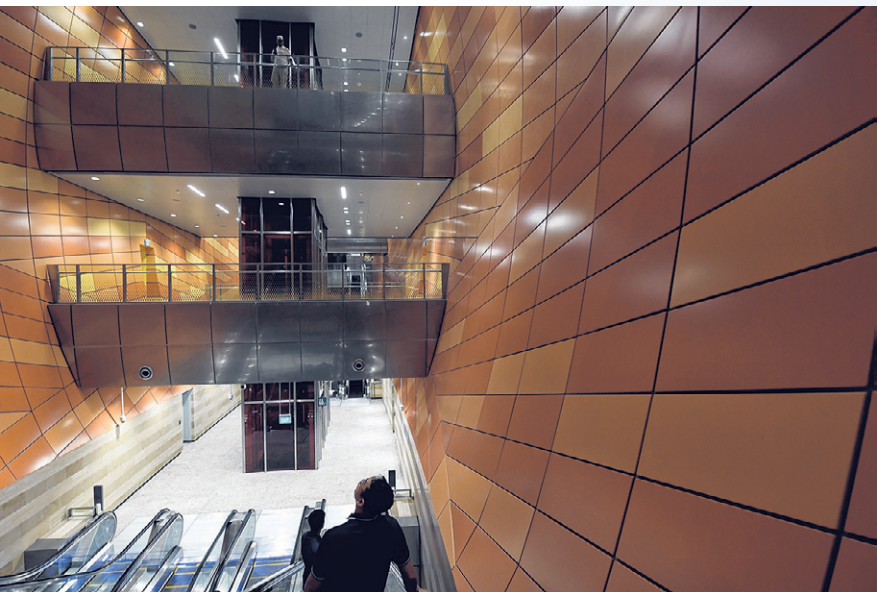
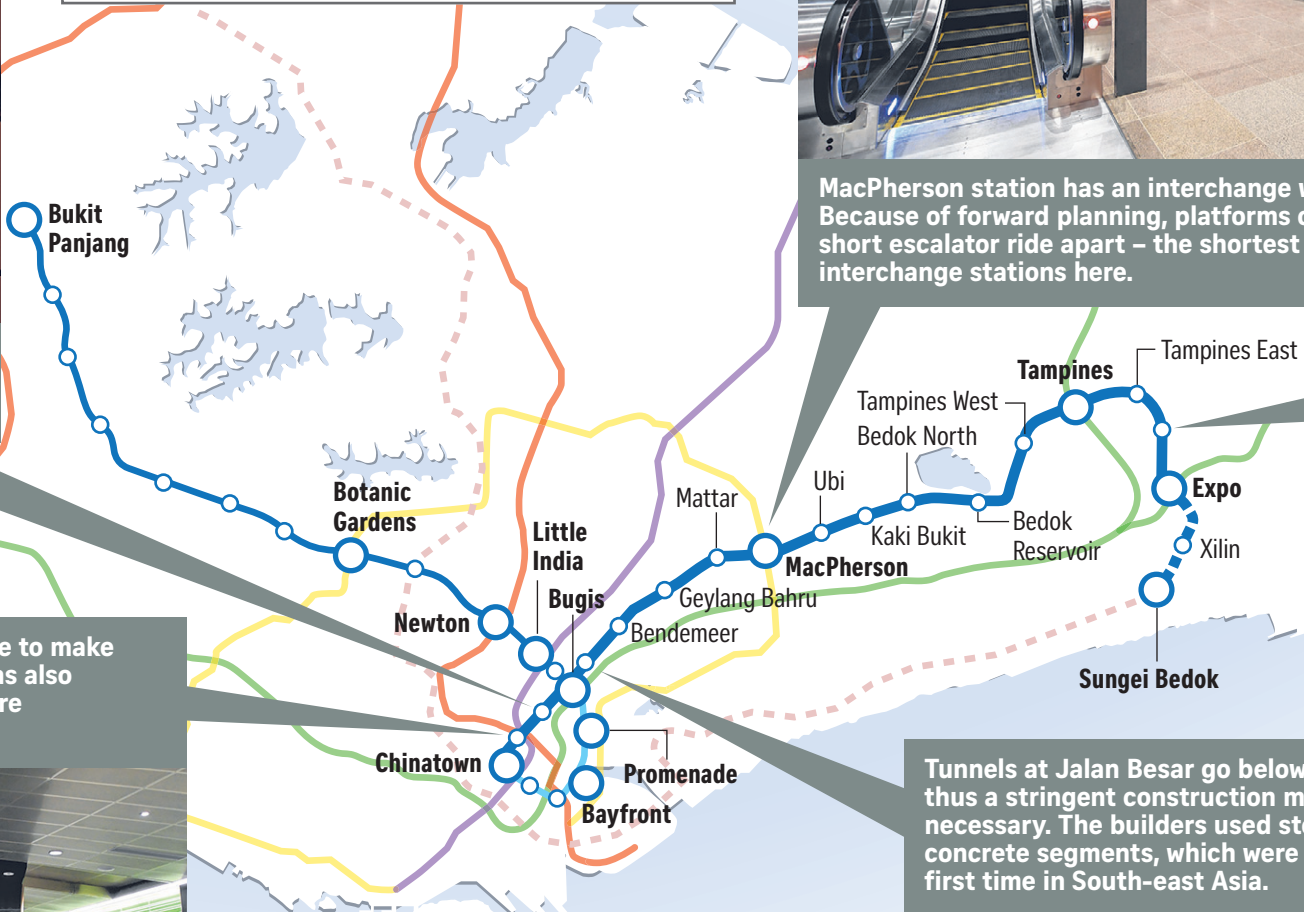
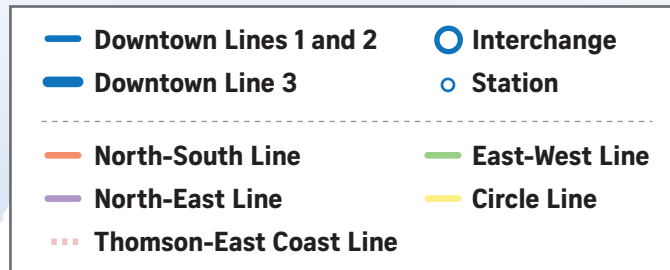


