

Supreme Court Notice on Collapsing Bridges

Why in News?

Recently, <u>The Supreme Court</u> has asked the Bihar government to respond to a <u>writ petition</u> that highlights the <u>recurring incidents of bridge collapses in the state</u>.

Key Points

- The <u>Chief Justice of India</u> issued notice on the petition filed for a high-level structural audit of bridges in Bihar along with demolition or retrofitting of weak constructions to save lives.
- The petition has requested the court to establish a policy or system for the real-time monitoring of bridges, similar to the mechanism developed by the Roads and Transport Ministry for the preservation of National Highways and Centrally Sponsored Schemes.
 - The focus of the policy should be on the "identification and implementation of realtime health monitoring of bridges using sensors".

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