



# Chief Minister Inaugurated Two Important Projects worth 32 Crores in Gurugram

## Why in News?

On 7 April 2023, Haryana Chief Minister Manohar Lal inaugurated two important projects namely Basai Chowk to Dwarka Expressway Railway Over Bridge (ROB) and the rejuvenation & beautification of Sikandarpur water body in Gurugram district completed at Rs 32 crore.

## Key Points

- With the realization of these projects on the ground, the infrastructural system has been expanded in the Gurugram district.
- Speaking on the occasion, the Chief Minister said that the newly constructed Railway Over Bridge at Basai would provide better connectivity to the people living in the Hero-Honda Chowk to Dwarka Expressway and the surrounding sectors in the coming times, as well as it will the traffic pressure on the old ROB on Gurugram-Jhajjar road.
- The four-lane ROB, part of the project connecting Umang Bhardwaj Chowk to Northern Peripheral Road (NPR) in Gurgaon at a cost of about Rs 114 crore, is 910 meters long and was constructed at Rs 23 crore.
- Even before this, the Chief Minister had also inaugurated an 820-meter length and six-lane flyover and foot-over-bridge at Basai Chowk in November last year under this project.
- The Chief Minister also inaugurated the project related to the rejuvenation and beautification of the water body developed in a 90 acres area near Sikandarpur. To restore this water body area, an MoU was signed between GMDA and NGO IM Gurgaon in April 2019.
- Rejuvenation of this water body costs Rs 9.1 crores, thereby promoting forest cover and reviving the old water body as part of the comprehensive green strategy in the cities.
- Many private organizations provided financial help from CSR funds to make this project a reality.
- The main objective of the eco-restoration of Sikandarpur reservoir and watershed area spread over 90 acres is to provide a clean and green environment to the residents of Gurgaon and to increase the urban green cover of the city through the plantation of indigenous species in the area.
- Notably, the Sikandarpur water body has been revived and restored to its natural beauty. The work involved clearing the surrounding encroachments, among other initiatives, removing the garbage and debris accumulated in the water body and the flow of sewage into the water body was stopped.
- The plastic waste already present in this water body was segregated with the help of the Municipal Corporation of Gurugram (MCG) and it was ensured that the waste is disposed of responsibly in the nearby landfill. In addition, pipelines were laid to carry rainwater to nearby residential areas.
- The revival of this water body has also reduced the risk of waterlogging in the area during the monsoon season. Along with this, fencing of the area, removal of debris, construction of natural trails and footpaths, and extensive plantation with local species of flora have also been done under Sikandarpur Eco-Restoration Project.

