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Essel Group bags rail project under PPP annuity mode

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Essel Infraprojects Ltd (EIL), an enterprise of Essel Group, has bagged India's first railway project under annuity mode for ₹1,706 crores on the Eastern Freight Corridor connecting Howrah and Chennai main line. EIL president (business development) Kamal Maheshwari said, "We are proud to win India's first private project in railways under the PPP Annuity Mode. This is an important milestone to achieve the goal of our commitment towards 'Nation Building' and connecting India's most important region under Eastern Freight Corridor." He added, "We will soon enter into high-speed transport networks, including airports, Metros and express highways." Essel Infra has also emerged as the winner piping ICRON International, an Indian Railways infrastructure arm.

The project will undertake complete major and minor bridges, rail overbridge, rail underbridge, foot overbridge, platform shelters, water supply and waste disposal system, drainage and bank protection.

Entire design, drawing, measurements, supervision and quality checks would be undertaken in the project.

Safety at work site signaling and telecommunication works (indoor/outdoor), railway electrification and general electrification would come under the purview of the project.