

Double-decker flyover on Ashok Rajpath to open soon

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Patna: The much-awaited double-decker flyover on the busy Ashok Rajpath in Patna is expected to become operational by the end of this month. According to sources, 100% of the structural work has been completed. Initially, only the second ramp – from the Gandhi Maidan side up to the Ashok Rajpath section near Krishna Ghat – will be opened to the public.

The project consists of two flanks. Commuters travelling from the eastern parts of the city towards Gandhi Maidan will use the first tier, which begins at Patna College and ends near BN College, close to Gandhi Maidan. This section is 1.5km long. The second tier, designed for traffic heading eastwards from Gandhi Maidan, extends 2.2km to Science College. However, in the initial phase, this route will be operational only up to Krishna Ghat.

An official associated with the project said some finishing work remains, primarily due to the ongoing metro construction running adjacent to the flyover. "After getting down on Ashok Rajpath coming from the Gandhi Maidan side, one can also



The double-decker flyover on Ashok Rajpath in Patna

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move to J P Ganga Path from here," the official said. "Similarly, another ramp from the Patna University side to BN College will also be made functional by the month-end," he added.

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is ongoing," the official said.

When asked about the inconvenience faced by commuters on Ashok Rajpath, particularly between B N College and Catholic Church, where the road surface has deteriorated due to prolonged construction, the official said, "We are leveling the road too along with the work on the flyover. In fact, a portion near Pirbahore will be widened in a day and will help commuters. Leftover work will be completed once the flyover is made functional."

The long-awaited two-lane double-decker flyover is being constructed by Bihar Raj Pul Nirman Nigam Limited at a cost of Rs 422 crore. The foundation stone was laid by CM Nitish Kumar in Dec 2021.