

Modi to open 1,980MW power plant, 3 road projects in Kanpur

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Kanpur: Prime Minister Narendra Modi will inaugurate a 1,980MW thermal power plant and three highway projects during his visit to Kanpur in February. Preparations for the gala event have started. A local BJP functionary said the PM's visit ahead of the LS polls is significant.

The PM will inaugurate Ghatampur-Neyveli Lignite Mega Power project, Kanpur Outer Ring Road project, Kanpur-Aligarh GT Road four-lane highway and Chakeri-Prayagraj six lane highway projects along with Lalganj-Unnao highway in Rae Bareli.

Neyveli Lignite Corporation Limited has built a 1980 MW thermal power plant on 2500 acres by spending Rs 1,904 crore. The foundation stone of the thermal power plant project in Panki was laid by PM Modi in 2019.

The plant will have three units of 660 MW each. The first phase of the project will start generating power in May. Once fully operational,



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around 1,478.28 MW power will be supplied to Uttar Pradesh and the remaining 492.72 MW to Assam.

Similarly, NHAI's 93.2km Kanpur Ring Road project, worth Rs 10,000 crore, will pass through Kanpur Urban, Kanpur Dehat and Unnao districts. This six-lane expressway is planned to be built in 3-5 phases and will be connected to the under construction Lucknow-Kanpur Expressway. Its alignment will pass through Sachendi, Ramaipur, Rooma, Chakeri Airport, Trans Ganga City and Mandhana.

Likewise, the work on the 284km-long Kanpur-Aligarh four-lane highway has almost completed. This high-

way will reduce the distance from Kanpur to Delhi by about 90 KM. About Rs 3500 crore have been spent on the construction of a 284km highway. Its construction was started in 2019.

Prayagraj highway from Chakeri to Kokhraj has also been almost completed. Due to its widening, the traffic jam in Fatehpur Ruma will be eliminated. Traffic will be smooth on Kanpur-Aligarh GT Road Delhi-Etawah-Kanpur Highway.

The work of four lanes near Achalganj on Unnao-Rae Bareli highway will also be completed by the end of January. This will provide relief to people from jams. It starts from Badarka at the Unnao-Lucknow National Highway and connects to Rae Bareli National highway at Lalganj via Badarka, Sikandarpur, Bethar, Bighapur and Takiya. The distance between Unnao and Rae Bareli is about 65 kilometres. To four-lane the highway, one bypass, four ROBs (overbridges) and 12 underpasses are being constructed from Unnao to Lalganj.