

# VOICE OF PMRDA

Pulse of the Evolving Pune Metropolis

# ENGINEERING MARVEL

## Pune's Silicon Valley to Zip via Metro Line 3

Built with an investment of ₹8,000 crore and powered by world-class technology, this 23.2 km corridor promises to turn the grueling daily trek for IT professionals and citizens into a swift, safe, and seamless experience.

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**The Hinjewadi-Shivajinagar Metro Line 3** is now set to redefine the city's commute.

## The New Face Of Pune's Urban Evolution



# Concrete Visions, Ground Realities!



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**VELOCITY  
& VISION**

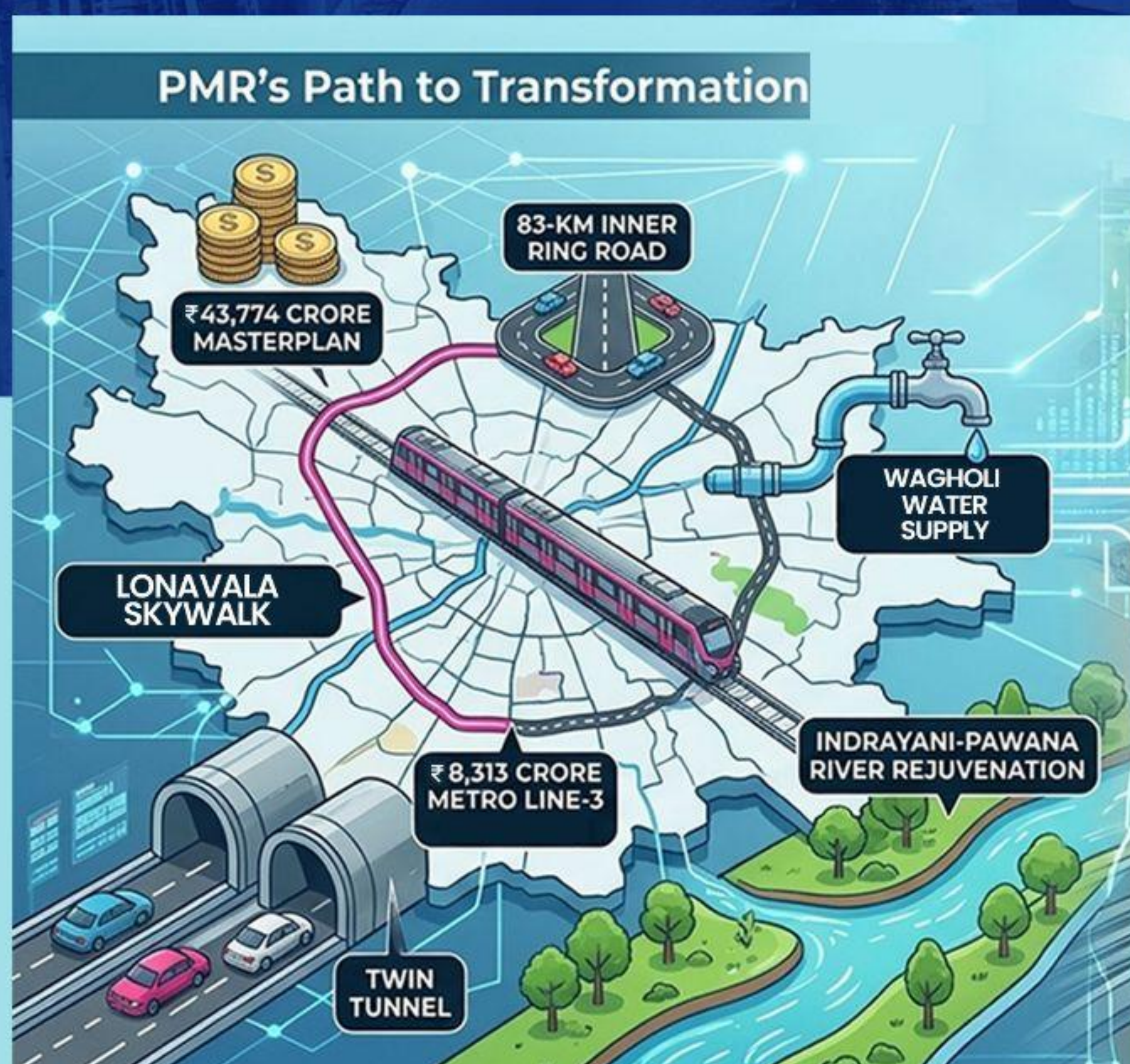
The rapid expansion of the Pune Metropolitan Region (PMR) is more than a mere shift in geographical boundaries; it is a quintessential marker of the evolving landscape of contemporary Indian urbanization. The ₹42,774 crore development plan presented by the Pune Metropolitan Region Development Authority (PMRDA) represents a decisive stride toward reimagining the city. It seeks to transition Pune from its established identity as an 'IT Hub' into a world-class, 'liveable city.' With an investment funnelled through approximately 204 projects, this blueprint is poised to become the backbone of the region's connectivity, ecology, and housing sectors.

