



The state government of Tamil Nadu has approved Rs 100 crore for carrying out the development work of a four lane elevated corridor with the aim of developing effective and efficient mass transit systems along the GST road, a major arterial artery of Chennai.

The construction of a four-lane elevated corridor in Chennai's Grand Southern Trunk (GST) road from Teynampet to Saidapet for a stretch of 3.2 kilometres has been ordered, according to a government order issued by Pradeep Yadav, Additional Chief Secretary to Government, Highways and Minor Ports Department.

"The government accord administrative sanction of Rs 621 crore for carrying out the work of four lane elevated corridor in Grand Southern Trunk road from Teynampet to Saidapet through EPC mode of contract and the supervisory consultant to be appointed in consultation with Chennai Metro Rail Limited (CMRL) and accord financial sanction of Rs 100 crore for the current financial year 2023-2024," said a GO.

"The large scale of urbanisation and industrialisation with rapid growth of the vehicular population have put severe stress on the urban transport system in the city. The peak hour traffic along the GST road stretch is about 18,000 PCU which has exceeded the existing carrying capacity of 10,000 PCU. The average daily traffic is observed as 2,37,686 vehicles, " it added.

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