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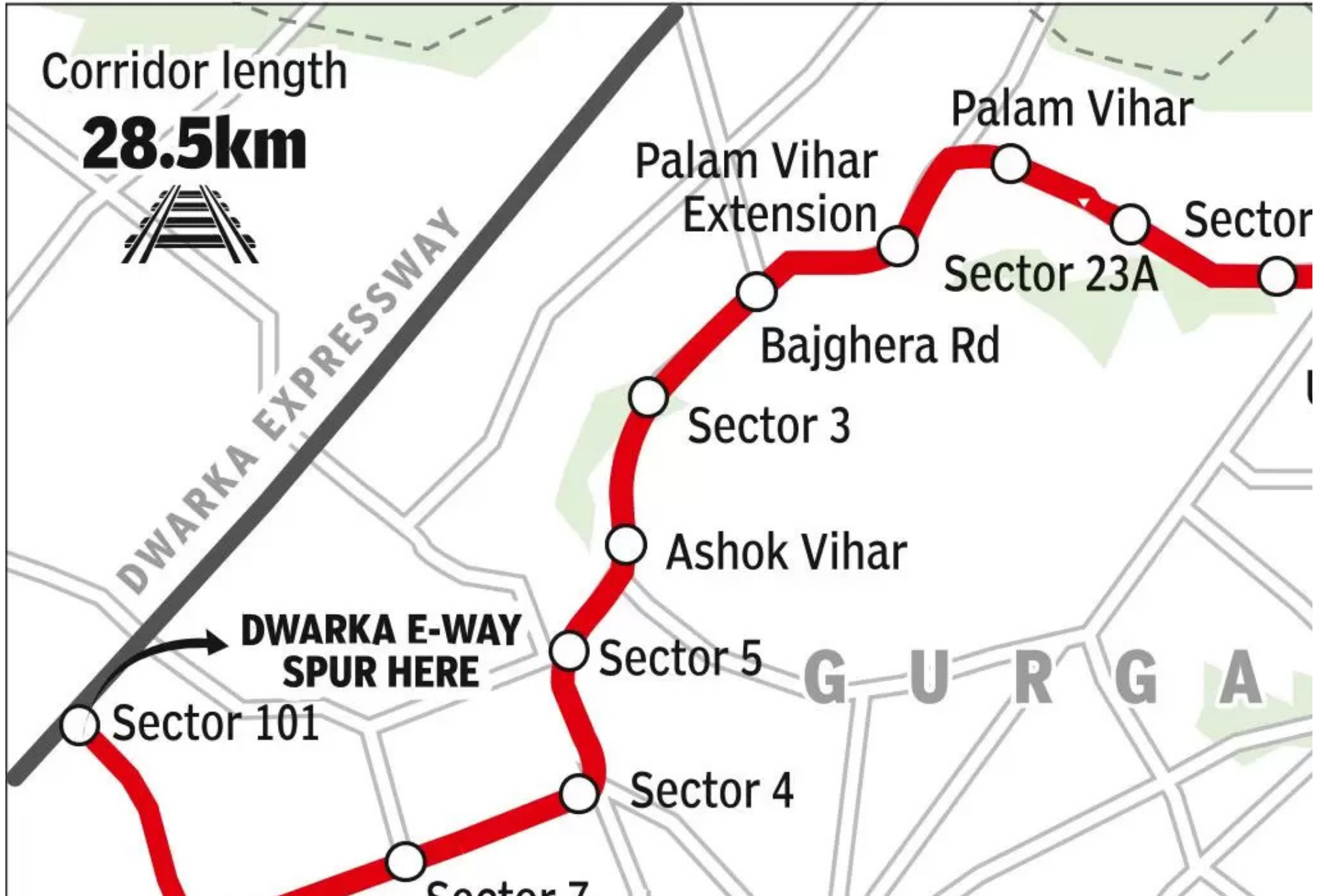
# 10cm gap: Rapid & new metro lines can't be merged, so interchange stn proposed

