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Title: Regarding East-West Metro Rail project in Howrah Parliamentary Constituency, West Bengal- Laid

SHRI PRASUN BANERJEE (HOWRAH): I want to draw the attention of Hon'ble Railway Minister towards the fact that East-West Metro Rail project was started on April 2009 from Howrah Maidan within my Constituency to Salt Lakes Sector V in West Bengal. From its commencement lots of water flowed through river Hooghly. The target date of part opening of this project was fixed many times earlier, but it is yet to be opened. Earlier the proposed East- West Metro was targeted to start from Howrah Maidan in my constituency.

Howrah Maidan is the heart of Howrah City surrounded by District Collector office, District Court, District Hospital, Municipal Corporation, a numbers of Banks, Schools, Colleges and other commercial buildings. Lakhs of people daily use this place for its advantageous position of being well connected with the rest of the country as well as Capital Kolkata.

Construction of Howrah Maidan Metro Station was started a decade ago. However, it is yet to be completed.

I urge the Government for the expeditious completion of the project.