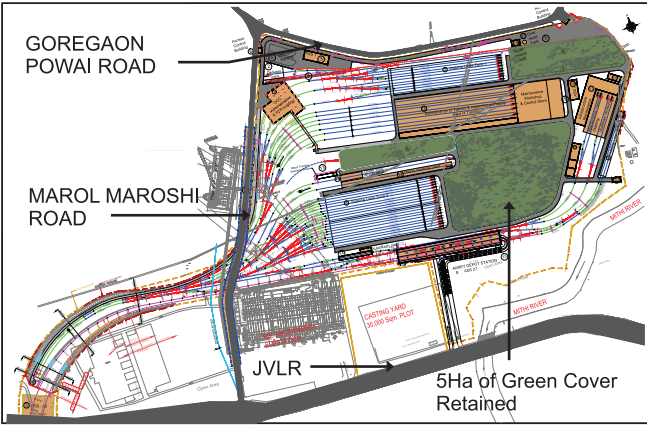


# THE TRUTH YOU SHOULD KNOW

Myths	Facts
Aarey Milk Colony is a forest	The Aarey Milk Colony land belongs to Dairy Development Department, Govt. of Maharashtra. National Green Tribunal (NGT:34 of 2015) and Hon'ble Bombay High Court (2766 of 2017) have examined and rejected this claim
Metro-3 Car depot is destroying Mumbai's Green Lungs	Land under Sanjay Gandhi National Park is 11,687 Ha while land under Aarey Milk Colony is 1,287 Ha of which 30 Ha (2.5% only) is required for Car Depot. In the designated 30 Ha, 83% is without any tree cover. As per Tree Census of 2017-18, there are 29.75 lakh trees in Mumbai. In Aarey Milk Colony there are 4.8 lakh trees against this, only 2646 trees will be impacted due to the Car Depot, out of which 461 will be transplanted and 2185 will be cut. Six times more number of trees will be planted fresh.
There is wildlife in Car Depot land	As per Environment Impact Assessment (EIA) study report there is no wildlife habitat in the Car Depot, the location is in fact surrounded by 3 major arterial roads; JVLR, Marol-Maroshi Road, Goregaon - Powai Road, together carry more than 1 lakh vehicles per day.
Depot land is in Mithi river flood plain	The Car Depot site is situated in the Mithi river catchment area and water is channelised by Storm Water Drainage system approved by MCGM. 75% land in Car depot will be unpaved and available for water absorption.
No alternatives were explored for car shed of Metro-3	At the DPR stage; Mahalaxmi Racecourse, MMRDA ground-BKC, Kalina University and Aarey Milk Colony were evaluated. At the Technical Committee Stage, 5 more locations - Backbay Reclamation, Mumbai Port Trust, Dharavi, Sariput Nagar, and Kanjurmarg were also considered. All locations were examined on merit but were ruled out on the basis of inadequate land area and technical suitability, environment, legal/ownership constraints and regulatory constraints.
Kanjurmarg option rejected without making serious efforts	Kanjurmarg was never an option at DPR stage. However, the citizen's group suggestion was accepted by the Technical Committee and recommended to the state government to make land available within 3 months. There is a title dispute pending in Bombay High Court since 1974 involving private parties and State Government wherein Bombay High Court issued Status Quo orders in 1997. However, MMRC through State Government made sincere efforts to vacate the stay and release the land for car depot. As the case was not resolved in reasonable time frame the state government allowed MMRC to proceed with Aarey Milk Colony site for Car Depot. Incidentally the said title dispute case is still unresolved. Kanjurmarg option which was considered in 2015 is not available today in 2019 as the project has progressed substantially and phase 1 is planned to be commissioned in December 2021.
The decision to build Car Depot at Aarey Milk Colony has not stood scrutiny of court	The Hon'ble Courts have examined the following petitions and rejected them on merits after hearing both the sides: <div><div>I) Aarey is 'Forest': Rejected by Bombay High Court in case of 2766/2017 and NGT 34 of 2015</div><div>II) Change of Land use from NDZ to Car Depot is illegal: Rejected by Bombay High Court in case of 2766/2017</div><div>III) Shift Metro-3 Car Depot from Aarey Milk Colony to any of the alternate sites: Rejected by Hon. Supreme Court (Ref SLP © No. 31178/2018, I.A.No 33819/2019)</div></div>



Metro-3 Car Depot Layout



## Improving Connectivity & Reducing Commuting Time

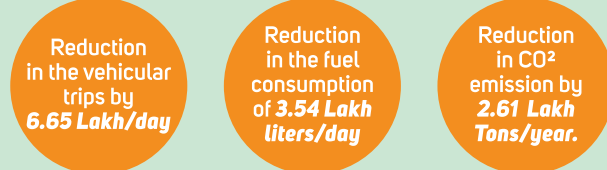
Metro – 3, with a 33.5 km fully underground corridor will cater to 17 lakh passengers daily with an unfailing frequency of 3-4 minutes, ferrying approximately 2500 passengers at a time. This will result in reducing commuting time from Cuffe Parade to SEEPZ by 60 minutes.  
Apart from creating connectivity to 6 major Business and Employment centers including Nariman Point, Cuffe Parade, Lower Parel, BKC, SEEPZ and MIDC; Metro -3 will provide connectivity to the areas not connected before with suburban rail like Kalbadevi, Girgaon, Worli, International and Domestic Airports. Metro-3 will seamlessly integrate with other Metros, Monorail, Suburban Rail and Bus Services.

## Plantation Initiative of MMRC

- 1) Total Trees Planted - 23,846
- 2) Trees Planted in SGNP - 20900
- 3) Trees Planted at other places - 2,946 (6" to 12" Girth & 12' to 15' Ft Height)  
Native Species - Sita Ashoka, Kadamba, Arjun, Mohagani, Behada, Karanj, Kanchan
- 4) Trees to be restored – 3000
- 5) Plants distributed (Project Neighborhood) – 25,000

## Positive Environmental Impact

The project will have a significant positive environmental impact by



**The rise in CO2 due to impacted trees at the Car Depot of 63,953 kg/Yr will be compensated by 197 Metro trips in 4 days and the lifetime CO2 increase will be compensated by 3,948 metro trips in 80 days**

Metro – 3 is on track. 61% Tunneling has been completed. 40% Station work has been completed. 10 System Contracts have been awarded. Apart from which, an investment of Rs. 11,198.33 Cr has already been made. The Car Depot will have a significant positive impact on commuting in Mumbai along with significant long term positive environmental impact. Metro – 3 trains are expected to be delivered in November 2020 but there is no space to house them. It is thus in the interest of Mumbaikars to avoid delays in the project which would lead to the cost increase, due to delay, of Rs.4.23 Cr per day. Apart from continuing average vehicular emission of 2.619 Lakh Tons CO2 which could be eliminated by Mumbai Metro operations.



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