At the heart of this comprehensive strategy lies a focus on seamless connectivity. The 83-km Inner Ring Road and the ₹8,313 crore Hinjewadi-Shivajinagar Metro Line-3 are not merely infrastructure projects but vital interventions to alleviate Pune's chronic traffic congestion. Meeting the operational deadline of May 2026 for the Metro will be crucial in restoring public faith in mass transit. Furthermore, the technically formidable ₹7,500 crore 'Twin Tunnel' project between Yerwada and Katraj promises to be a 'game-changer,' bridging the city's north-south divide.

However, sustainable urbanization transcends the mere construction of roads and concrete flyovers. The PMRDA's foresight is evident in its ₹1,000 crore allocation for the Wagholi water supply scheme and the Indrayani-Pawana river rejuvenation projects. In an era of burgeoning 'concrete jungles,'

sewage management and the rejuvenation of water bodies remain as critical—if not more so—than physical infrastructure. The implementation of 15 integrated Town Planning (TP) schemes, such as the Maan-Mahalunge project, offers a structural antidote to haphazard urban sprawl.

The true test, however, lies in translating this 50-year vision into reality. Formidable hurdles such as land acquisition, sustained funding, and strict adherence to project timelines persist as traditional bottlenecks. For Pune's planned metamorphosis to succeed, mere political will is insufficient; it necessitates a synergy of administrative consistency and proactive civic engagement. Pune is no longer just the cultural heart of Maharashtra; it has evolved into a vital engine of India's economic growth. If fueled by this ₹42,774 crore investment and steered by meticulous planning, the 'Pune Model' could well serve as a beacon for metropolitan regions across the country.



## Main Story

## Redefining Pune's Urban Arteries: A Journey with Metro Line 3!



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**FROM BLUEPRINT  
TO REVOLUTION!**

When the conceptual blueprints for Pune Metro Line 3 were first laid out, the objective transcended mere transit mapping. We were confronting the spatial constraints of a city outgrowing its own infrastructure. For anyone tethered to the persistent congestion of Hinjawadi, it was evident that Pune's 'Silicon Valley' required a mobility solution as sophisticated as the global enterprises it houses. As the Chief Engineer overseeing this 23.2 km corridor, my mandate has been to ensure that every kilometer reflects the pinnacle of contemporary engineering and urban foresight.

Metro Line 3 distinguishes itself as a trailblazer in Maharashtra's infrastructure landscape, being the first to be executed under the Public-Private Partnership (PPP) framework of the 2017 Metro Rail Policy. The collaboration between the Tata Group (TRIL Urban Transport) and Siemens—operating as 'Pune IT City Metro Rail Limited'—represents a robust synthesis of global expertise and local necessity. Under the Design, Build, Finance, Operate, and Transfer (DBFOT) model, this ₹8,000-crore investment is not merely a construction project; it is a profound vote of confidence in Pune's economic trajectory. This model has allowed us to maintain a rigorous pace and world-class quality standards, bringing us to a stage where 23 stations and the primary viaducts now stand as testament to our progress.

