

More trains, trips on Aqua Line

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IN welcome news of commuters travelling by the Aqua Line between Noida and Greater Noida, starting June 3, Noida Metro Rail Corporation (NMRC) will increase the number of trains and trips between the twin cities. An additional three trains will be pressed into service, resulting in an increase of 58 train trips per day during weekdays.

According to NMRC officials, the Aqua Line is currently running 163 trips per day with a fleet of 10 trains. "From June 3, we will not only put into service an additional three trains but also increase the frequency of the Metro trains on the Aqua Line," PD Upadhyay, executive



director, NMRC, said. "With the increase in frequency the number of trains will increase to 13 and the number of trips per day will rise to 221," he said.

Upadhyay said that the trains on the Aqua Line will now ply at a frequency of 7 minutes 30 seconds during peak hours (8am to 11am and 5pm to 8pm) and 10 minutes during non-peak hours on weekdays from Monday to Friday.

Metro services at 6 am for UPSC aspirants

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IN view of Civil Services' preliminary examination, Metro services on Sunday will begin at 6 am on all corridors, officials said.

"This arrangement is being made to facilitate candidates appearing for Civil Services (Prelim) Examination held by UPSC this Sunday," a DMRC official said, confirming the move.

Metro services on Phase-III sections, which usually begin at 8 am on Sundays, will begin at 6am on all lines, including the Phase-3 extensions, he said.

Lakhs of aspirants are scheduled to appear for the UPSC preliminary examination that is to be held in two sessions. *With PTI inputs*