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Vi Successfully Completes its Network Deployment to Provide Seamless Connectivity across **Kolkata's** Underwater Metro Rail Service

- Sets-up network infrastructure underground to ensure smooth connectivity
- Will enable commuters to browse, download, stream, and chat on Vi's high-speed network

Today marks a significant day for the citizens of Kolkata as Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi Ji inaugurated India's landmark infrastructure project—India's first-ever underwater metro rail service. As the city gears up to use this newly constructed metro route, Vi, a leading telecom operator, announced the successful completion of its network deployment across the entire underground East-West Metro corridor route. With this, Vi customers traveling via the underwater metro rail service will experience uninterrupted connectivity across the entire 16.6 kilometer route of the Green Line metro.

To ensure seamless network connectivity for travelers commuting from Howrah Maidan to Esplanade, Vi has deployed cutting-edge network infrastructure across all 17 stations on the Green Line route, including a 10.8 kilometer stretch consisting of 6 underground stations (*Phool Bagan, Sealdah, Esplanade, Mahakaran, Howrah Station, Howrah Maidan*) and 11 ground / elevated stations (*Teghoria, Raghunathpur, Baguiati, Dum Dum Park, Kestopur, Salt Lake Sector V, Karunamoyee, Central Park, City Centre, Bengal Chemical, and Salt Lake Stadium*).

Out of these 11 elevated stations, 6 stations namely Salt Lake Sector V, Karunamoyee, Central Park, City Centre, Bengal Chemical and Salt Lake Stadium are accessible to public and other 5 stations will also be opened in due course. However, Vi has ensured complete network infrastructure deployment across all the stations.

The major factor that differentiates the East-West metro corridor is the tunnel, which is located 13 meters below the Hooghly riverbed and 33 meters below the surface level. To enable its customers to experience a superior network, Vi has deployed IBS (in-building solutions) inside the tunnel under the river as well as the underground metro tunnel.

Commenting on this initiative, Naveen Singhvi, Cluster Business Head - East, Vodafone Idea, said, "The inauguration of this East-West Metro corridor is a long-cherished dream for the citizens of Kolkata & Howrah. As a leading telecom operator, we are delighted to share that our network deployment across this underwater rail route will offer an uninterrupted, seamless, and superior network experience to our Vi customers. This initiative is a testament to Vi's commitment to providing a delightful experience to our customers for a better tomorrow."

Vi customers can freely stay connected with their loved ones, access important information, and enjoy uninterrupted entertainment throughout their journey on the Green Line route.

About Vodafone Idea Limited

Vodafone Idea Limited is an Aditya Birla Group and Vodafone Group partnership. It is amongst India's leading telecom service provider. The company provides pan India Voice and Data services across 2G, 3G and 4G platforms. Company holds large spectrum portfolio including mid band 5G spectrum in 17 circles and mmWave 5G spectrum in 16 circles. To support the growing demand for data and voice, the company is committed to deliver delightful customer experiences and contribute towards creating a truly 'Digital India' by enabling millions of citizens to connect and build a better tomorrow. The company is developing infrastructure to introduce newer and smarter technologies, making both retail and enterprise customers future ready with innovative offerings, conveniently accessible through an ecosystem of digital channels as well as extensive on-ground presence. The company's equity share are listed on National Stock Exchange (NSE) and the BSE in India.

The company offers products and services to its customers in India under the TM Brand name "Vi".

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