

ABOUT THE CROSS ISLAND LINE (CRL)

When completed in 2030, the 50-km CRL which starts from Changi, and passes through Loyang, Pasir Ris, Hougang, Ang Mo Kio, Bukit Timah, Clementi, West Coast and Jurong, is expected to have a daily ridership of at least 600,000 commuters. It will connect all of our existing radial MRT lines, with close to half of the 30-plus CRL stations being interchange stations. The CRL is a critical component of our rail network plans. It will bring significant benefits to commuters by improving network connectivity and network resilience.

2 Commuters using the CRL can expect to complete their journeys in significantly shorter times than today. For example, with the CRL, a public transport commuter travelling from Ang Mo Kio can reach almost any part of Singapore in less than an hour, saving up to 30 to 40 minutes of travel time. The eastern leg of the CRL will include a segment that extends into the centre of Punggol. Residents in Punggol will be able to travel directly to Pasir Ris - a popular travel route - in only 10 to 15 minutes, compared to a 40-minute bus journey today.

3 The CRL will also help to redistribute commuter load away from the other lines, making journeys more comfortable for commuters. It will also enhance the resilience of the MRT network. Commuters will have more alternative travel routes on the rail network to get to their destinations, in the event of a service disruption on one of the lines.