

CM inaugurates maiden mechanized car parking facility in city-centre

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Srinagar, May 17: Chief Minister Mehbooba Mufti on Wednesday inaugurated the first semi-mechanized multi-level parking in the state in city-centre here on Wednesday.

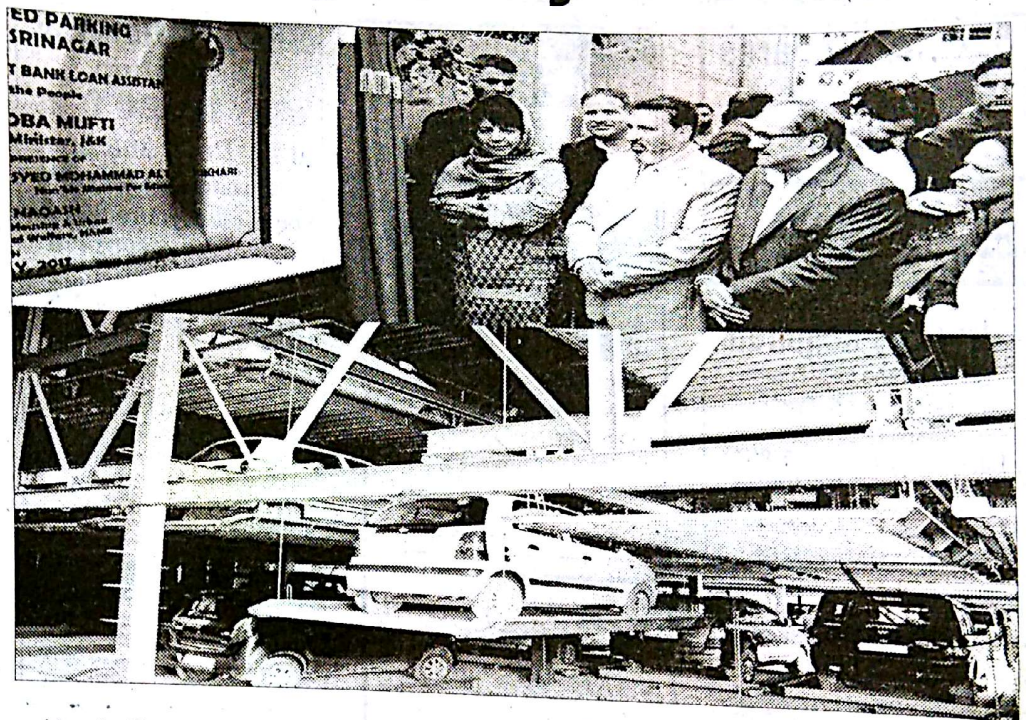
The parking is expected to provide much needed relief to commuters in one of busiest commercial places in the summer capital.

The project completed at a cost of Rs 27.15 crore will accommodate 288 light motor vehicles and is expected to ease out ongoing parking problems, officials said.

Chief Minister pressed a button which lifted the levers automatically, signaling formal inauguration of the facility. The CM went around various parking levels and witnessed the parking and retrieval process of the vehicles. CEO Economic Reconstruction Agency (ERA), Vinod Sharma briefed the Chief Minister about the features of the project. The Chief Minister said the need for such a facility was felt for quite long, given the increasing number of vehicles in the city. She hoped the facility would ease traffic congestion at Lal Chowk and around by a great measure.

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Director, JK Economic Reconstruction Agency (ERA) told Greater Kashmir that the



parking facility will be put into public use in next one week after being handed over to Srinagar Development Authority. "We will formally handover the parking to SDA after which it would be made operational for public use. We are in the process of explaining the nuances of the parking to SDA," Razdan said.

He said the facility comprises four bays with each having parking space for 72 light motor vehicles. "The facility is spread over an area of 1545 square meter which also includes three storied commercial complex comprising of office space and public toilet," he informed.

According to officials, work on the sub-project has been completed by JK ERA under its ongoing Jammu and Kashmir Urban Sector Development Investment Programme (JKUS-DIP) funded by Asian Development Bank.

To mention, work began on this parking project in 2013 and

was to be completed by 2014 end but flash floods delayed its completion. However, despite a deadline of May 31, 2017, the project has been completed much prior to the scheduled date.

The entry point for the parking facility has been kept from Maulana Azad road and vehicles would exit from exchange road. "This will provide easy and safe parking for vehicle owners who will have to just place their vehicle over the automated pellet and vehicle will be automatically placed in the available vacant parking slot. Similarly the vehicles will be retrieved back from the slot and placed at the automated pellet with whole process taking less than 2 to 2.5 minutes," said an official.

The process will be undertaken with the help of imported HID (Human Interface Device) called PLC (Programmed Logic Control Unit) which will be operated by trained engi-

neers and technicians of M/S Simplex engineers private limited who will operate the parking facility for the period of three years as per provisions of the contract and will simultaneously train and build capacities of personnel from SDA (Srinagar Development Authority) which will operate the facility after expiry of operation and maintenance period with the contractor.

Among those present at the inauguration ceremony was Deputy Chief Minister, Dr. Nirmal Singh, Education Minister and MLA Amira Kadal, Syed Muhammad Altaf Bukhari, Minister for Housing and Urban Development, Social Welfare, Health and Medical Education Asia Naqash, MLC Khurshid Alam and Divisional Commissioner, Kashmir, Baseer Ahmad Khan besides District Development Commissioner, Srinagar, Farooq Ahmad Lone, VC Srinagar Development Authority Thaseen Mustafa.

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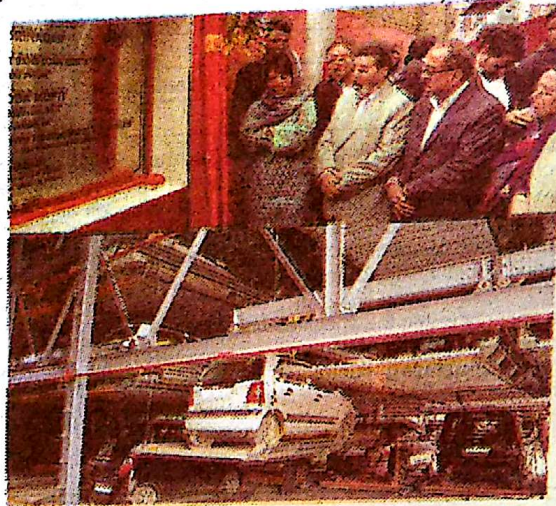
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