

**Achieving ease of travel through mega infrastructure projects in Mumbai**

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Mumbai Coastal Road Project (South) is a prestigious project undertaken by BMC from the Princess Street Flyover to the Worli end of the Bandra-Worli sea link. The ₹ 12,721 Cr project will reduce commuting time by around 70% and fuel savings by about 34%, and will also reduce noise and air pollution. The creation of an additional 70 Ha of green area will reduce the pollution level thereby improving the health of the citizens of Mumbai. Citizens of Mumbai will get an additional Seafront Promenade. The Rs 23,942 crores Colaba-Bandra-SEEPZ Metro-3 project is Mumbai's first fully underground metro corridor from Cuffe Parade to SEEPZ. It is part of the Mumbai Metro Master Plan (357 km network consisting of 14 Metro corridors). Metro-3 will reduce the travel time between Cuffe Parade to SEEPZ to less than an hour. Once completed, it is expected to carry 17 lakh passengers and reduce fuel consumption to the tune of 2.95 lakh litres per day. Metro-3 will reduce 2.61 Lakh tons of CO<sub>2</sub> emission per annum and will result in about 6.67 lakh vehicles going off the road.



Ms. Ashwini Bhide is a post-graduate in English Literature from Pune University. She was ranked first among women candidates in Civil Service Examination in the year 1995. Ms. Ashwini Bhide has helmed some of the most ambitious, complex and mega urban infrastructure projects in the city of Mumbai - Coastal Road project as AMC of BMC, Mumbai Metro Line-3 as MD of MMRC, Eastern Freeway, the elevated road to International Airport, several flyovers on major arterial roads and rail over bridges including Milan ROB as well as the first phase of Mumbai Monorail in her stint with MMRDA. As Additional Municipal Commissioner of BMC, she is spearheading the Coastal Road project.