



Press Release

Rapid Metro organized Rapid Walk, 2013 to promote walking among people of Gurgaon

- *To create congestion and pollution free city*
- *To promote a healthy lifestyle*

Gurgaon, March 10th 2013: Life is a movement and we all want to live it healthy and better, keeping this in mind **IRL FOUNDATION**, the philanthropic arm of IL&FS Rail, today organized **Rapid Walk Gurgaon 2013** to bring people from different social and economic backgrounds to this simple and powerful act of walking.

This is consecutively for the second year that **IRL FOUNDATION**, the philanthropic arm of IL&FS Rail, part of IL&FS group, organized **Rapid Walk Gurgaon 2013**, a 4 km walk which was started at 8.30 am from **Leisure Valley Parking Ground (opp Crowne Plaza)** and finished at the same point after taking a full circle with various rest points along the route.

Speaking on the occasion, **Mr. Sanjiv Rai, Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer, IL&FS Rail Ltd** said, "Life is precious and we all want to live a healthy and better life. In communities across the world, there is a growing need and responsibility to provide options that give people the opportunity to walk and to feel safe while commuting. We urge people to walk to our stations, and take the Rapid Metro which is more convenient, safe and comfortable. Less number of vehicles will ensure less pollution, better average speed, fuel saving and lesser accidents."

The main objective to organize Rapid Walk was to promote walking. Individuals and organizations plant the seeds for initiating change by creating awareness about pedestrian issues and alert others to the benefits of walking.

Walking also promote use of public transport, unless people get into habit of walking, they will not use public transport. Walking is good for Health & Environment but walking is unsafe today on many roads as pedestrians get low priority on roads and footpaths don't exist or are encroached or are dirty.

This year many companies have joined hands with **IL&FS Rail** to promote the habit of walking among Gurgaon residents...to name a few Siemens, Artemis Hospitals, Ansal University, Vodafone, 3C, Micromax and Gurgaon citizen council.



About Rapid Metro

Rapid Metro Gurgaon is the initiative of IL&FS Rail and it is developing country's 1st fully privately funded Metro Rail system. The driving force behind Rapid Metro is IL&FS Rail which is a subsidiary of Infrastructure Leasing & Financial Services Limited (IL&FS), India's leading infrastructure development and finance company.

The Rapid Metro is being constructed at a cost of Rs 1,088 crore and Rs 2143 crore in the second phase. The connection will have six stations.

About IL&FS

IL&FS Rail is part of **Infrastructure Leasing & Financial Services Limited (IL&FS) group**, India's leading infrastructure development and finance company. Pioneer in 'Public Private Partnership' model IL&FS has significant experience and expertise in the area of Project Development, Project structuring, Project Monitoring and construction, administration and operations.

IL&FS has developed an array of innovative solutions on the public private partnership platform to develop commercially viable models for infrastructure projects.