

(PUNE METRO RAIL PROJECT)

Huge Response to Pune Metro During Ganesh Festival: Passengers Prefer Metro for Ganeshotsav



Pune,18th September 2024: Ganesh utsav is celebrated with great enthusiasm in Pune. Many public Ganpati mandals across the city prepare elaborate themes and decorations for the festival. People from all over the city and outside Pune come to see these impressive displays. To better serve passengers during this busy time, Pune Metro extended its operating hours and increased the frequency of its services. During the Ganesh utsav period, metro services were extended until midnight, with trains running every 5 minutes.

On Anant Chaturdashi, from 17th September 2024 to 18th September 2024, metro services ran continuously for 24 hours, from 6 AM to 6 AM the next day.

Service schedules during the festival were as follows:

- From 7th September 2024 to 9th September 2024: 6 AM to 11 PM
- From 10th September 2024 to 14th September 2024: 6 AM to 12 AM (Midnight)
- On 15th September 2024 and 16th September 2024: 6 AM to 2 AM
- On 17th September 2024: 24 Hours from 6 AM to 6 AM (18th Sept)

During Ganeshotsav, Pune Metro was a preferred choice for passengers, making it easier for Ganesh devotees to visit the mandals in the Peth areas.

Number of passengers during Ganeshotsav period:

Date	Line-1 (Purple Line) Ridership	Line-1 (Purple Line) Revenue	Line-2 (Aqua Line) Ridership	Line-2 (Aqua Line) Revenue	Total Ridership	Total Revenue
07-09-2024	38909	451332	78814	994818	117723	1446150
08-09-2024	53999	663191	94711	1182030	148710	1845220
09-09-2024	49883	804126	100159	1698426	150042	2502552
10-09-2024	51699	823338	97727	1646927	149426	2470265
11-09-2024	52203	844759	98482	1669066	150685	2513825
12-09-2024	58382	940667	110182	1848165	168564	2788832
13-09-2024	61949	990537	114997	1952596	176946	2943133
14-09-2024	94848	1123916	148587	1849673	243435	2973589
15-09-2024	82601	1008352	143043	1787080	225644	2795432
16-09-2024	56264	908166	110270	1901483	166534	2809649
17-09-2024	92843	1398123	253790	4094289	346633	5492412
Total	693580	9956507	1350762	20624553	2044342	30581059

Stations with highest number of passengers during Ganeshotsav period (Date 7/9/2024 to 17/09/2024)

S.No	Stations	Prassenger Count	Revenue
1	PMC Metro Station	311578	4160514.5
2	PCMC Metro Station	280808	4324555
3	Ramwadi Metro Station	158693	3020479.5
4	Pune Railway Station Metro Station	136725	2003815.5
5	Deccan Gymkhana Metro Station	135734	1863610.5

During Ganesh Utsav, 74% of passengers purchased tickets digitally. As of 17th September 2024, 622 One Pune Cards and 503 Student Pass Cards have been issued to passengers.

On this occasion, Mahametro Managing Director Shravan Hardikar (IAS) stated, "A large number of passengers have utilized Pune Metro during Ganesh utsav. The metro service has ensured fast and timely travel. We extended service hours and increased the number of trips to better serve the Ganesh devotees. The people of Pune have responded positively to these efforts."

