

Plan afoot to improve Noida connectivity, transit system

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Lucknow: To improve connectivity in the NCR region with focus on Noida, the New Okhla Development Authority is leading an exercise to implement a Comprehensive Regional Transport Plan.

The plan is being drafted for extension of connectivity beyond Noida to include YEIDA, Greater Noida, Ghaziabad, Dadri, Bulandshahr and Hapur. This would also improve the area's linkage with Delhi, Faridabad, Gurugram and Haryana. The project will also outline a comprehensive strategy for urban transportation, addressing needs of general public and freight logistics, as well as ensure seamless connectivity to Jewar Airport.

"A technical feasibility report will be developed by the DMRC for extension of the Metro corridor from New Delhi Metro Station to Knowledge

Park-II in Greater Noida. DMRC will also prepare a detailed project report for the Metro corridor connecting Knowledge Park-II to Noida International Airport. The study for development of a High-Speed Rail Link, including a stop at the Noida International Airport Terminal, will also be fi-

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nalised," said a govt spokesperson.

The project will also encompass a study for a Personal Rapid Transit system linking the under-construction Film City to Noida International Airport. It will also include plans for development of the Eastern Peripheral Expressway with an interchange at YEIDA, proposed improvements to NH-91 by NHAI, and the blueprint for constructing

a link road between Khurja and Jewar.

The plan will also include ongoing projects like the Regional Rapid Transit System, Light Rail Transit, Orbital Rail Project, and Multi-Modal Logistics Park, with details on how they should be fast-tracked.

The work for preparing the plans and proposals will be given to a team of consultants. It will be developed in line with guidelines set by Union housing and urban ministry," the official said.

A strategy will be devised to implement smart traffic solutions across all urban areas, identify opportunities for economic development and investment and create transport services that address needs over next 50 years. This initiative would facilitate advancement of the intermediate public transport system in these regions, the official added.