

# Aqua Line stns get sanitary napkin vending machines

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**Greater Noida:** Noida Metro Rail Corporation (NMRC) has installed sanitary pad vending machines in all 21 metro stations of Aqua Line. The machines will be officially launched on International Women's Day.

According to metro officials, the move is aimed towards extending accessibility to sanitary napkins.

The initiative under which the machines were installed is being called "Nirmalya". It has been undertaken by the NMRC under its CSR programme in collaboration with Ace Foundation, a real-estate development firm based in Noida. The machine will dispense sanitary napkins for free.

A spokesperson of NMRC told **TOI** that the machines have been installed inside women toilets.

"The process to dispense a napkins will require a coin, which will be provided to the commuters by the station's staff. We are making arrangements under which the coins will be kept near the machines," said the spokesperson.

These machines were installed 10 days ago and have already garnered a good response from the station staff.