# Downtown, in style

At 21km long and serving 16 stations, the Downtown Line 3 (DTL3) is the longest leg of the three-stage 42km Downtown Line project. When DTL3 opens on Oct 21, the Downtown Line will become Singapore's longest driverless rail line.



Bencoolen station is the deepest MRT station in Singapore, at 43m below ground. Commuters are served by five escalators instead of one or two long ones because of space constraints.

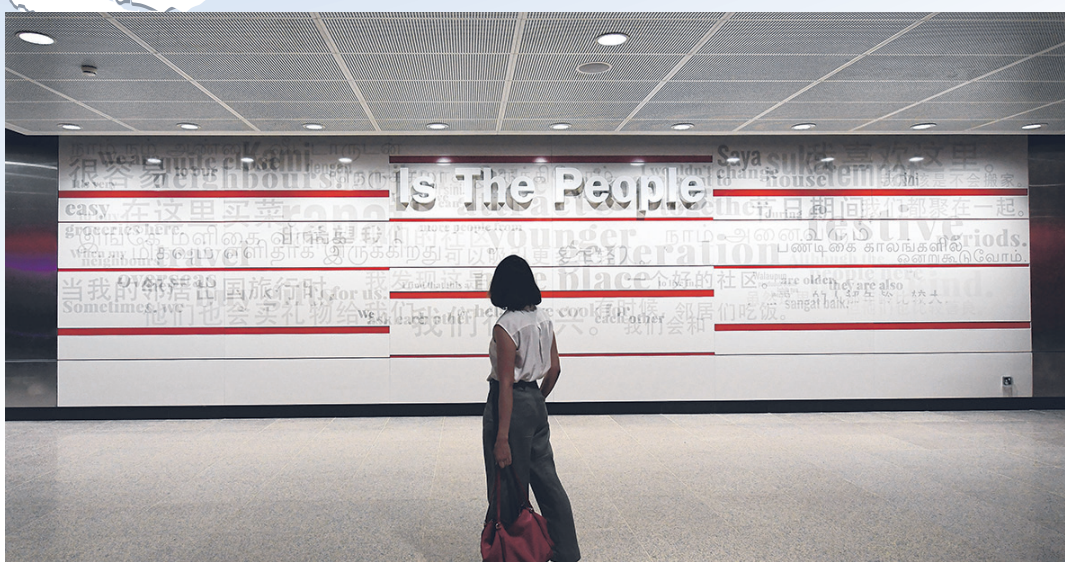


MacPherson station has an interchange with the Circle Line. Because of forward planning, platforms of the lines are but a short escalator ride apart – the shortest link among all interchange stations here.

At 205m end to end, Upper Changi station is the longest station on DTL3. It serves the Singapore University of Technology and Design.

Waterways were moved for DTL3. The Singapore River was diverted twice to make way for tunnels linking Fort Canning and Bencoolen stations. A canal was also diverted for the Bedok Reservoir station to be built. Both waterways were reinstated to their original courses after construction.

Tunnels at Jalan Besar go below pre-war houses, thus a stringent construction method was necessary. The builders used steel-fibre reinforced concrete segments, which were employed for the first time in South-east Asia.



A visitor to MacPherson MRT station taking in the artwork created by artist Aminah Mohd Sa'at.