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## Uttarakhand's Longest Bridge to be Built on River Ganga in Haridwar | Uttarakhand | 24 Feb 2022

### Why in News

- The Union Environment Ministry has approved the state's longest bridge to be built on the river Ganga.

### Key Points

- NHA engineer Kapil Joshi said that a 3.5 km long bridge (including approach) will be built on the river Ganga. This bridge will be built to connect Haridwar-Delhi highway with Najibabad-Haridwar. This bridge will be the longest bridge in the state.
- The bridge has been named Major Bridge. Leaving the approach, the length of the bridge will be 2.561 km. This bridge will be the longest vehicular movement in Uttarakhand.
- The Ring Road is to be prepared in two phases. The first phase of Ring Road will start from Bahadabad bypass and will end at Anjani Chowki NH 74 of Shyampur police station area. With this, vehicles of Haridwar-Delhi highway will be able to move directly for Najibabad-Haridwar highway. These will be constructed and allocated by NHA.
- IRCON International Limited, an undertaking of the Ministry of Railways, has been selected for the construction of a 15 km 300 meters long four lane in the first phase of the Ring Road. The budget for the first phase of Ring Road was Rs 1566 crore. The budget has now been cut to Rs 1100 crore.