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Metro trial run from Sachivalaya to Mahatma Mandir begins

On the occasion of Vijayadashami on Thursday, the Gandhinagar metro rail trial run successfully commenced, running from Sachivalaya to the route's final station, Mahatma Mandir, according to a press release by the Chief Minister's Office (CMO).

Under the continuous guidance of chief minister Bhupendra Patel, metro rail work has gained momentum. The trial run, previously limited to Sachivalaya, has now been extended to five additional stations: Akshardham, Old Sachivalaya, Sector 16, Sector 24 and Mahatma Mandir.

Upon completion of the trial run, the Metro Rail commissioner will submit the required applications to CMRS for approval. By the start of Nutan Varsh (New Year), Metro Rail services are expected to be operational up to Mahatma Mandir, said the release.

Once completed, metro rail services will be operational at 53 stations along the 68-



The metro service will connect 53 stations once fully operational

km route between Ahmedabad and Gandhinagar, offering travel that is more affordable, comfortable, and pollution-free.

Earlier today, on the occasion of Mahatma Gandhi's birth anniversary, Gujarat chief minister Bhupendra Patel offered floral tributes to Mahatma Gandhi at his birthplace, Kirti Mandir in Porbandar, and participated in a prayer meeting.

While paying tribute to Bapu, He said that Mahatma Gandhi, through khadi spun from cotton threads and the principle of Swadeshi, laid the foundation for an independent India and led the nation to freedom.

According to the press release, Prime Minister Narendra Modi, promoting Atmanirbharta and prosperity through Swadeshi with the mantra "Vocal for Local",

has inspired the vision of building a Viksit and Atmanirbhar Bharat.

CM Patel extended greetings on Vijayadashami, the festival celebrating the triumph of truth, and paid tribute to the divine spirit of revered Bapu. He said that remembering Mahatma Gandhi evokes the image of a selfless saint, a devotee of non-violence, and a universal humanitarian. ANI

CM plays floral tribute to Gandhiji

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Gandhinagar: Chief minister Bhupendra Patel paid floral tributes to Mahatma Gandhi at Kirti Mandir in Porbandar on Gandhiji's birth anniversary and participated in a multi-faith prayer meeting.

Programmes were organised across the state on Thursday to mark Gandhi Jayanti.

Patel said that Mahatma Gandhi laid the foundation for India's independence through khadi and swadeshi.

He added that Prime Minister Narendra Modi has carried forward his vision by inspiring the creation of a self-reliant and prosperous

India with the mantra 'Vocal for Local'. Extending Dussehra greetings to citizens, the CM emphasised the importance of non-violence as the highest expression of humility. He highlighted Gandhi's lifelong efforts for the upliftment of the poor and rural citizens, and underscored the significance of cleanliness, noting PM Modi's initiative to make it a mass movement. Patel also launched a QR code at Kirti Mandir to provide visitors with information about Gandhiji's life and legacy.

Later in the evening, Patel marked Gandhi Jayanti by purchasing khadi at a store in Thalje, Ahmedabad. He urged people to buy locally made products and contribute towards India's goal of becoming a developed nation by 2047.

