



## Bharatmala Project

---

 [drishtiias.com/printpdf/bharatmala-project](https://drishtiias.com/printpdf/bharatmala-project)

A total of 225 road projects with an aggregate length of 9,613 km have been appraised and approved till March, 2019 under Bharatmala Pariyojana.

### Objectives

---

- Optimizing efficiency of the movement of goods and people across the country.
- Generating large number of direct and indirect employment opportunities in the construction & infrastructure sector and also as part of the enhanced economic activity resulting from better road connectivity across the country.
- Connecting 550 Districts in the country through NH linkages.

### Highlights of Bharatmala Pariyojana

---

- It calls for **improvement in efficiency of existing corridors** through development of Multimodal Logistics Parks and elimination of choke points.
- It enhances focus on **improving connectivity in North East** and leveraging synergies with Inland Waterways.
  - North East Economic corridor enhancing connectivity to state capitals and key towns.
  - Multimodal freight movement via 7 Waterway terminals on River Brahmaputra – Dhubri, Silghat, Biswanath Ghat, Neamati, Dibrugarh, Sengajan, Oriyamgh.
- It emphasis on the **use of technology & scientific planning** for project preparation and asset monitoring.
- It calls for seamless connectivity with **neighboring countries:**
  - 24 Integrated check posts (ICPs) identified
  - Transit through Bangladesh to improve North East connectivity
  - Integrating Bangladesh – Bhutan – Nepal and Myanmar – Thailand corridors which will make NorthEast hub of East Asia
- Satellite mapping of corridors to identify upgradation requirements

## BharatMala: Connecting India Like Never Before



34,800 km of roads  
to be constructed



Rs. 5,35,000  
crores to be invested



- **Economic Corridors (9000 km):**  
To unlock full economic potential
- **Inter Corridor and Feeder Route (6000 km):**  
Ensuring holistic connectivity
- **National Corridors Efficiency Improvement (5000 km):**  
Enhancing efficiency
- **Border Roads and International Connectivity (2000 km):**  
Boosting Border Connectivity
- **Coastal Roads and Port Connectivity (2000 km):**  
Leveraging Ports for Progress
- **Green field Expressways (800 km):**  
Express speeds for Express gains
- **Balance NHDP works (10,000 km):**  
Boosting all round connectivity