NDB, and the Government of Tamil Nadu (GoTN).

Key Dates

Approval:	Sep. 23, 2021	Signing:	Oct. 26, 2021
Effective:	Nov. 23, 2021	Restructured (if any):	
Orig. Closing:	Dec. 31, 2027	Rev. Closing (if any):	

Disbursement Summary (USD million)

Contract Awarded:	276.38	Cancellation (if any):	0.00
		Most recent	
Disbursed:	115.45	disbursement	16.50/May. 18, 2023
		(amount/date):	
Undisbursed:	241.22	Disbursement Ratio	32.37
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5. Project Implementation Update

By the end of May 2023, the overall physical progress of the two single work packages under the project (ECV-01 and ECV-02) is estimated at 40% vs. a planned target of 78%. The disbursement is around 41% of the contracts' value. As of today, the overall delay is estimated at 6 months, but CMRL expects that the shortfall will be partially recovered in 2023 as no issue is preventing the physical progress anymore. Consequently, since January 2023, the monthly physical progress has substantially increased compared to previous months (11% progress in the last 5 months). Based on the revised time targets, CMRL expects the commissioning of the ECV-02 section by December 2025, and about 3 - 6 months later the ECV-01 section, since the physical progress of ECV-01 is lower. Initially, the entire Corridor 4 was expected to be commissioned by June 2025.

Components	Physical Progress	Environmental & Social Compliance	Procurement
Construction of	The physical progress of	As of the end May 2023, about 90%	There are only 2 civil works
16.5 km of the	the work packages is	of the required land has been	packages under this Project
elevated viaduct,	about 33.42% for ECV01	acquired.	and procurement processes
including 18	and about 46.81% for	As a result of the guidance already	for both the packages are
elevated stations.	ECV02. Although, the	provided during AIIB visit in May,	completed and contractors
	physical progress has	2022, during the mission on July 25-	are onboard. Given the 6
	speeded up in the last 6	29, 2022, CMRL is furnishing	month delay on the works,
	months, there is still a	detailed reports on the E&S	both civil work packages
	large shortfall in both	monitoring and performance	ECV-01 and ECV-02, which
	civil work contracts, the	incompliance with requirements of	contracts end in June 2024,
	planned physical work	the Project Agreement.	need to be extended for 6

¹ Disbursement Ratio is defined as the volume (e.g. the dollar amount) of total disbursed amount as a percentage of the net committed volume.



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was about 78.34% for ECV01 and 77.16% for ECV02.

The delays experienced during the first one and half years implementation have not been recovered. The low physical progress was due to the delay in traffic obtaining permissions from concerned authorities, land acquisition under Highway (along Department certain sections for road expansion, not Corridor 4 footprint) which was affecting the RoW availability for traffic diversion and to the insufficient resource mobilization. Under the package ECV-02, the progress delay is also due to a design change to integrate a highwaygrade separator into the metro structure at Kattupakkam. Its cost will be borne by the Government of Tamil Nadu, which is still reviewing the design change to issue the Administrative Sanction.

This includes details on the E&S aspects (records of the monitoring of air quality, noise levels, land acquisition, grievances, traffic management, etc.). AIIB team will continue to work with CMRL to strengthen the monitoring and reporting, and improve overall ES performance.

months. The process to extend the packages is ongoing.

Financial Management:

The project financial management system has been maintained by the designated financial team of CMRL. Project financial statements are timely provided in the format agreed with the Bank to reflect the overall sources and usage of project funds. Sufficient counterpart funds have been provided to secure due payment (total payments to contractors are 41% and 54.6% as of the end of May 2023, both ahead of physical progress mainly due to mobilization advances) and have been later reimbursed by the Bank. The overall project financial management system is acceptable to the Bank.

6. Status of the Grievance Redress Mechanism (GRM)

A two-tier GRM is in operation, i.e. at the field level and the implementing agency (IA) level. Resettlement activities are ongoing, and one grievance was reported received and resolved during the reporting period. No cumulative pending grievances are reported. As requested during the mission on July, 2022, CMRL provides monthly details on the people-affected and compensation under the Resettlement Plan.

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The overall responsibility for monitoring Project results are with CMRL, supported by the general consulting firm. Project progress and performance is monitored based on the result indicators presented below. Since the two works contracts commenced about one year and half ago (on June 9, 2021), tangible progress has been made.
Remarks:

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			Cumula	itive Targe	t Values																					
Project Objective Indicators	Indicator level	Unit of Measure	Baselin	e	2020		2021		2022	2023			2024		2025		2026		2027		End Target			Frequency	Responsibility	Comments
marcators			Year	Value	Target	Actual	Target	Actual	Target	Actual	Target	Actual	Target	Actual	Target	Actual	Target	Actual	Target	Actual	Year	Target	Actual			
Daily Project carrying passenger capacity	Project	Number	2020	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		N/A		N/A		127,220		2027	127,220		Annually	CMRL	
Reduced journey time	Project	Minutes	2020	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		N/A		N/A		49		2027	49		Annually	CMRL	

			Cumula	ntive Targe	t Values																						
Project Intermediate Indicators	Indicator level	Unit of Measure	Baselin	e	2020		2021		2022		2023		2024		2025		2026		2027		End Tar	get		Frequency	Responsibility	Comments	
				Year	Value	Target	Actual	Year	Target	Actual																	
Elevated viaducts stations constructed – civil works	Project	Percentage	2020	0	0		15	9.33	40	27.51	65		90		100		100		100		2027	100		Annually	CMRL	As mentioned above, there is a delay in the physical progress. CMRL has undertaken necessary action to speed up the works	
Indian Green Building Council (IGBC) Platinum rating for elevated stations	Project	Number	2020	0	0	0	N/A		N/A		N/A		18		2027	18		Annually	CMRL								
Number of Project stations designated to be fully operated by women	Project	Number	2020	0	0	0	N/A		N/A		N/A		2		2027	2		Annually	CMRL								
Employment during operations stage of the Project, disaggregated by gender (of which at least 30 percent are for women)	Project	Percentage	2020	0	0	0	N/A		N/A		N/A		30		2027	30		Annually	CMRL								

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| Percentage of female
passengers, satisfied
with station facilities
and services during
operations | Project | Percentage | 2020 | 0 | 0 | N/A | 75 | 2027 | 75 | Annually | CMRL | |
|---|---------|------------|------|----|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|-----|----------|------|--|
| Universal
accessibility features
incorporated into
Project design | Project | Yes/No | 2020 | No | No | No | Yes | 2027 | Yes | Annually | CMRL | |
| Climate
adaptation/resilience
measures
incorporated into
Project design | Project | Yes/No | 2020 | No | No | No | Yes | 2027 | Yes | Annually | CMRL | |