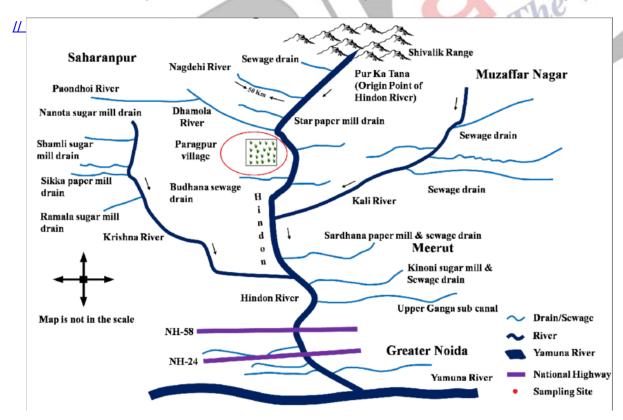


Pollution in Hindon River

Source: DTE

The **Hindon River**, a rain-fed **Yamuna tributary**, has turned into a drain of **untreated waste**, symbolising **environmental degradation** and endangering communities along its industrial belt in Western Uttar Pradesh.

- The Hindon River originates from the <u>lower Shivalik ranges</u> in the Saharanpur District of Uttar Pradesh and flows through the industrial belt of Western Uttar Pradesh, covering 400 km before joining the <u>Yamuna</u> in Noida.
- The river's major tributaries include: Kali (West) River and Krishni River.
- Historically, the Hindon River supported <u>agriculture</u> and <u>fisheries</u> in Western Uttar Pradesh.
 However <u>industrialization</u> and <u>urbanization</u> have destroyed its ecological balance.
- In 2015, the <u>Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB)</u> declared the Hindon River a "<u>dead river</u>," citing extreme pollution levels and its unfitness for bathing in several sections.
 - A dead river is a water body that has **lost its ability to support aquatic life** and ecosystem functions due to extreme pollution or environmental degradation.



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