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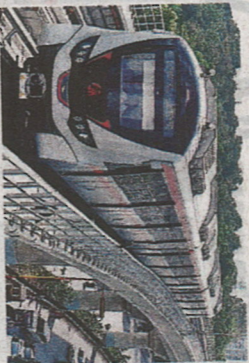
# GMRC eyes metro link to Olympics venue

## Proposes a 7-km route expansion from GIFT to ITT - Gn with six stations at a cost of Rs 1,750 crore

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In sync with the state government's plans to develop infrastructure for the Olympics, the Gujarat Metro Rail Corporation (GMRC) has made plans to offer connectivity to the Olympics site.

GMRC has in a proposal submitted to the Centre for approval, proposed to extend the second phase of Metro



from GIFT City to ITT- Gandhinagar. The route will be 7 km with six stations and the project cost is around Rs

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1/50 crore, a senior official said.

In addition, an 8 km extension from Thaltej Gam to Godhavi at a cost of Rs 2500 crore has also been planned and proposed.

The proposals are expected to be approved this year. Another proposal to extend the Metro to the airport is also pending and is expected to be approved later in 2025.

The Metro has proposed a 6-km track from Koteswar to the airport with 4 over and underground stations each in the airport to facilitate the movement of passengers. The project is expected to cost around Rs 1800 crore, sources said.

The corporation has urged the

Centre to approve the proposals as it would take at least 4-5 years to complete the projects to provide connectivity to Olympic sites.

This part was under Phase 2 of metro expansion but now has been included in Phase 3. Phase-2 from Morera to Sector -1 in Gandhinagar and from GNUU to GIFT city is already operational while the work from Sector -1 till Mahatma Mandir is in progress and is expected to be completed by December end.