



# Cabinet approves extension of existing North-South corridor from GIFT City to Shahpur of Gujarat Metro Rail Corporation Limited (GMRC)

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The Union Cabinet chaired by the Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi, today approved the extension, from GIFT City to Shahpur, will be 3.33 kilometers long and include three elevated stations. The project is scheduled to be completed in approximately four years.

The estimated cost of the project is Rs.1,067.35 crore. This extended corridor is expected to benefit approximately 23,702 passengers in 2029 and approximately 58,059 passengers in 2041.

This corridor will strengthen connectivity between Ahmedabad & GIFT region. Major multinational companies, educational institutions, and commercial centers located along the proposed route will directly benefit.

Additionally, this extension will be beneficial to the daily commuters travelling between Ahmedabad & GIFT region for catering the travel need related to Business, Employment and Education, thereby significantly enhancing network integration and passenger convenience.

The project is expected to generate approximately 1,000 jobs in construction. Approximately 250 people will be employed in the post-construction phase for operations and maintenance. This project will generate a significant number of direct employment opportunities, equivalent to the number mentioned above. Additionally, other activities will generate indirect employment for even more people.

The project will be implemented by Gujarat Metro Rail Corporation Limited (GMRC), a 50:50 joint venture between the Government of India and the Government of Gujarat.

## **Background:**

Currently, the Gujarat Metro's 68.28-km Ahmedabad Metro Phase-I {APMC to Motera Stadium (North-South Corridor) & Thaltej Gam to Vastral Gam (East-West Corridor)} & Phase-II (Motera Stadium to Mahatma Mandir & GNLU to GIFT City), with total 53 stations have been successfully made operational since Sep-2022 (Phase-I) and January-2026 (Phase-II). The daily ridership on this line is approximately 1,60,000.

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