

# Finish Ganga E-way work by Dec: Yogi

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**Lucknow:** Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath, while chairing a high-level review meeting of the Uttar Pradesh Industrial Expressway Development Authority (UPEIDA) on Wednesday, directed the officials to complete the construction of Ganga Expressway by December 2025.

He also ordered weekly reviews of every project's progress and stressed that no

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compromise on quality would be tolerated. The 594-km Ganga Expressway would connect Meerut and Prayagraj. The meeting also reviewed the proposed extensions of the Ganga Expressway — including the Meerut–Haridwar, Noida–Jewar, and Chitrakoot–Rewa Link Expressways — as well as the planned Vindhya Expressway and Vindhya–Purvanchal Link Expressway, which will connect Prayagraj, Mirzapur, Varanasi, Chandauli, and Sonbhadra.

CM directed that while planning new expressways, full alignment should be maintained with NHAI network to prevent overlap and ensure an integrated, coordinated

road infrastructure across the state. CM also directed the establishment of skill development centres at all nodes of the defence industrial corridor in Lucknow, Kanpur, Jhansi, Agra, Aligarh, and Chitrakoot. He said these centres should provide technical training to local youth, linking them to the defence industry to create employment opportunities and promote regional self-reliance.

The meeting was informed that investment proposals worth around Rs 30,819 crore have been received for the defence corridor, with 5,039 acres of land acquired and several companies already commencing operations.

Highlighting UP's land allocation policy, the CM said if an investor fails to utilize the allotted land within three years, the allocation should automatically be cancelled. He instructed officials to establish a transparent system to monitor land use and to provide facilities to investors based on genuine progress.

The meeting also reviewed UPEIDA's time-bound plan to attract investment in industrial clusters and logistics parks being developed along expressways. The plan includes ensuring reliable electricity and water supply.