Aqua line Metro extension put on the track with a rider

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Lucknow: Six months after Noida Metro Rail Corporation Limited (NMRC) Board approved the detailed project report (DPR) for Aqua line Metro extension project from Sector-142 to Botanical Garden, the state cabinet on Tuesday gave green signal to the project with a rider that state govt won't fund the project.

The Rs 2254.35 crore worth project is likely to be funded by the central govt's Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA) and New Okhla Industrial Development Authority.

The extended metro line will have eight new stations, including Botanical Garden, Noida Sector – 44, Noida Office, Noida Sector – 97, Noida Sector – 105, Noida Sector – 108, Noida Sector – 93 and Panchsheel Balak Inter College covering the length of 11.56 km.

The corridor will provide multimodal integration with the Botanical Garden bus stand. Passengers can easily interchange between the Aqua Line and buses (Intra-City/ Inter-City) at Botanical Garden Metro station.

The corridor will also ensure convenient and hassle-free direct connectivity



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to Indira Gandhi International Airport (Terminal-T1) via Magenta Line of Delhi Metro and seamless commute to major Indian Railways stations, such as New Delhi, Anand Vihar through the Blue Line of Delhi metro.

"This corridor will provide seamless connectivity to all the commuters travelling for Noida-Greater towards Delhi and vice-versa. It has expected ridership of approximately 80,000 in the initial stage. From this, Botanical Garden Station will become the big interchange station having three stations," said the official.