



Purvanchal Expressway: UP

Why in News

Recently, the Prime Minister inaugurated the **Purvanchal Expressway** in Uttar Pradesh.

Key Points

▪ About:

- It starts from **Chandsarai village**, located near the existing Lucknow-Sultanpur Road (NH-731), in Lucknow district and it ends at **Haidaria village on National Highway 31** in Ghazipur, 18 km from the UP-Bihar border, in Ghazipur district.
- The expressway will connect with the existing Agra-Lucknow and Agra-Noida Yamuna expressways to form an **industrial corridor**, providing connectivity from the eastern to western borders of UP.

- An **industrial corridor** is basically a corridor consisting of multi-modal transport services that would pass through the states as main arteries.

- The districts falling on this **greenfield expressway** are Lucknow, Barabanki, Amethi, Sultanpur, Ayodhya, Ambedkar Nagar, Azamgarh, Mau and Ghazipur.

▪ Features of the Expressway:

- It will have **CNG stations, electric recharge stations for vehicles** and will be connected with the **defence corridor** through the Agra and Bundelkhand expressways.

▪ Expected Benefits:

- The **eastern region of the state would not only be connected to Lucknow** but also further to the National Capital through Agra-Lucknow and Yamuna Expressways.
- It is going to **give a boost to the economic development** of the eastern parts of Uttar Pradesh.
- The expressway will provide **better and quick access to bigger markets** for agri commodities and other products manufactured in the region.

▪ UP's New Network of Expressways:

- Besides Purvanchal, at least three more expressways, besides the **proposed defence corridor** and already operational Agra-Lucknow and Yamuna expressways, are in various stages of completion in UP.
- The **Uttar Pradesh Expressways Industrial Development Authority (UPEIDA)** has been given the responsibility of completing these projects.

- **UPEIDA has been set up** under the UP Industrial Area Development Act.

UP's new network of expressways



Industrial Corridor

▪ About:

- India is developing various Industrial Corridor Projects as part of the **National Industrial Corridor programme**.
- National Industrial Corridor Development Programme is **India's most ambitious infrastructure programme** aiming to develop new industrial cities as "Smart Cities" and converging next generation technologies across infrastructure sectors.

▪ Aim:

- It is **aimed at development of futuristic industrial cities in India** which can compete with the best manufacturing and investment destinations in the world.
- The same will **create employment opportunities and economic growth** leading to overall socio-economic development.

▪ Implementing Agency:

- The development of these eleven industrial corridor projects will be **implemented through the National Industrial Corridor Development and Implementation Trust (NICDIT)**.

▪ Industrial corridors **constitute world-class infrastructure**, such as:






- High-speed transportation network - rail and road
- Ports with state-of-the-art cargo handling equipment
- Modern airports
- Special economic regions/industrial areas
- Logistic parks/transshipment hubs
- Knowledge parks focused on catering to industrial needs
- Complementary infrastructure such as townships/real estate
- Other urban infrastructure along with enabling policy framework

National Industrial Corridor Programme

11 Industrial Corridors:

-  Delhi-Mumbai Industrial Corridor (DMIC)
-  Amritsar-Kolkata Industrial Corridor (AKIC)
-  Chennai-Bengaluru Industrial Corridor (CBIC)
-  Vizag-Chennai Industrial Corridor (VCIC)
-  East Coast Economic Corridor (ECEC)
-  Hyderabad-Nagpur Industrial Corridor (HNIC)
-  Hyderabad-Warangal Industrial Corridor (HWIC)
-  Hyderabad-Bengaluru Industrial Corridor (HBIC)
-  Bengaluru Mumbai Industrial Corridor (BMIC)
-  Extension of CBIC to Kochi via Coimbatore
-  Delhi-Nagpur Industrial Corridor (DNIC)



-  WDFC - Dadri-JNPT
-  EDFC - Sahnewal-Sonnagar - Dankuni
-  East Coast DFC - Vijayawada to Kharagpur
-  East West DFC - Bhusawal-Nagpur-Rajkharswan-Dankuni
Bhusawal-Nagpur-Rajkharswan-Andal
-  North South DFC - Vijayawada to Itarsi

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