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Road Ministry looks to reboot build-operate-transfer rules
The Economic Times,
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Synopsis

The Ministry of Road Transport and Highways is revisiting its Build-Operate-Transfer (BOT) model concession agreement due to the limited success of changes implemented in March 2024. An inter-ministerial committee will convene to explore policy interventions aimed at attracting

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private sector investment in road projects. Proposals under consideration include revenue loss protection, access to long-term debts and empowering independent engineers.

The ministry of road transport and highways will soon come up with a revamped model concession agreement for build-operate-transfer (BOT) projects after sweeping changes made in March 2024 failed to draw much traction.

An inter-ministerial committee, composed of representatives from the ministries of road transport and highways (MoRTH), finance, legal affairs, and the NITI Aayog will meet on Thursday to deliberate on policy interventions needed to revive private sector investment in road projects under BOT mode, a senior government official told ET.

"There is a second level of relook on the model concession agreements for BOT projects. We plan to re-do the concession agreement to make it more investor friendly and attractive for private players to come forward and take up infrastructure creation," the official added.



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Road ministry undertakes second review of BOT | Plans to redo model concession agreement to attract investment

INTER-MINISTERIAL PANEL TO FIRM UP INVESTOR-FRIENDLY AMENDMENTS

Focus is to enhance private sector participation in NHs

Aims is to bid out **53 BOT projects** worth **₹2.1 lakh cr**

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Sources told ET that some of the proposals under consideration include protection to concessionaires against revenue loss due to change in law, access to long-term debts, empowering independent engineers to take binding decisions and enabling concessionaires to buybacks for reduced traffic due to competing roads, among others.

Under the build-operate-transfer (BOT) mode of road projects, a private company finances, builds, and operates a road for a set period, after which ownership is transferred to the government. This model allows governments to develop infrastructure without immediate large capital outlays and leverages private sector expertise and efficiency.

This is the only way given that the government capex on infrastructure creation has been at an all-time high and is expected to stabilise over time, while the country would continue to need to develop national highways fast for another 15 years to reach the level of saturation.

The government had last year set a target of bidding out 53 BOT (toll) projects for a length of 5200 km worth ₹2.1 lakh crore. It has identified 15 projects totalling 937 km amounting to over ₹44,000 crore to bid out under BOT.

In March 2024, the ministry amended the model concession agreement (MCA) for capacity augmentation on BOT(Toll) (four to six lane) to reduce litigation and to attract more bids in BOT(Toll) projects.

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Will release funds for rural roads as soon as Bihar govt sends survey report: Union minister
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July 10, 2025

Synopsis

Union Minister Kamlesh Paswan assured Bihar of central funds for rural road construction under PMGSY, pending the state's survey proposal for 45,000 km of roads worth ₹76,000 crore. Highlighting Jammu and Kashmir as the first to submit its report, Paswan urged Bihar to expedite theirs.

Union minister Kamlesh Paswan on Wednesday said the Centre would release funds for the construction of rural roads in Bihar as soon as the state government submit its proposal after carrying out a survey in this regard.

The survey for the construction of 45,000 km of rural roads under the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) worth Rs 76,000 crore is currently underway.

"Immediately after receiving the survey report along with the proposal from the state, the Centre will release funds for the construction of rural roads," said Paswan, the MoS for rural development.

"The Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir is the first one to send its survey report, and we have released the funds. The Bihar government should send the report at the earliest. We will release the funds as and when they send it," he added.

Paswan held a meeting with the state's Rural Development Minister Shrawan Kumar and Rural Works Minister Ashok Choudhary.

The two ministers and officers of their departments gave a host of suggestions, besides raising certain demands regarding MGNREGA, PMGSY and roads.

"We will seriously consider their demands and try to fulfil them as soon as possible," Paswan said.

He claimed the NDA government at the Centre has done unprecedented work over the last 11 years.

"PM Modi has visited Bihar more than 51 times," he said, asserting that the state's future is bright.

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Noida's Second Expressway Plan Gains Momentum: Gadkari Says No Shortage Of Funds, Will Seriously Consider Proposal

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Plans for a second expressway in Noida to ease congestion on the busy Noida-Greater Noida corridor have gained fresh momentum, with Union Minister for Road Transport and Highways, Nitin Gadkari, indicating the Centre's willingness to back the project financially, reported Times of India.

Speaking at the 'Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam' tree plantation event near Noida International Airport in Jewar on Tuesday (8 July), Gadkari said the National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) would seriously consider the proposal put forth by the Noida Authority and Gautam Budh Nagar MP Mahesh Sharma for a new 30 km bypass along the Yamuna embankment.

