

Affording better connectivity to Bandra-Kurla Complex and Compensating Mumbai University for using its land for construction of roads

Mr. UPS Madan, Metropolitan Commissioner, MMRDA and Dr. Sanjay Deshmukh, Vice Chancellor, Mumbai University jointly briefed the media as under -

- ❖ MMRDA will be constructing 1.2-km long elevated road with 2+2 lanes from Bharat Diamond Bourse Junction in BKC to Vakola Junction near WEH. For the purpose, Mumbai University will hand over a land admeasuring 18,834 sq. meters to MMRDA.
- ❖ Besides abovementioned road, MMRDA will construct 400-m long and 30-m wide road in the vicinity of Mumbai University for additional connectivity from BKC to SCLR. For the purpose, Mumbai University will hand over a land admeasuring 15,881 sq. meters to MMRDA.
- ❖ In all, the University will hand over land admeasuring 34,715 sq. meters. The TDR, generated after handing over of the land to MMRDA, will be sold and used for the overall development of Mumbai University which will include construction of Hostels, Staff Quarters, Guests House, Science Block etc. in an area admeasuring 3 lakh sq. meters approximately.
- ❖ The Mumbai Metropolitan Region Development Authority (MMRDA), in its pursuit to provide better connectivity to ever developing Bandra-Kurla Complex, is constructing a few roads -
 - Sea Link to BKC - The proposed flyover will provide free flow/signal-free traffic from Sea Link - from Mahim Causeway side entering into BKC
 - BKC to Sea Link - The proposed flyover will provide signal-free traffic from BKC towards Mahim Causeway - towards Sea Link side on WEH
 - In addition, there will be a road on stilt from Kalanagar towards Sea Link, which will cater to the traffic from Sion/Dharavi

Total length of the flyover including approaches in 1,888-m and is having 2+2 lanes. The estimated cost of the work is Rs. 253 crore.

- ❖ An elevated connector from BKC to EEH -
 - The connector starts from 'G' Block in BKC to join EEH via Mithi River, LBS Road, Central Railway track Duncan Causeway Road, colony road leading to Chunabhatti Railway Station, crossing Harbour Line tracks and Somaiyya Trust Ground
 - The 1.6-km long Connector will have 2+2 lanes
 - A bridge will be constructed across Mithi River
 - ROBs across Central and Harbour Railway lines
 - Viaduct from Chunabhatti Railway Station to EEH including dispersal system
 - Construction of ROB in lieu of level crossing near Chunabhatti Railway Station on VN Purav Marg is a part of BKC Connector project as requested by Railways. Length of ROB is 300-m with 2+2 lanes. This ROB will eliminate level crossing

The project will provide faster connectivity between BKC and EEH. Will also decongest Sion-Dharavi area. The estimated cost of the work is Rs. 155.70 crore. The project is expected to be completed by April 2018.