One of our most formidable logistical challenges was the reconfiguration of the Pune University Junction. To resolve this bottleneck, we undertook the strategic demolition of legacy structures to make way for a sophisticated integrated double-decker flyover. This single-pier marvel now facilitates dual-level transit: a vehicular flyover on the lower deck and the Metro viaduct on the upper tier. The installation of a massive 55-meter steel girder at the main junction was a critical milestone, achieved while ensuring minimal disruption to the city's pulse. Furthermore, by opting for a 'Third Rail' power system, we have preserved the aesthetic integrity of Pune's skyline, eschewing cumbersome overhead wires for a sleek, unobtrusive urban profile.

As we approach the projected 2026 launch, our focus remains on the seamless integration with existing Maha-Metro lines at Shivajinagar and the District Court. This corridor is designed to be more than a transit link; it is a vital lifeline intended to compress travel times, mitigate environmental footprints, and enhance the overall liveability of the city. We are currently in the final stages of completion, and I look forward to the citizens of Pune experiencing this paradigm of engineering excellence.



However, infrastructure is defined by more than just concrete and steel; its true value lies in social impact. A particularly significant initiative is our commitment to institutionalizing gender parity within the transport sector. In a historic first for Indian Metro operations, we are training a cohort of 100 women loco pilots to helm these rakes. This transition toward an all-women operational crew is a deliberate statement on the evolving role of women in high-stakes engineering and public service.

Pune Metro Line 3 Video



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# PMRDA Achieves 100% Digital Integration of Public Services; 29 Key Services Now Online!



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**POLICY TO PEOPLE**

The Maharashtra Right to Public Services (RTS) Act has helped bring a more transparent and time-bound approach to public service delivery. At PMRDA, our focus has been on making these services simple, accessible, and truly useful for citizens in their daily lives.

In line with the State Government's vision of taking services closer to people through digital platforms, PMRDA has notified 29 services under the RTS framework. Out of these, 25 services are currently integrated with the 'Aaple Sarkar' portal, enabling citizens to apply online without the need to visit government offices. The remaining 4 services are technical registration modules, which are also being managed digitally through dedicated systems.

We also understand that strong systems work best when supported by well-trained teams. PMRDA has therefore conducted training sessions for its officers to ensure they are comfortable with the digital processes and are able to assist citizens effectively. The aim has been to build a more responsive and citizen-focused approach across departments.

Alongside this, efforts have been made to spread awareness among citizens about the available services. Information is being shared through social media, display screens at PMRDA offices, and clear signage at divisional offices so that people are aware of how to access these services.

One of the key areas where this digital approach has made a difference is in development permissions. Through the PMRDA website and the 'Mahavastu BPMS' portal, applicants can now submit proposals, upload documents, and track their applications online within defined timelines.

Overall, this shift towards digital services is a step towards making governance more transparent, efficient, and convenient for citizens across the Pune Metropolitan Region.

To make access even easier, a few services are also available through a WhatsApp-based interface. Citizens can enter their details through the chatbot, and the information is seamlessly processed in PMRDA's RTS system. Once approved, services like certificates are also shared directly with citizens on WhatsApp, making the entire process more convenient and accessible.

This has helped reduce time, effort, and dependency on physical processes for citizens. We are also encouraged to see that there have been no appeals or escalations under the RTS framework so far, indicating that services are being delivered efficiently and within timelines.

