

Important Gujarat News

December 31, 2022

1. Gujarat Metro Corporation Ltd fails to attract passengers:

The number of passengers in the partially completed lines is much below the expected numbers. However it is expected that as the facilities are completed, the traffic may improve to make the project viable financially.

Phase 1 of 40.03 Km with a North South corridor (between Motera Stadium and APMC) and an East-West corridor (between Thaltej Gam and Vasttral Gam) was opened to public on 2nd and 6th October 2022. The interchange between the two corridors is operational at the Old High Court. A few of the stations are under construction. One reason is that shopkeepers in Thaltej Gam West and Jivraj Park in Vejalpur areas have moved Gujarat High Court against acquisition of land. Japan International Co-operation Agency (JICA) has financed Phase-1 of the project.



September 30, 2022: Inauguration by Prime Minister Narendra Modi

Phase 2 of North-South corridor (between Mahatma Mandir and Motera Stadium, with a branch line between GNLU and GIFT city and with interchange between the North-South corridor and the Branch Line at GNLU) is under construction.

2. Pankaj Patel, Director of the University School of Management to take over as the Acting Vice Chancellor of Gujarat Technological University.

On December 31, 2022, Dr. Navin Sheth completes his second term as the Vice Chancellor of GTU. Due to elections to the Legislative Assembly of Gujarat State in December 2022, the Search Committee for the new Vice Chancellor has not yet been appointed. Till the Search Committee selects a new VC and the till the new VC takes over, Dr. Pankaj Patel will hold the office.



Dr Navin Sheth during his term succeeded in persuading the State Government to grant 100 acres of land for construction of its permanent campus.

3. A new Water Supply Scheme for the city of Padra and for 88 villages of Padra-Vadodara area:

The Government has approved a Rs 164 crore scheme for improving the water supply to these areas. The work will be completed by December 2023.
