

ABSTRACT

Urban Development – Chennai Metropolitan Development Authority – Budget Announcement 2021-2022 - Announcement No.29 of Hon'ble Minister Housing and Urban Development regarding Linkage between East Coast Road (ECR) and Old Mahabalipuram Road (OMR) – In-Principle approval – Orders – Issued.

HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (UD3(1)) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Ms.) No.208

Dated 23.11.2022.

சுபகிருது வருடம் கார்த்திகை திங்கள்-7 திருவள்ளுவர் ஆண்டு 2053. Read:

- 1. Announcement made by the Hon'ble Minister for Housing & Urban Development Department in the Assembly for the year 2021-2022.
- 2. From the Member Secretary, Chennai Metropolitan Development Authority Letter No.Road/11181/2021, dated 16.02.2022& 13.10.2022.
- 3. Government letter No.14648/UD3(1)/2021-10, Housing and Urban Development Department, dated 02.11.2022.

ORDER:

Hon'ble Minister for Housing and Urban Development during the Budget session for the year 2021-2022 has made the following Announcement No.29 (Demand No.26) on the floor of the Assembly: -

"பழைய மகாபலிபுரம் சாலையையும் கிழக்கு கடற்கரை சாலையையும் இணைக்கும் வகையில், ஒக்கியம் துரைப்பாக்கம் கண்ணகி நகருக்கும், ஈஞ்சம்பாக்கத்திற்கும் இடையே ஏற்கனவே உள்ள சாலைகளை அகலப்படுத்தி பக்கிங்காம் கால்வாய் மீது சுமார் ரூ.180.00 கோடி செலவில் உயர் மட்ட சுழற்சாலை வகை மேம்பாலம் கட்டப்படும்".

2. In this connection a meeting was held under the chairmanship of the Principal Secretary to Government, Highways and Minor Ports department on

07.10.2022 to discuss the issues in the linkage between ECR & OMR and following observations have been made thereon:-

- 1. The issues in the implementation of the link were discussed, viz., requirement of vertical clearance of bridge across the canal as it is a part of National Waterway, wherein 220m long ramps on both sides of the canal are required.
- 2. The consultant's suggestion, proposed roads on the bunds of the canal and a rotary bridge in the middle were discussed and the associated issues with the objection raised by Water Resources Department on the permissibility of roads along the bunds and also the possibility of construction of rotary bridge affecting the flow in the canal were discussed.
- 3. The Principal Secretary to Government, Highways and Minor Ports expressed that providing road along the bunds will actually protect the canal and that it may be treated as an infrastructure and not a prohibited development on the bunds of the canal.
- 4. It was informed by Water Resources Department that construction of roads along the bunds for strengthening the bunds will be permissible and possible.
- 5. It was directed to look into the possibility of connecting all the existing roads on both sides of the canal and providing two-lane links with rotary bridge intersections in two or three new locations.
- 6. It was also directed to explore the feasibility of the above-mentioned points and also to explore other innovative options for implementation of the links through the consultant viz., M/s. L&T Infrastructure Engineering Limited, either by extension of the contract already awarded for the study or by additional award of a contract by following due procedures.
- 3. Now, the Government after careful examination, accord In-Principle approval to Chennai Metropolitan Development Authority for implementing the Announcement No.29 for the year 2021-2022 made by Hon'ble Minister (Housing and Urban Development) regarding Linkage between East Coast Road (ECR) and Old Mahabalipuram Road (OMR) in between Kannagi Nagar at Okkiyam Thoraipakkam and Injambakkam and to construct a high level rotary bridge across Buckingham Canel by linking the East Coast Road and Old Mahaballipuram Road at an estimated cost of Rs.180 crore.
- 4. The Government also direct the Chennai Metropolitan Development Authority to take up necessary studies to carry forward decisions taken in the meeting chaired by Principal Secretary, Highways and Minor Ports Department as referred to in para 2 above.

5. The Member Secretary, Chennai Metropolitan Development Authority is requested to pursue action accordingly.

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

HITESH KUMAR S MAKWANA, PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.

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The Chief Engineer,
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The Private Secretary to Principal Secretary to Government, Housing and Urban Development Department, Secretariat, Chennai-9.

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