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India's Mega Infrastructure Push: PM Modi PM Modi Reviews Critical Infrastructure Projects Worth Over Rs 65,000-Crore At PRAGATI Meeting

Swarajya,
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Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Wednesday (24 September) chaired the 49th meeting of PRAGATI, the ICT-enabled multi-modal governance platform, during which he reviewed eight critical infrastructure projects with a combined investment of over Rs 65,000 crore.

The projects span 15 States and Union Territories, covering key sectors such as Mines, Railways, Water Resources, Industrial Corridors, and Power.

Recognised as vital drivers of economic growth and public welfare, the projects were examined with a strong emphasis on timely execution, inter-agency coordination, and the swift removal of bottlenecks.

PM Modi reiterated that delays in project implementation impose a “double cost”—leading not only to cost overruns but also depriving citizens of essential services and infrastructure.

He urged both Central and State officials to adopt a results-driven approach to ensure that opportunities translate into improved ease of living for citizens and ease of doing business for enterprises.

The Prime Minister also called upon States and Union Territories to institutionalise their own mechanisms for regular review and monitoring of flagship projects.

He urged all States/UTs to place strong emphasis on reforms aimed at improving competitiveness, strengthening efficiency, and fostering innovation across sectors, and stressed that better preparedness through these reforms would enable us to swiftly seize emerging opportunities.

Launched in 2015, PRAGATI (Pro-Active Governance and Timely Implementation) brings together the Centre and States on one platform to fast-track approvals, resolve inter-departmental issues, and ensure time-bound delivery of large-scale projects.

Since its inception, the platform has been instrumental in accelerating critical projects that are central to India's infrastructure and development roadmap.

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Centre Fast-Tracks Indus Water Project, Targets Completion Before 2029 Polls: Report

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The Centre is fast-tracking a major Indus water project to meet northern states' demands and aims to complete it before the 2029 Lok Sabha elections, reported NDTV.

This follows India's suspension of the Indus Water Treaty with Pakistan after the 22 April Pahalgam terror attack.

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At a review meeting held last Friday, senior ministers were informed that work is already underway on a detailed project report for a 14-km tunnel designed to link the Indus and Beas rivers, both of which fall under the Indus system, NDTV reported, citing people familiar with the developments.

Construction major L&T has been assigned to prepare the detailed project report, which is expected to be completed by next year.

The meeting reportedly also reviewed progress on the proposed 113-km canal intended to carry Indus waters to northern states.

The tunnel is the project's most challenging part, requiring a detailed study of mountain rock conditions, and in areas with weaker formations, the tunnel will be lined with pipes.

Its construction will begin once the government receives the detailed project report (DPR).

To ensure both speed and safety, the use of tunnel boring machines and rock shield technology has been proposed.

The tunnel will also be integrated with the Ujh Multipurpose Project in Jammu and Kashmir's Kathua district, allowing water from the Ujh River—a tributary of the Ravi—to be diverted into the Beas Basin.

The tunnel will connect to the Ujh Multipurpose Project in Jammu and Kashmir, enabling water transfer from the Ujh River to the Beas Basin.

Once completed, the tunnel will connect the Ravi-Beas-Sutlej system with the Indus Basin, enabling India to fully utilize its share of water.

The construction will take around three to four years, with completion targeted for 2028, at a cost of around Rs 4,000–5,000 crore.

The tunnel will be built in separate sections.

The project is designed to expand irrigation in Rajasthan's arid regions by channeling water to the Indira Gandhi Canal.

It will also benefit Jammu and Kashmir, Haryana, Delhi, and Punjab through new canal links.

One of the proposed canals will connect the Chenab River to the Ravi-Beas-Sutlej system, integrating with existing networks so that water can flow directly into the Indira Gandhi Canal and reach areas like Sri Ganganagar in Rajasthan.

Beyond irrigation, the initiative aims to improve drinking water availability in Delhi, Punjab, Haryana, and Rajasthan.

It will also prevent surplus water from India's share under the Indus Waters Treaty from flowing into Pakistan—bolstering water security and reinforcing the government's stance that “water and blood can't flow together.”

In addition, the project is expected to strengthen 13 existing canal systems and help mitigate the effects of climate change and shifting rainfall patterns.

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Roads, Parks, Sports Facilities: Rs 1,000-Crore Push Cleared For Delhi's Rural Areas

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In its first meeting, the newly formed Delhi Rural Development Board approved 431 projects worth Rs 1,000 crore for the National Capital's villages.

Chief Minister Rekha Gupta chaired the meeting and emphasised the government's commitment to enhancing rural infrastructure, reported The Indian Express.

"Villages are not only symbols of tradition and culture but also the lifeline of Delhi. Strengthening basic infrastructure in rural areas and speeding up development work is a goal of our government," CM Gupta said, adding that funds will not be a constraint for village development.

These projects will upgrade roads, drains, ponds, community centres, parks, cremation grounds, and sports facilities across 30 Assembly constituencies and four Lok Sabha constituencies.

