## Cyber City Gurugram will now have its own Metro Train

## Why In News?

 At the 50<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Board of Directors of Haryana Mass Rapid Transport Corporation Limited (HMRTC) held in Chandigarh on November 18, 2022, Haryana Chief Secretary Sanjeev Kaushal informed that Gurugram, the cyber city of the state, will now have its own metro train.

## **Key Points**

- The Chief Secretary said that for the metro train, the Public Investment Board (PIB) of the Central Government has approved 28.5 km long metro connectivity between HUDA City Center and Cyber City in Gurugram. It will cover the entire Gurugram city.
- The Chief Secretary said that this metro rail will provide efficient and environment-friendly transport system especially to the people living in Gurugram and its surrounding areas. This will greatly help students, women, working class and office going persons in and around Gurugram.
- He said that connectivity from Rezangla Chowk to Sector-21 Dwarka in Gurugram has already been approved by Chief Minister Manohar Lal and after that it is also being sent to the Government of India for approval.
- This metro rail will also provide seamless connectivity from Gurugram to Delhi's IGI Airport.
- It is worth mentioning that Gurugram metro has done its excellent performance in this financial year compared to last year in the direction of revenue. As compared to last year's income of Rs 3.84 crore, the income till October 2022 has been Rs 21.6 crore. Income from hire and non-fare revenue through commercial activities has also increased along with an increase in the number of passengers with an increased percentage of 230 percent in financial performance.
- He said that the number of passengers in this metro rail has increased from 8500 per day to 40,000 per day. With these efforts, for the first time, Rapid Rail Metro Gurugram, which was a lossmaking institution, is going to come in 'operational profit'.
- Gurugram HMRTC is also undertaking an exercise to provide down charging and parking facilities in its metro station areas which will help in last mile connectivity. Efforts are being made to provide last mile connectivity from metro stations to increase the number of passengers and convenience of the public.

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