## India's first underwater metro route

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<u>In news</u>— Recently, Kolkata has made history with India's first underwater metro line completing its inaugural test run in the city.

About underwater metro route-

- The Kolkata Underwater Metro line is a part of the East-West Metro line connecting the Sealdah(Kolkata) and Howrah stations.
- The underwater tunnel through which the trains will pass is located at a depth of more than 30 metres.
- The river tunnel is constructed underneath Hooghly River.
- Once the project is completed, Howrah will be the country's deepest Metro station at more than 30 metres below surface.
- There will be 12 metro stations along the East-West corridor route.
- After the CESC Tunnel in 1931, this is the second underwater river tunnel of Hooghly River.
- Besides, It is the biggest underwater river tunnel of South Asia and as well as India, which is made for metro rail service.

<u>Note:</u> In 1984, Kolkata became the first city in the country to get metro railway and now it has achieved another milestone.