

MUMBAI GETS RS 16,909 CR BUDGET APPROVAL FOR INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS MAINLY FOR METROS

The Mumbai Metropolitan Region Development Authority (MMRDA) has announced its highest-ever budget of Rs 16,909 crore, allocating close to 44% (Rs 7,486.50 crore) to the construction and operation of 11 metro lines and a centre in and around Mumbai.

Ahead of the Lok Sabha and state assembly elections, Maharashtra Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis approved the budget that focused on the infrastructure of the city and its neighbouring areas.

Fadnavis also cleared two new metro lines — the 14th corridor between Kanjurmarg and Badlapur and the 9th between Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj International Airport — and the upcoming Navi Mumbai airport. The Detailed Project Reports for both corridors will now



▲ Large projects have also been approved.

be prepared.

Besides the corridors, a large chunk of the budget has been allocated to the much-delayed big ticket projects — the Mumbai Trans Harbour link (MTHL) and the Virar-Alibaug multi-modal corridor.

The MMRDA allocated Rs 3,000 crore to the MTHL, which will connect Sewri in Mumbai to Nhava Sheva in Navi Mumbai. The authority is hoping to complete 25% of work on the sea-bridge connecting two cities by the end of this year. It has allocated Rs 2,250 crore to the Virar-Alibaug multi-modal corridor. The Mumbai monorail, which is to be inaugurated soon, has got Rs 150 crore.

RA Rajeev, metropolitan commissioner, MMRDA, said, "The decisions are not only city-centric, they offer overall care. Metro, Metro Bhavan, road network, water supply, memorials, all are afforded the required attention."

Metro-2A (Dahisar to DN Nagar) and 7 (Dahisar E-Andheri E), which are expected to start operations from mid-2020, have been allocated Rs 1,895 crore and Rs 1,921 crore respectively.

CONCORDE GROUP LAUNCHES NEW LUXURY PROJECT IN BENGALURU

Concorde Group has launched Concorde Luxepolis, a unique luxury residential project in Bengaluru. With an address that boasts proximity to the city's best educational institutions, shopping centres, the iconic Sri Sringeri Shankara Mutt and Bengaluru's green cover, Concorde Luxepolis is situated at #1 Bull Temple Road.

Concorde Luxepolis comes with top-of-the-line features like palatial rooms with intricate designing, towering windows and Alexa-enabled smart homes that include light and appliance automation.

SPML INFRA BAGS NEW ORDERS WORTH RS 883 CRORE

SPML Infra has received four new orders for water supply and irrigation projects with a combined value of over Rs 883 crore, from Gujarat, Manipur and Punjab.

The first order received is worth Rs 724 crore for Phase 3 of Saurashtra-Narmada Avtaran Irrigation (SAUNI Yojana). The project aims to divert one million acre feet of water to 115 reservoirs through a 1,115-km pipeline network to irrigate 1.8 million hectare of land, and provide a drinking water facility to 39 million people across 132 towns and 11,456 villages in Gujarat to address the scarcity of drinking water in the Saurashtra, Kutch and North

Gujarat regions. The Link 4B, Package 7 project has the scope of supplying and laying a 139-km, 1,000-2,700 mm in diameter pipeline along with the construction of a pumping station and 10 years of O&M. SPML Infra has executed Phase 1 and Phase 2 of the project. The second order is a JV with Shristi Infrastructure Development, which is worth Rs 104 crore for the construction of a water distribution network and 24x7 domestic water supply along with sewerage management system for Ludhiana Smart City with five years of O&M.

The water supply projects in Manipur will help in making inroads to more water projects in North Eastern states.