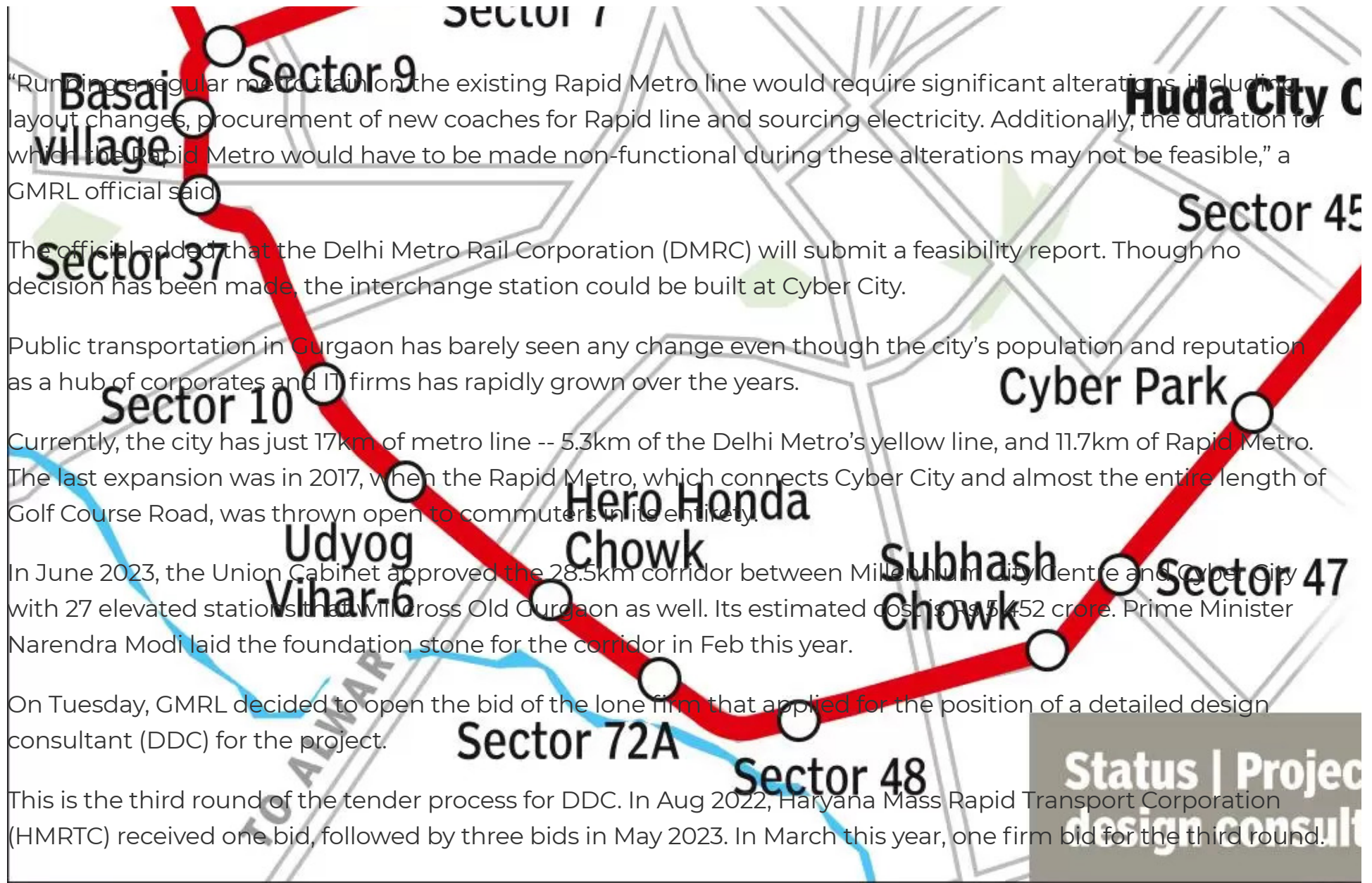
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Gurgaon: The Gurugram Metro Rail Limited (GMRL) is considering building an interchange station, possibly at Cyber City – all because of a 0.1-metre (or 10cm) difference in the width of a regular metro coach and a Rapid Metro coach. The interchange station, officials said on Tuesday, is meant to connect the proposed Huda City Centre-Cyber City corridor with the Rapid Metro line in the city.

Had the technicalities matched, authorities could have simply extended the Rapid Metro line and allowed trains to run on the same tracks. Officials said they recognised some challenges in being able to use the Rapid Metro line infrastructure. For instance, the coach of a train on the Rapid Metro line is 2.8 metres wide, and that on a regular metro line is 2.9m.

# PROJECT APPROVED BY CENTRE





Once the bid is open, GMRL will scrutinise if it is within budget for the contract to be awarded. The design cost is estimated at Rs 17.7 crore and it is expected to be completed in 11 months. “The board has decided to open the financial bid of the lone bidder soon,” GMRL managing director Chander Shekhar Khare said. The DDC will be

responsible for providing a comprehensive design for the proposed metro corridor, including the structure of viaducts, foot overbridges, culverts and layout plans for stations.