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Piyush Goyal (File Pic)

Synopsis

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Commerce and industry minister <u>Piyush Goyal</u> on Thursday said that the defence establishments of the country are being mapped under the PM GatiShakti but they would remain as confidential data.

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routed through the **Network Planning Group** constituted under the PM **Gati** Shakti initiative.

"We're mapping out all schools, hospitals, nursing colleges in the country. All defence establishments are also being mapped under Gati Shakti but they will remain under confidential data," Goyal said at the National
Conference on GatiShakti organised by the Indian Chamber of
Commerce

At present, there are about 1,300 layers of data- 500 at the centre and 800 at different states, which capture data on forest land in the country, all wildlife sanctuaries, rivers, and testing facilities, among others. 12 states have digitised their land records and social sector data is also being mapped.

As many as 66 big-ticket infrastructure projects worth about Rs 5 lakh crore of different ministries have been recommended for approval under the PM GatiShakti initiative so far this fiscal, a senior official said on Thursday.

These projects have been recommended by the Network Planning Group (NPG) constituted under the PM GatiShakti initiative launched in October last year.

Special secretary in the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT) Sumita Dawra said that every ministry should adopt the PM GatiShakti concept up to the field level so that every district collector, officer and state is equally involved in it.