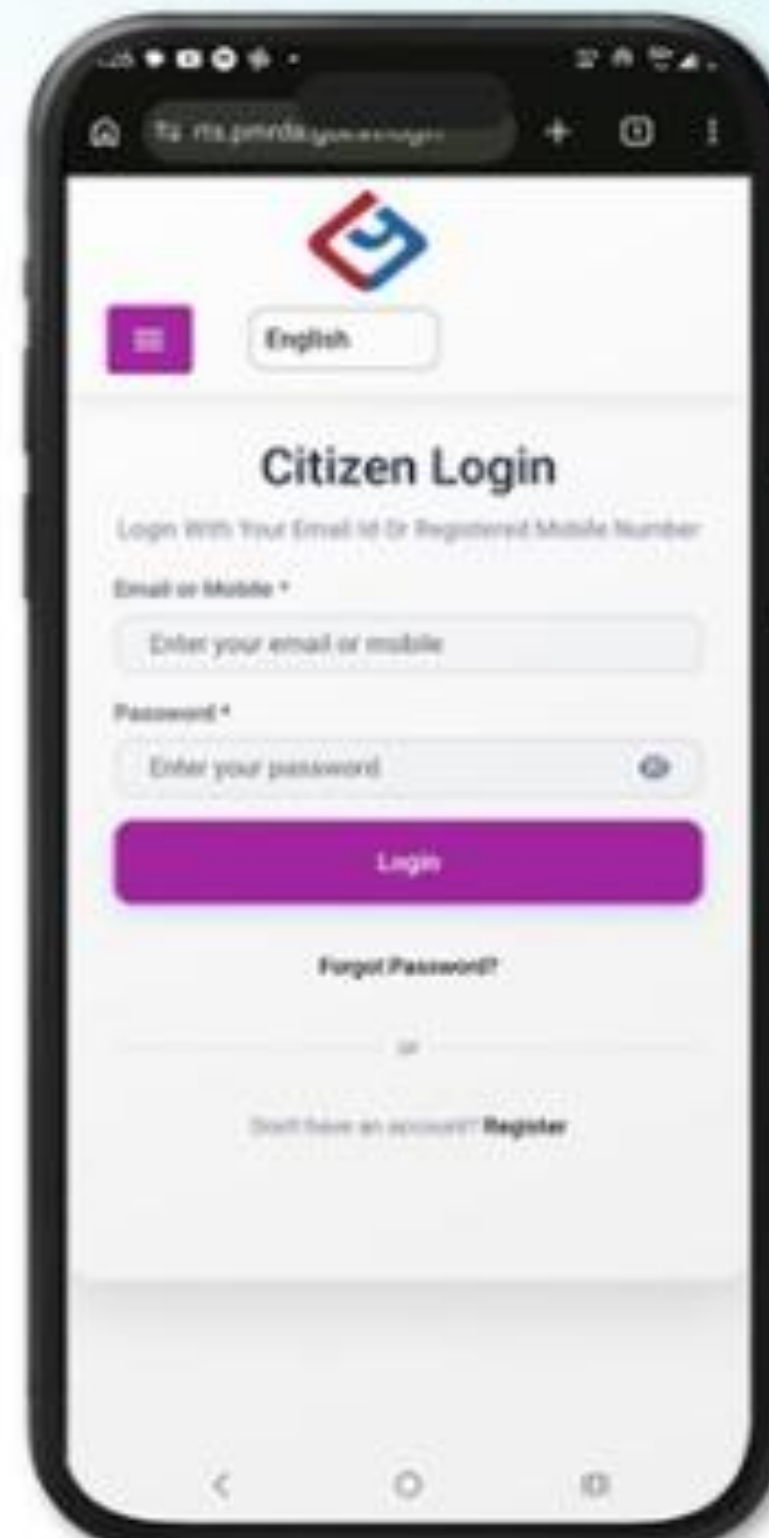


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Access RTS services via WhatsApp & AI Chatbot

Access via RTS Website - [rts.pmrda.gov.in](https://rts.pmrda.gov.in)

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Access RTS services via Aaple Sarkar Portal



# PMRDA Events & Achievements



## International Women's Day

Special Program At PMRDA Akurdi Office



## Guest Lecture on Stress Management



## Professional Guidance on Financial Literacy



### Rural Road Development in the Heart of Mulshi Taluka

PMRDA continues to strengthen rural connectivity with the ongoing concretisation of the Uravade-Mukaivadi-Pirangut ghat road in Mulshi taluka. Spanning 6 km with a 7-meter width, the project reflects a structured push toward durable infrastructure, with 2.3 km already completed. This all-weather road promises safer, smoother travel for residents and improved access for students of PIBM College. By enhancing connectivity to Pirangut's industrial belt and the Lavasa region, the project underscores a balanced approach to regional development, earning appreciation from local communities.