"We have no shortage of funds," Gadkari assured, adding that the ministry is already executing infrastructure projects worth Rs 1.2 lakh crore in the Delhi-NCR region.

Noida's push for a parallel expressway comes amid mounting traffic pressures on the existing 25 km Noida Expressway, which handles nearly five lakh vehicles daily.

The proposed bypass aims to provide an alternative route from Delhi to the upcoming Noida International Airport, helping travellers avoid the congested urban stretch.

Earlier this year, the Noida Authority granted in-principle approval for the project.

NHAI initially backed out of the project, citing procedural delays in declaring the Yamuna Pushta Road a national highway. However, Noida authority reportedly remains keen on NHAI building the project.

A formal commitment from the highway authority is awaited.

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Andhra CM Naidu Sets Strict Three-Year Deadline For Amaravati Projects, Says Delays Beyond That Won't Be Acceptable

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Andhra Pradesh CM N Chandrababu Naidu on Tuesday (8 July) directed land allottees in Amaravati to complete construction within the stipulated timeline, adding that delays beyond that would not be tolerated, reported news agency PTI.

During a review of land allotments within the Capital Region Development Authority (CRDA) limits, Naidu stressed that the land allottees must begin construction.

“Those who have taken land must begin construction as committed. You must finish within two-and-a-half to three years. Not a day beyond the specified deadline will be acceptable,” Naidu was quoted as saying by PTI.

Around 72 institutions, including universities, hotels, central government offices, RBI, and banks, were allotted 948 acres of land in Amaravati.

Land was also allotted to schools, healthcare institutions, government offices, HUDCO, religious bodies, and IT park developers.

Naidu reviewed the construction status of the allottees and requested details on project plans and readiness.

Sixty-one institutions took part in the review meeting, several of them joining virtually.

The CM held detailed discussions with each institution about their construction timelines.

Emphasising the significance of the capital project, Naidu said institutions are not mere landholders but partners in Amaravati’s historic development.

He noted that institutions in Amaravati will benefit from strategic advantages by being part of the capital ecosystem.

Assuring cooperation, Naidu promised there would be no procedural delays and said a single-window system would fast-track approvals.

“If any official delay occurs, feel free to approach me directly,” he asserted.

Calling Amaravati a future financial hub with fintech at its core, Naidu invited suggestions to strengthen its role as an economic centre.

Some organisations requested additional land, including hospitality firms seeking up to 2.5 acres for convention centres.

Requests also included extra parking space and land for a postal training centre serving Andhra Pradesh and Telangana.

Institutions shared employment projections, detailing job opportunities they would create post-construction.

Further, they also presented timelines and campus plans, with BITS Pilani showcasing its architectural design.

Three institutions will begin work in July, 15 in two months, 13 in five months, and 17 in six months; 10 have already started and three have finished construction.

With a current land bank of 54,000 acres, the TDP-led NDA government aims to acquire another 40,000 acres to develop a megapolis integrating Mangalagiri, Vijayawada, Guntur, and Tadepalli with Amaravati.

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Tamil Nadu Greenlights Rs 7,434 Crore Infrastructure Projects Including Highways And Bridges

The ET infra,
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The Tamil Nadu government has sanctioned two major infrastructure initiatives totaling Rs 7,434 crore.

The Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Department has issued a Government Order (GO) approving the construction of 100 high-level bridges across the state at an estimated cost of Rs 505.56 crore, The New Indian Express reported.

These bridges are part of a broader proposal that initially identified 321 potential locations.

The final selection was made based on on-ground inspections, longstanding community demands, and responses received through the 'Ungal Thoguthiyil Muthalvar' scheme.

Priority was given to locations that would reduce travel distances and improve access to key economic centres and neighbouring habitations.

Further, the State Highways Department has allocated Rs 6,929 crore for the upgrade and expansion of 3,268.53 km of roads under various schemes.

Of this, Rs 2,091.65 crore has been set aside to widen 1,378.36 km of roads under 619 projects.

Additionally, Rs 1,646.5 crore will be utilised to convert 253.46 km of two-lane roads into four-lane highways under the Chief Minister Road Development Programme (CMRDP), covering 40 projects.

Another Rs 978 crore has been allocated to develop 19 bypass roads with a total length of 97.31 km.

The remainder of the funding will support road strengthening, development of industrial corridors, enhancement of district-level infrastructure, construction of river bridges, and road safety measures.

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