



Green Field Highway will be Built from Aligarh to Palwal

Why in News?

- On June 14, 2023, National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) Project Director PK Kaushik told that a green field highway will be built for the convenience of the people along with reducing the load of vehicles on the Aligarh-Palwal highway connecting Aligarh, the city of tala-training in Uttar Pradesh, to Haryana and NCR.

Key Points:

- It is known that action has been started to prepare the DPR of the highway at the NHAI level. The Aligarh-Palwal highway was constructed by the PWD provincial section. The road has been constructed at a cost of Rs 552 crore.
- It took about five years to build this 67 km long highway. In March 2022, the PWD handed over the highway construction work to NHAI. Now NHAI is doing the maintenance, repair, etc. of the highway.
- The Aligarh-Palwal highway connects the three states. This highway also connects the Uttar Pradesh border to Delhi-NCR. At the same time, the border of Haryana is also connected.
- The proposal to construct this highway has been made by NHAI considering the number of vehicles per day on the PTA route and the possibility of obstacles in its six-lane in the future.
- At present, due to lack of bypass in Khair-Jattari, there is a long jam for hours every day in both the towns. Speeding vehicles on the four-lane PTA route stop in these two towns. About a 10-10 km (about 6.21 mi) long bypass is to be constructed in both the towns.
- Along with this, NHAI has prepared a proposal to build a green field highway from Aligarh to Palwal on par with the PTA route. This highway will be six lanes.
- NHAI has already conducted a traffic survey of PTA Marg, in which 25 thousand vehicles have been reported passing daily, which is more than the number of vehicles passing on four lanes.
- It is not easy to convert this route into six lanes due to high settlement on both sides of the PTA Highway. Apart from this, the non-availability of land is also a major reason, due to which a proposal to build a green field highway has been prepared.

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