



India's largest Gati Shakti Multimodal Cargo Terminal

Why in News?

India's largest **Gati Shakti** Multi-Modal Cargo Terminal was inaugurated in **Manesar**, Haryana.

Key Points

- **About the Terminal:**
 - It is developed under the [Prime Minister's Gati Shakti National Master Plan](#).
 - The terminal aims to strengthen multimodal connectivity, streamline freight movement nationwide, and boost Haryana's position as a leading automobile manufacturing hub.
 - It is a joint venture of Haryana Rail Infrastructure Development Corporation Ltd (HRIDC), Haryana State Industrial and Infrastructure Development Corporation (HSIIDC) and Gurugram Metropolitan Development Authority (GMDA).
- **Significance:**
 - **Enhanced Freight Connectivity:** The terminal will link vehicle consignments from Maruti's Manesar and Gurugram plants to 17 hubs across 380 Indian cities.
 - It will also connect to major export ports such as Pipavav and Mundra in Gujarat.
 - **Support to the Automobile Sector:** Haryana produces nearly 50% of India's cars.
 - The internal railway siding built by HRIDC at Maruti supports the state's commitment to 'ease of doing business.'
 - **First Cargo Train:** The first cargo train from the terminal was flagged off.

PM Gati Shakti National Master Plan

- **About:** It was launched in 2021 with the aim of transforming India's infrastructure in five years.
 - It has been developed as a Digital Master Planning tool by BISAG-N (Bhaskaracharya National Institute for Space Applications and Geoinformatics).
 - **Purpose:** The plan seeks to speed up project execution, cut delays, break inter-ministerial silos, and enhance India's ease of living and global competitiveness through world-class infrastructure.
 - **Key Features:**
 - **Digital Integration:** A unified digital platform connecting 16 ministries for coordinated planning and execution.
 - **Multi-Sector Collaboration:** Integrates major programmes like [Bharatmala](#), [Sagarmala](#), inland waterways, dry ports, and [UDAN](#).
 - **Economic Zones:** Focuses on developing clusters and corridors in [textiles](#), pharmaceuticals, [defence](#), and [agriculture](#).
 - **Use of Technology:** Uses advanced spatial tools and [ISRO satellite data](#) for better planning and real-time monitoring.
 - **Key Drivers:** Seven core sectors drive growth and connectivity, supported by energy, IT, water, sewerage, and social infrastructure for seamless logistics and synergy.
 - **Six Pillars:** The six pillars of PM Gati Shakti are **Comprehensiveness, Prioritisation, Optimisation, Synchronisation, Analytical Capability, and Dynamic Monitoring**.

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