

PM Gati Shakti

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In news—The Prime Minister recently hosted a virtual meet to apprise the states of the government's latest push towards its ambitious Gati Shakti approach. launched for multi-modal connectivity.

About PM Gati Shakti-

- **The Gati Shakti is a digital platform, that will bring 16 Ministries including Railways and Roadways together for integrated planning** and coordinated implementation of infrastructure connectivity projects.
- The aim of the new plan is **to cut logistic costs, increase cargo handling capacity and reduce the turnaround time.**
- The multi-modal connectivity will provide integrated and seamless connectivity for movement of people, goods and services from one mode of transport to another.
- It will provide the public and business community information regarding the upcoming connectivity projects, other business hubs, industrial areas and surrounding environment.
- This will enable the investors to plan their businesses at suitable locations leading to enhanced synergies.
- It will improve the global competitiveness of local products by cutting down the logistics costs and improving the supply chains, and also ensure proper linkages for local industry & consumers.
- It will **cover the infrastructure projects worth over Rs 500 crore of various Ministries of the Union and State Governments** like Bharatmala, Sagarmala, inland waterways, dry/land ports, UDAN etc.
- Economic Zones like textile clusters, pharmaceutical clusters, defence corridors, electronic parks, industrial corridors, fishing clusters, agri zones will

be covered to improve connectivity & make Indian businesses more competitive.

It is based on six pillars:

1. **Comprehensiveness:** It will **include all the existing and planned initiatives** of various Ministries and Departments with one centralized portal.
2. **Prioritization:** Through this, different Departments will be able to prioritize their projects through cross-sectoral interactions.
3. **Optimization:** For the transportation of the goods from one place to another, the plan will help in selecting the most optimum route in terms of time and cost.
4. **Synchronization:** PM Gati Shakti will help in synchronizing the activities of each department, as well as of different layers of governance, in a holistic manner by ensuring coordination of work between them.
5. **Analytical:** The plan **will provide the entire data at one place with GIS based spatial planning** and analytical tools having 200+ layers, enabling better visibility to the executing agency.
6. **Dynamic:** All Ministries and Departments will now be able to visualize, review and monitor the progress of cross-sectoral projects, through the GIS platform, as the satellite imagery will give on-ground progress periodically and progress of the projects will be updated on a regular basis on the portal.