

Metro Line 9 "Pandurangwadi station" near old Dahisar Octroi Naka will connect the twin city --Mira Bhayander to Mumbai's western suburbs

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The Mumbai Metropolitan Region Development Authority (MMRDA) has been expeditiously undertaking the execution of 337.1-km of long metro line work in MMR, that is set to be attained by 2026. In a bid to provide effective transportation system and decongest the existing suburban railway lines including road traffic various metro corridors have been proposed and construction work is going on in such a way that each metro line is planned to be interconnected with each other. As part of this objective, MMRDA has proposed the Pandurangwadi station near old Dahisar Octroi Naka as interchange station on line 9 and terminal station of line 10 (Gaimukh to Shivaji Chowk (Mira Road)).

As the Metro line 9 alignment runs along the east side carriageway near Municipal Corporation of Greater Mumbai's (MCGM) old Dahisar octroi naka, the entry gate (kaman) infringes with the alignment therefore, the gate requires to be partly dismantled. As MCGM has already proposed development of the vacant plot adjacent to old Octroi Naka it can be integrated with the proposed metro station.

Earlier, this said station was planned to the west side of the service road on WEH before entry gate. However, this would require demolish of more than 150 structures --hotels, bar, restaurants and commercial units. With the revised station location on the east side of the carriageway, land acquisition and remove and replace (R&R) of all these shops that could have involved time consuming process subsequently affecting the project works stands eliminated. Necessary permissions have been obtained from the MCGM for demolish of entry gate. It has also been assured once the metro construction work is completed, MMRDA will construct new entry gate as per the design provided, informed the MMRDA official.

Revised plan of Pandurangwadi station on Metro Line 9 :

The alignment of Metro Line 9 was prepared by the Delhi Metro Rail Corporation (DMRC). As per the previous plan the alignment after overipada transverse along east of WEH and near toll plaza it comes to median and goes to the west side before Kaman. This involved number of portals for crossing from eastern portion to western portion by passing the entry gate near Dahisar Check Naka. Therefore the station location was revised to the west side of the carriageway. The technical feasibility has been examined. A meeting with the honorable legislator Manisha Choudhari and councillor was held on Feb 13, 2020 and consent was obtained.

Know about Metro Line 9 :

Metro line 9 (Dahisar-Mira Bhayander) comprising of 11km having 8 stations is an extension of Metro line 7 (Andheri East to Dahisar East) which is being constructed in two phases. The Phase 1 is line 7 which is 16.5 km long while the Phase 2 is further divided into two parts – CSMIA airport to Andheri East (called Metro Line 7A) which is about 3.5 km (consist of 2 stations) long, and further Dahisar to Mira Bhayandar (called Metro line 9). The construction of both the lines 9 and 7A is in progress. While the construction of metro line 7 is in competition stage.