## What are Local Residents saying?



## My Village, My Progress



First of all, I would like to thank PMRDA for solving our traveling problem via this road. This road was in such a bad condition since years that even school kids used to suffer while travelling from this road.

**Shantaram Salunkhe**  
-Local Resident, Uravade Pirangut Ghat Road, Mulshi Taluka



We used to suffer a lot while travelling from this road. There was no space left for a plain road for the vehicles to pass easily. But today, this road has become the best for travelling now.

**Ulhas Magar**  
-Local Resident, Uravade Pirangut Ghat Road, Mulshi Taluka

### PMRDA's Sports Infrastructure: International Standard Football Arenas

Pune Metropolitan Region Development Authority is redefining Pimpri-Chinchwad's sporting landscape with the near completion of international-standard football and multi-utility arenas at Sectors 3 and 12. Blending technical precision with community-focused planning, the Sector 3 facility offers a 44m x 30m synthetic football turf, squash court, 40+ spectator seating, utility building, and dedicated parking. In contrast, Sector 12 features a full-scale 68m x 105m FI-FA-compliant turf, a 400+ capacity stadium, and an advanced drainage system ensuring year-round playability.

These arenas stand out for their professional-grade surfaces, integrated amenities, and scalable design—making them accessible yet competition-ready. Backed by strong execution and on-ground monitoring by senior officials, the project reflects a clear vision to nurture grassroots talent. Once operational, these facilities are poised to boost local sports culture while positioning the region as a growing hub for football excellence and youth development.



# The Pune Pivot: On the Region's Global Economic Ambitions!



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## VISION PMR

The trajectory of urban development in India is undergoing a profound paradigm shift, moving beyond mere spatial expansion toward the creation of holistic economic engines. Under the aegis of NITI Aayog's "Growth Hubs" initiative, the Pune Metropolitan Region (PMR) is now positioned to redefine its stature on the global stage. Drawing from the strategic blueprint of the Mumbai Metropolitan Region, the PMR is embarking on a mission to craft a dedicated Economic Master Plan—one that views the region not merely as an industrial cluster, but as a pivotal pillar in the vision of a "Viksit Bharat 2047."



Pune's existing ecosystem is a compelling testament to its latent potential. Already a premier destination for Information Technology and a global hub for automobile engineering, the region boasts a unique "Knowledge Economy" anchored by over 800 higher education and research institutions. However, the exigencies of rapid urbanization necessitate a more coordinated and sustainable intervention. The proposed "Growth Hub" strategy seeks to harness these inherent strengths to significantly bolster the Gross District Domestic Product (GDDP). This transformation aims to catalyze massive employment, with a projected creation of 1.5 to 1.8 million new jobs by 2030, with a specific, much-needed emphasis on enhancing female workforce participation.


The roadmap identifies several "Growth Drivers" essential for this leap. While strengthening advanced manufacturing in the Chakan-Talegaon-Ranjangaon corridors, the plan sagaciously pivots toward future-ready sectors such as Artificial Intelligence (AI), semiconductor design, and Electric Vehicles (EV). The integration of high-speed connectivity via the Ring Road and the proposed international airport is expected to act as a force multiplier, potentially injecting billions into the local economy and establishing a world-class multimodal logistics hub.

Furthermore, by weaving heritage, agricultural, and spiritual tourism into the economic fabric, the plan ensures that growth remains culturally rooted and geographically inclusive.

To translate this vision into a tangible reality, the PMRDA is collaborating with institutions like YASHADA and the Pune International Center to build a robust implementation framework. This involves a granular analysis of the current landscape to set ambitious yet empirical milestones for 2030 and 2047. By streamlining administrative protocols and enhancing the 'Ease of Doing Business,' the region is fostering a fertile environment for both domestic and foreign capital.

The ultimate goal is to dismantle bureaucratic bottlenecks and cultivate a mindset of relentless innovation. Pune is no longer merely competing with domestic peers; it is stepping into the global arena, ready to spearhead Maharashtra's journey toward a trillion-dollar economy and anchor India's aspirations for the next quarter-century.



  
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