



Resolution of Issues in NH Projects | Uttar Pradesh | 14 Aug 2024

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In an official statement, **Uttar Pradesh** Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath **assured the Centre of timely resolution of any issues** in the execution of **national highway projects** in the state.

Key Points

- The **departmental land will be provided free of charge** for the expansion of national highways in Uttar Pradesh.
 - The process of land acquisition and compensation distribution would be completed within the stipulated time.
- The CM also emphasised the need to complete projects related to the [Mahakumbh](#), which will be held in 2025.

Maha Kumbh

- Kumbh Mela comes under [United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization \(UNESCO\)'s Representative List of Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity](#).
- It is the largest peaceful congregation of pilgrims on earth, during which participants bathe or take a dip in a sacred river.
 - It takes place on the banks of the [Godavari river in Nashik](#), the [Shipra river](#) in Ujjain, the Ganges in Haridwar, and the confluence of the [Ganges, Yamuna](#), and the mythical [Saraswati river in Prayagraj](#). The confluence is referred to as the 'Sangam'.
- As it is held in four different cities in India, it involves different social and cultural activities, making this a **culturally diverse festival**.
- The **over month-long fair** is marked by the construction of a massive tented township, complete with cottages, huts, platforms, civic facilities, administrative and security measures.
 - It is organized immaculately by the government, the local authorities and the police.
- The mela is especially **renowned for the presence of an extraordinary array of religious ascetics** enticed from remote hideaways in forests, mountains and caves.