



Haryana approves final DPR for Metro Expansion Project

Why In News?

- The Cabinet, which met under the chairmanship of Haryana Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar on October 19, 2022, approved the final **Detailed Project Report (DPR) of Dwarka Metro Rail Connectivity Project to provide better connectivity between Rezagla Chowk, Gurugram to Sector 21 and Dwarka.**

Key Point

- According to the DPR, the spur or metro extension connecting Rezagala Chowk and Dwarka Sector 21 station in Palam Vihar will be 8.40 km long, of which 4 km will be from Palam Vihar to Sector 111 in Gurugram and the remaining 4.40 km from Sector 111 to Sector 21 Dwarka. There will be 7 stations in this entire route.
- This Mass Rapid Transport System (MRTS) project will connect the maximum part of Gurugram city with Delhi and other surrounding areas. It will interchange with Palam Vihar station of Gurugram Metro corridor, interchange with IECC station of Airport Express Metro corridor and interchange with Sector 21 Dwarka station of DMRC Blue Line and Airport Express Metro corridor. The MRTS will also have an interchange with dwarka expressway in Sector 110. These linkages will enhance the efficiency of the transport system in the National Capital Region (NCR).
- This will also provide smooth transport facility to passengers travelling to Delhi International Airport and check-in facility at Sector 21, Dwarka Metro station.
- The introduction of MRTS will lead to significant social benefits due to reduction in number of buses, IPT, use of private vehicles, reduction in air pollution and speed of road based vehicles and consequently reduction in fuel consumption, vehicle operation cost and travel time of passengers. This will reduce accidents, pollution and cost of road maintenance will prove to be other benefits for the society in general.
- The Cabinet also approved the gross project cost of Rs.1541 crore along with the state government's share. It also approved to nominate Administrative Secretary, Town and Country Planning Department as nodal officer for signing contracts and other related documents for implementation of these projects.

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