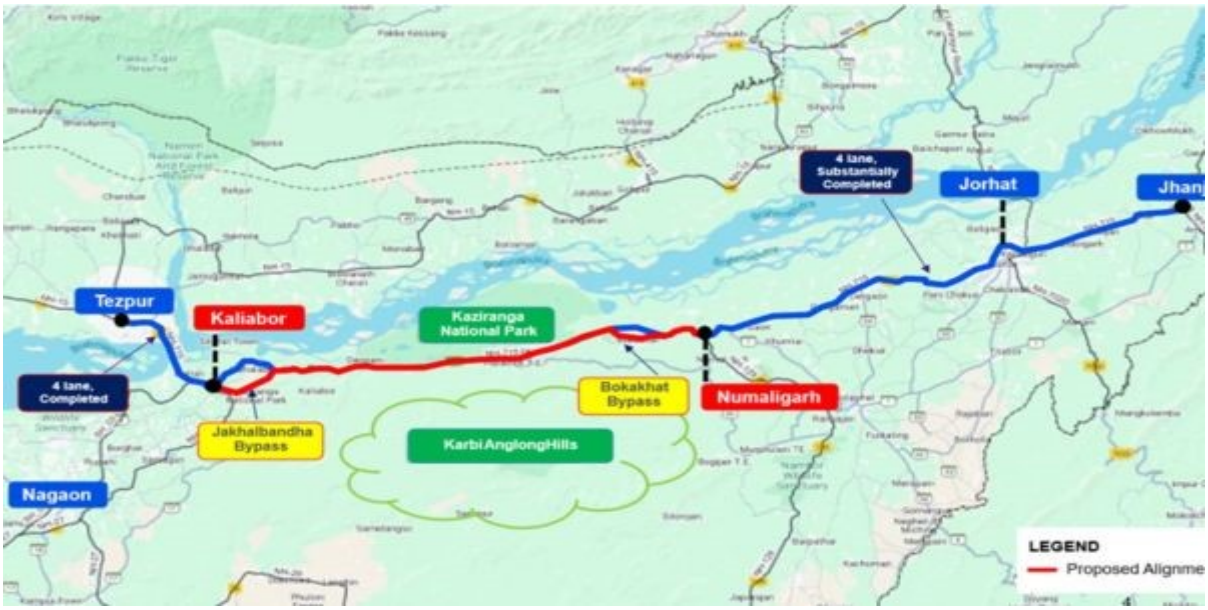
Kaziranga Elevated Corridor Project

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Why in News?

Recently, the Prime Minister performed the Bhoomi Pujan of the Kaziranga Elevated Corridor Project in Assam.

- **Aim –** To improve regional connectivity while ensuring protection of Kaziranga's rich biodiversity.
- **Location –** The corridor connects Kaziranga National Park with the Karbi Anglong Hills wildlife movement route in Assam.
- It passes through Nagaon, Karbi Anglong and Golaghat districts.
- It runs through and along the southern boundary of Kaziranga National Park.
- **National Highway** -_Kaliabor–Numaligarh section of NH-715 in Assam.
- **Approved by –** Approved by the ***Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA)*** on 1 October 2025.
- **Mode –** Implemented under *Engineering, Procurement and Construction (EPC) mode.*
- **Developments –** The Kaziranga Elevated Corridor consists of
  - 35 km Elevated Wildlife Corridor.
  - 21 km greenfield bypasses.
  - 30 km widening of the existing highway *from two to four lanes.*



- **Objectives –** It ensures the uninterrupted movement of wildlife during floods.
- Reduce human–wildlife conflict and animal deaths on NH-715.
- Decongest Jakhalabandha (Nagaon) and Bokakhat (Golaghat) towns.
- Improve road safety, reduce travel time and accident rates.
- Facilitate growing passenger and freight traffic. Improve connectivity between Upper Assam and Arunachal Pradesh.
- **Ecological Significance -** Protects a UNESCO World Heritage Site
- Supports India’s flagship conservation efforts like Project Rhino
- Aligns with principles of sustainable development and eco-sensitive infrastructure.

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