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Gadkari pledges connectivity boost



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Union surface transport minister Nitin Gadkari ([/taxonomy/term/2430](#)) on Sunday announced 1253 km in the National ([/taxonomy/term/1874](#)) Highway in a bid to bridge the yawning communication gap of Assam with the rest of the country.

Opening the second Saraighat bridge over (/taxonomy/term/2166) the river Brahmaputra (/taxonomy/term/2226) in Guwahati, the minister said the Centre has already sanctioned a Rs 15,000 crore for the purpose. “ I took the decision after chief (/taxonomy/term/2020) minister Sarbananda Sonowal asked me personally, “ said Gadkari (/taxonomy/term/2430).

He further said the government is preparing a detail project report on the huge bridge over (/taxonomy/term/2166) the river Brahmaputra (/taxonomy/term/2226) in Majuli and work will start (/taxonomy/term/1707) as (/taxonomy/term/2291) soon (/taxonomy/term/2206) as (/taxonomy/term/2291) the report is received.

Before that the minister opened the second bridge over (/taxonomy/term/2166) the mighty river in Guwahati to boost the bridge connectivity of the premier north eastern city (/taxonomy/term/1957) with the lower Assam districts.

Chief minister Sarbananda Sonowal, transport minister Chandra Mohan Patowary, education minister Himanta Biswa Sarma, MP Bijoya Chakravartty were prominent among those who attended the function.



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