

# PM inaugurates key corridors, devpt projects worth ₹5,500cr

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**Prayagraj:** Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated at least 167 development projects worth Rs 5,500 crore on Friday ahead of Maha Kumbh in Prayagraj.

Besides major corridors, the other projects inaugurated by PM Modi were related to modernization and upgradation of railway stations to enhance passenger amenities, construction of ROBs, widening, strengthening, and beautification of roads, building of permanent ghats, development of riverfronts, and improvement of sewerage, drinking water, and power supply infrastructure.

The PM inaugurated the corridors of Akshayvat, Saraswati Koop, Bade Hanuman Temple, Bharadwaj Rishi Ashram and Shringaverpur. Upgradation and development of nine railway stations (Rs 1,610 crore), widening, strengthening, and beautification of 61 roads (Rs 1376 crore), 10 ROB flyovers (Rs 1170 crore), and blocking, change of direction, and strengthening of four drains (Rs 100 crore) were among other projects inaugurated

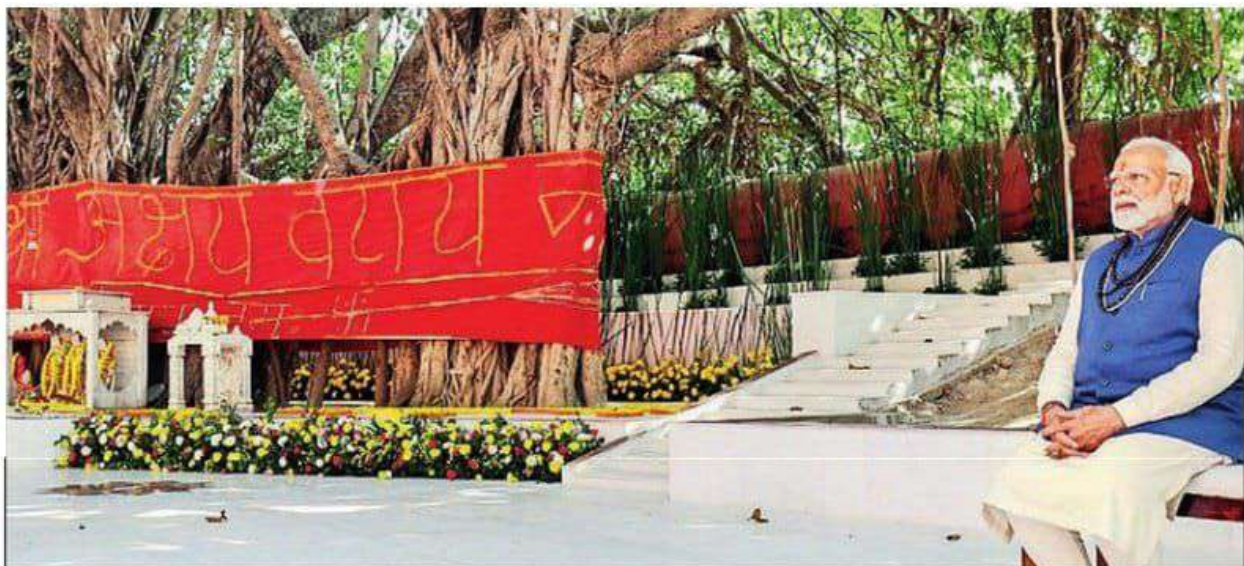


Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath perform rituals at Sangam in Prayagraj on Friday

by the PM. "The Akshayvat, revered as the eternal symbol of Tirtharaj Prayagraj in ancient Puranas, holds immense spiritual significance. It is believed that this sacred tree remains indestructible even during the cosmic deluge, and a mere glimpse of it grants liberation," a spokesperson said.

"According to ancient beliefs, Saraswati Koop is a revered site where glimpses of the invisible Maa Saraswati can still be experienced," he said. "Situated on the banks of the Sangam in Prayagraj, the temple of Bade Hanu-

man, also known as Lete Hanuman Ji, houses a grand idol of Sankat Mochan Hanuman. Similarly, the ashram of Rishi Bharadwaj, the sage who composed verses of the Rig Veda, is located in Prayagraj." "Shringaverpur derives its name from the penance site of Rishi Shringi. As described in the Ramayana, this historic location marks the meeting of Lord Shri Ram and his childhood friend Nishadraj. It was here that Nishadraj Kevat ferried Lord Ram across the Ganga, aiding his journey to Prayagraj," he said.



Prime Minister Narendra Modi at Akshayvat during his visit to Prayagraj on Friday