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PM Modi to inaugurate Phase II of A'bad-G'nagar metro on Sept 16

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rime Minister Narendra Modi will inaugurate the Phase II of the Ahmedabad-Gandhinagar Metro Rail Project on Monday, September 16. This phase spans up to 21 kilometres, covering a total of eight new stations initially, linking key locations between Ahmedabad and Gandhinagar like GNLU, PDEU, Gift City, Raysan, Randesan, Dholakuva, Infocity and Sector-1.

One of the defining features of the Metro Rail Extension is its affordability and time efficiency, an official release said. For instance, the Metro journey from APMC to Gandhinagar's Sector-1, which spans approximately 33 km, takes just 65 minutes and costs Rs 35. In comparison, the same journey via taxi can take over 80 minutes, with fares exceeding Rs 415. Similarly, auto rickshaw fares for this route hover around Rs 375, taking the same

amount of time or longer. By offering affordable fares and predictable travel times, the Metro is poised to become the go-to choice for daily commuters, students, and professionals working in the rapidly developing areas of Gandhinagar and GIFT City.

Further, the Metro's clean energy and efficient design significantly reduce the carbon footprint, making it a more sustainable option compared to private vehicles. The service will greatly help in easing traffic on Ahmedabad's busy roads, reducing both pollution and the strain on existing transport infrastructure.

The total cost for Phase II stands at Rs 5,384 crore. The Metro Rail Extension is expected to boost real estate development around the new stations, the release added. Residential and commercial units are expected to witness a surge in demand.

