

## Press Release

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# **L&T METRO RAIL OBSERVES INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES**

## **UNDER THE THEME: PROMOTING THE PARTICIPATION OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES AND THEIR LEADERSHIP CHILDREN FROM DEVNAR SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND TAKE A JOY RIDE IN HYDERABAD METRO RAIL**

L&T Metro Rail (Hyderabad) Limited (L&TMRHL) today observed with pride the **International Day of Persons with Disabilities (IDPD)** with the students of Devnar School for the Blind. This event was organised with the aim to increase public awareness, to make them understand and accept people with disability and to celebrate their achievements and contributions.

The students enjoyed a joy ride in Hyderabad Metro Rail from Begumpet to Nagole and back. During this process they were familiarised with the onboarding and deboarding process into the station from street level to concourse, enroute ticketing counter to the platform and then to the train. Hyderabad Metro Rail design is disability friendly and the blind students used the tactile flooring to trace their path successfully. It was indeed a heart-warming experience for everyone involved. Hyderabad Metro Rail staff escorted them to their destinations all through the journey as per their training and mandatory requirements.

Two students from the school Master Naman and Master Harshavar were familiar travelling with the metro and guided the rest of the students to metro facilities.

**Ms. Payal Kapoor**, Institutional Sales Manager, Mercquri Medica, who specialises in medical emergencies and preparedness, a specially abled blind person herself audited the facilities available at Begumpet and Nagole metro stations for blind people and appreciated the efforts of Hyderabad Metro for being disable friendly.

**Mr. KVB Reddy, MD & CEO, L&TMRHL**, during his interaction with the students stated that *“3<sup>rd</sup> December is celebrated as World Disability Day around the world and this activity today is in line with the UN theme for 2019 'Promoting the participation of persons with disabilities and their leadership'. He also mentioned that Hyderabad Metro Rail is disability friendly and measures are in place to address and help people with disabilities who need assistance and guidance to travel by Hyderabad Metro. He spoke to the students at length and encouraged them to travel by Hyderabad Metro.”*



**Image 1: Mr. KVB Reddy, MD & CEO, L&TMRHL keenly listens to the girl students from Devnar School for the Blind**



**Image 2: Mr. KVB Reddy Shares a lighter moment with the boys during his interaction**



**Image 3: Group of students using the tactile flooring to trace their path at HMR Begumpet Metro Station**



**Image 4: Mr. KVB Reddy, MD & CEO, Mr. Anil Kumar Saini, COO, Ms. Anindita Sinha, Head – Corporate Communications, L&TMRHL along with students and management of Devnar School for the Blind and Ms. Payal Kapoor.**

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