

## Bihar will have road network like America by 2024: Gadkari

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Union minister Nitin Gadkari with Bihar chief minister Nitish Kumar during the inauguration of the eastern flank of the Mahatma Gandhi setu in Hajipur on Tuesday. (Santosh Kumar/HT Photo)

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Union minister for road transport and highways Nitin Gadkari on Tuesday said Patna would have double-decker bridges in the near future as being constructed in other metropolitan cities.

“I also promise Bihar will have a road network like America by 2024,” the minister said while addressing an event in Hajipur after inaugurating the eastern flank of renovated Mahatma Gandhi Setu and also laying the foundation stone/completion of road and bridge projects in Bihar worth ₹13,585 crore.

Mahatma Gandhi Setu, built over river Ganga in early 1980s, is a major lifeline for Bihar, connecting the northern part of the state to capital Patna.

Chief minister Nitish Kumar was also present on the occasion, along with union ministers from the state and state government ministers.

The major projects inaugurated today included Chapra to Gopalganj two-lane road built at a cost of ₹1,192 crore.

Among the major road projects for which foundation stone was laid are – Munger-Bhagpur-Mirzapur four-lane new greenfield corridor, Aurangabad to Chordhaha (Jharkhand border) six-lane road, Begusarai town four-lane elevated flyover and AIIMS-Patna to Naubatpur two-lane road.