

First Kanpur Metro train set reaches Polytechnic depot



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KANPUR: The first set of [Kanpur Metro](#) trains consisting of three coaches placed over giant open trailers arrived at the Government [polytechnic](#) on Tuesday morning. [Uttar Pradesh](#) Metro Rail Corporation ([UPMRC](#)) has constructed a depot for Kanpur Metro on Government Polytechnic ground.

The first set of Kanpur Metro remained packed even after its arrival here and would be uncovered and unloaded to be moved further inside the depot on Wednesday when UPMRC managing director [Kumar Keshav](#) will also be present.

This first set of Kanpur Metro would be used for conducting trials scheduled to be held in the middle of next month, exactly two years after the launch of the Metro construction in the industrial city. So far, the Metro tracks have been laid till [Geeta Nagar](#) crossing station. The work to lay the track on the remaining route is going on at a fast pace.

However, for Kanpur denizens Metro operations will commence in January next year.

On September 18, the first Metro train was flagged off from Alstom's manufacturing plant in Savli in Gujarat and it was then expected that this vehicle mounted metro train would reach Kanpur city by the end of September. Metro train arrived in Kanpur city via road route.

Chief Minister [Yogi Adityanath](#) had on September 18 virtually unveiled the first Metro train set. UPMRC MD Kumar Keshav and Alstom managing director [Alain Spohr](#) were present in Salvi at the flagging off ceremony.

There will be a total of 39 Metro trains and each will have three coaches and would be able to accommodate over 950 persons. In the first phase, Metro will run between IIT-Kanpur and Motijheel – named as priority corridor. This corridor is nine-kilometre-long and will have nine stations.