

Press Release

A Review Meeting on Operations of Kalaignar Centenary Bus Terminus, Kilambakkam, by the Chief Secretary to Government, Tamil Nadu with various departments at the Secretariat

A meeting was conducted under the chairmanship of the Chief Secretary at Secretariat, to review the functioning of the newly inaugurated Kalaignar Centenary Bus Terminus, (KCBT) Kilambakkam. The meeting was attended by Additional Chief Secretary and Development Commissioner, Additional Chief Secretary, Transport Department, Additional Chief Secretary, Environment, Climate Change & Forests Department, Principal Secretary to Government, Home Department, Secretary to Government, Housing and Urban Development Department, Member Secretary, CMDA, Commissioner of Police, Tambaram, District Collector, Chengalpattu, Transport Commissioner, Managing Directors- MTC, SETC and TNSTC and other officials from NHAI, Highways Department, etc. The Chief Secretary reviewed the functioning of the bus terminus and examined the roles and responsibilities of various departments.

Each department presented the actions taken for providing better facilities and improved passenger convenience such as adequate information dissemination to the passengers, training to the crew members, traffic regulations, sanitation in the bus terminus, transfer of passengers from main terminus to the MTC terminal and vice versa, declaring the terminus as a “plastic-free zone”, etc. The Chief Secretary also instructed to form a Coordination Committee, comprising of CMDA, CUMTA, COP (Tambaram), District Administration, National Highways, State Highways, SETC, TNSTC, MTC and Transport Commissioner to coordinate various issues on a daily basis. He further instructed to create a new post in the DRO rank to manage the bus terminal at Kilambakkam. The DRO will be supported by additional staff including Deputy Collectors, and other staff who will be deputed for management of the terminus.

Various traffic related improvements were also discussed and instructions were issued to take up junction improvement works at Vandalur and Aynanchery and provide shuttle bus services to Vandalur railway junction in addition to the existing services. The Chief Secretary instructed CMDA to complete all the works related to accessibility for the differently-abled, based on the audit report. It was suggested to shift the operations of TNSTC and Omni buses after Pongal and ensure that the Kalaignar Centenary Bus Terminus operates at its full potential.

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