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Title: Re. Early Construction of Metro Corridor No.- 13 from Shivaji Chowk (Mira Road) to Virar (DPR UP).

**SHRI RAJENDRA DHEDYA GAVIT (PALGHAR):** The Indian Railways, Government of Maharashtra through Mumbai Metropolitan Regional Development Authority (MMR), Mumbai Railway Vikas Corporation and World Bank are involved in implementing investment plan for improving and expanding the transport network of Mumbai. Metro system of 450 kms is to be constructed under MMR. Corridor No. M-13 from Shivaji Chowk (Mira Road) to Virar (DPR UP) of 23 kms length is to be constructed to link Vasai-Virar Corporation area. The corridor is in DPR stage at present. As per the plan, the corridor is to be constructed during 2027-2031 and is likely to be operational by 2031. A large part of the population of Mumbai reside in Virar and go to various parts of Mumbai for their work/jobs through local trains. The local trains are unable to cope up with the increasing number of passengers and the situation is deteriorating day by day. Only early construction of Metro Corridor No. M-13 from Shivaji Chowk (Mira Road) to Virar (DPR UP) could solve the problem to some extent.

I request the Government for early construction of Metro Corridor No. M-13 from Shivaji Chowk (Mira Road) to Virar (DPR UP) of 23 Kms length for the benefit of the people of Vasai, Virar and Palghar.