



# CHAPTER-1 OUR COUNTRY - INDIA

A. Superlatives in India



part-2

List of largest, biggest, longest : All Superlatives of India ...

# 11. THE LONGEST CANAL: INDIRA GANDHI CANAL OR RAJASTHAN CANAL.



The Indira Gandhi Canal (originally: Rajasthan canal) is the longest canal of India. It starts from the Harike barrage at Harike, a few kilometers below the confluence of the Satluj and Beas rivers in the Indian state of Punjab and terminates in irrigation facilities in the Thar desert in the north west of Rajasthan state. Previously known as the Rajasthan Canal, it was renamed the Indira Gandhi canal. (runs through Punjab, Haryana, Rajasthan)



## 12. THE LONGEST RAILWAY PLATFORM: GORAKHPUR, UP



With the inauguration of the remodeled yard on 6 October 2013, Gorakhpur has a platform measuring 1,366.33 meters (4,482.7 ft.) with ramp and 1,355.40 meters (4,446.9 ft.) without it. At present, Gorakhpur has the world's longest railway platform, measuring 1,366m.

Zone(s): North Eastern Railway zone

**Station code: GKP**





# 13.THE LONGEST PASSENGER TRAIN ROUTE: DIBRUGARH TO KANYAKUMARI ( VIVEK EXPRESS )



India's longest train journey begins at Dibrugarh in Assam, and ends at the country's southernmost point — Kanyakumari, in Tamil Nadu. Along the way, the Dibrugarh-Kanyakumari Vivek Express covers a distance of 4,286 km; a five-day journey that sees the passengers traverse through nine Indian states.



## 14. THE HIGHEST LAKE: CHOLAMU LAKE (NORTH SIKKIM)



Positioned at an elevation of 5330 meters, Cholamu Lake is the highest lake in India. The lake flows in the North Sikkim district and the Chinese Border is 4 kilometers away from it. The water of this beautiful lake is crystal-clear and flows on the plateau that extends from Sikkim to Tibet.







## 15. THE LARGEST SALINE WATER LAKE: SAMBHAR LAKE, RAJASTHAN

Sambhar lake in Rajasthan is the largest salt water lake in India. This saline wetland is elliptical in shape with length of 35.5 km and breadth varying between 3 km and 11 km. It is located in the districts of Nagaur and Jaipur and it also borders the Ajmer district.



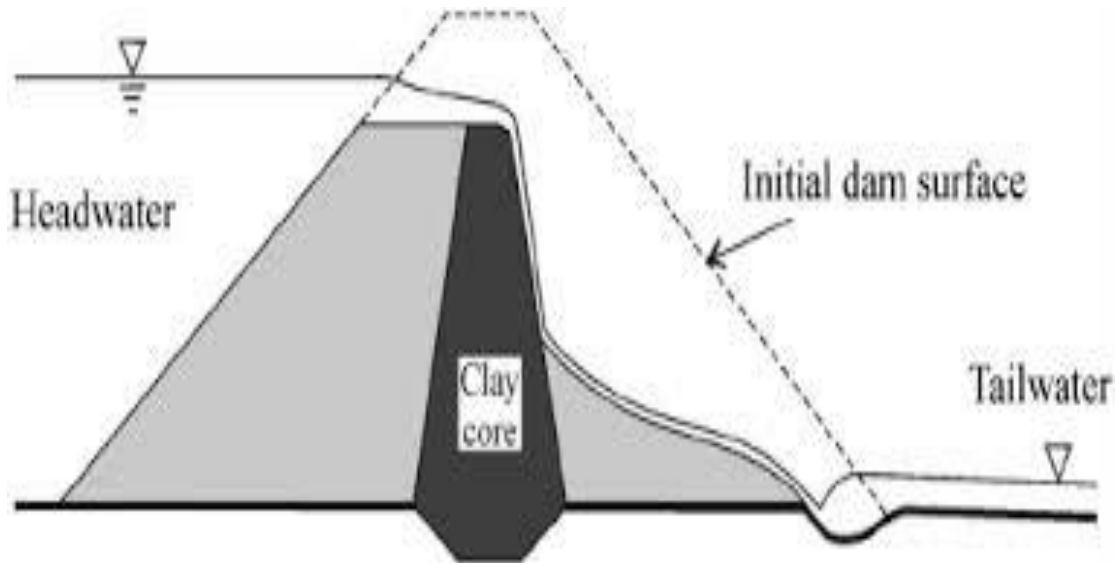


## 16. THE LONGEST DAM: HIRAKUD DAM (ORISSA)

Hirakud Dam is built across the Mahanadi River, about 15 kilometres (9 mi) from Sambalpur in the state of Odisha in India.

TYPE OF DAM – COMPOSITE DAM  
AND RESERVOIR

Composite dams are a combination of concrete and embankment dams.







# 17. THE HIGHEST ROAD: 86 KM LONG ROAD THAT CONNECTS CHISUMLE AND DEMCHOK VILLAGES IN LADAKH

Being close to Hanle, the 86-km-long strategic road through Umling La Top connects Chisumle and Demchok villages, located 230km from Leh.



These villages are very close to the India-China border in eastern sector







# 18. THE LARGEST ARTIFICIAL LAKE: GOVIND SAGAR (BHAKHRA NANGAL)

Gobind Sagar Lake is a Reservoir situated in Una and Bilaspur districts of Himachal Pradesh. It is formed by the Bhakra Dam.

The Reservoir is on the River Sutlej and is named in honor of Guru Gobind Singh, the tenth Sikh guru.



# 19. THE HIGHEST AIRPORT: LEH AIRPORT (LADAKH)



Kushok Bakula  
Rimpoochee Airport  
(IATA: IXL, ICAO:  
VILH) is  
an airport in Leh,  
the capital  
of Ladakh, India. It  
is the  
23rd highest comme  
rcial airport in the  
world at 3,256 m  
(10,682 ft) above  
mean sea level.







## 20. THE LARGEST PLANETARIUM : BIRLA PLANETARIUM ( KOLKATA )

The Birla Planetarium (officially M. P. Birla Planetarium) in Kolkata, West Bengal, India, is a single-storeyed circular structure designed in the typical Indian style, whose architecture is loosely styled on the Buddhist Stupa at Sanchi. Situated at [Chowringhee](#) Road adjacent to the Victoria Memorial, St. Paul's Cathedral and the Maidan in Central Kolkata, it is the largest planetarium in Asia and the second largest planetarium in the world. There are two other Birla Planetariums in India: B.M. Birla Planetarium in Chennai and the Birla Planetarium in Hyderabad.





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