The initiatives will involve the Irrigation and Flood Control Department, the municipal corporation, and other agencies.

CM Gupta directed officials to complete all projects within the set time frame, stressing, "Our government is committed to giving rural residents the same basic facilities as those living in urban areas."

The funding will support constructing and renovating infrastructure such as drainage systems, chaupals, banquet halls, gyms, and libraries. The projects will also ensure improved access to drinking water and street lighting.

Officials highlighted that these developments will modernise rural life, bridging the gap between urban and village living standards in Delhi.

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Delhi Government Sets 8-Month Deadline To Finish Barapullah Phase-III Project: Report

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The Delhi government has set an eight-month deadline to complete the long-delayed Barapullah Phase-III project after securing the last pending tree-related clearance from the Supreme Court-appointed central empowered committee, reported The Times Of India.

According to government sources cited in the Tol report, PWD minister Parvesh Verma fixed the timeline during a recent high-level review.

The elevated corridor will link Mayur Vihar-I in east Delhi with AIIMS in south Delhi, integrating with the existing flyover near Sarai Kale Khan.

Officials expect it to ease east-west movement and reduce congestion on NH-24, DND Flyway, and Ring Road.

Work has already begun, with sites allocated for component fabrication and tenders issued for tree removal.

The felling and transplantation of trees will be done under the forest department's supervision, officials said.

Following committee directions, the PWD and forest department conducted a detailed tree re-survey.

Of 155 trees in the central forest division, 10 will be cut, 34 transplanted, and 111 retained with pruning.

In the south division, 75 will be felled, 53 moved, and 50 saved.

Launched in April 2015, the 3.5-km project was originally due in October 2017 but faced setbacks from land acquisition hurdles, clearance delays, floods, and poor interdepartmental coordination.

Officials said Verma has consistently pushed for progress since taking charge.

The corridor, designed with environmental safeguards, will use a pier-supported elevated structure and an extradosed bridge to reduce the number of piers in the Yamuna's active flow zone.

It will feature three lanes each way, cycle tracks, and eight loops—four each at Sarai Kale Khan and Mayur Vihar.

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From Nuclear Power To Vande Bharat Trains, PM Modi Launches Rs 1.22 Lakh Crore Projects In Rajasthan

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Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Thursday (25 September) inaugurated and laid the foundation stone for a host of central and state government projects worth over Rs 1,22,100 crore in Banswara.

Nuclear and Renewable Power Push

A key highlight was the Mahi Banswara Rajasthan Atomic Power Project, estimated at Rs 42,000 crore.

Developed by Anushakti Vidhyut Nigam Ltd (ASHVINI), it will feature four indigenous 700 MW pressurised heavy water reactors designed by NPCIL under the government's "fleet mode" initiative.

The Prime Minister also launched green energy projects worth Rs 19,210 crore, including solar plants in Phalodi, Jaisalmer, Jalore and Sikar, and the foundation stone of a solar park at Bikaner.

He additionally announced three power transmission projects worth Rs 13,180 crore under the Renewable Energy Zone scheme, enabling the transfer of 15.5 GW of renewable energy from Rajasthan to demand centres across India.

Farmers and Villages to Benefit

Under the PM-KUSUM scheme, feeder-level solarisation projects of 3,517 MW, worth Rs 16,050 crore, were rolled out across Rajasthan, Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh and Karnataka.

The Prime Minister also inaugurated a 220 KV substation in Barmer along with foundation stones for three more substations worth over Rs 490 crore.

Water, Roads and Connectivity

Water resource projects worth Rs 20,830 crore were launched, including the Isarda Dam, Dholpur Lift Project and Mor Sagar reservoir in Ajmer.

In addition, drinking water supply schemes worth Rs 5,880 crore across districts such as Banswara, Dungarpur, Udaipur and Ajmer were unveiled under AMRUT 2.0.

Road infrastructure received a boost with Rs 2,630 crore projects covering flyovers, a bridge on the Banas River and 116 Atal Pragati Path works.

Rail, Healthcare and Jobs

The Prime Minister flagged off three trains—Bikaner–Delhi Cantt Vande Bharat, Jodhpur–Delhi Cantt Vande Bharat and Udaipur City–Chandigarh Express.

He also inaugurated a 250 bed hospital in Bharatpur, an IT and e-governance centre in Jaipur, and sewerage projects in Makrana and Jhunjhunu.

Finally, Modi distributed more than 15,000 appointment letters for posts including junior assistants, engineers, teachers and animal attendants, underlining his government's twin focus on infrastructure and employment.

During the event, Prime Minister Modi also launched a sharp attack on the Congress, accusing it of neglecting the state for decades.

"Our government is healing the wounds caused by Congress's corruption. Rajasthan became a centre for paper leak under the Congress government. Jal Jeevan mission was also sacrificed for corruption. Crime against women was at its peak. Rapists were being protected. Crime and the illegal liquor business thrived in regions like Banswara, Dungarpur, and Pratapgarh. But when the BJP was given a chance, we strengthened the law and order... New projects are being launched....," ANI quoted him as saying.

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