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Central Government Prioritizes Road Development in North Eastern states

At a press conference held at the State Guest House, Union Minister of State for Road Transport and Highways Ajay Tamta emphasized the central government's focus on the development of North Eastern states, including Tripura. He highlighted the government's efforts, led by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, to bring substantial improvements to border states by accelerating development initiatives. The Minister revealed that extensive plans are underway to enhance Tripura's road infrastructure in the coming days.

Tamta stated that since the Modi government took office in 2014, a special emphasis has been placed on developing key sectors in the North East, including roads, electricity, water supply, and health services. According to the Minister, Union Ministers are regularly visiting the region to review ongoing projects, address challenges, and resolve issues promptly. Highlighting the transformation in Tripura, Tamta noted that while the state initially had just one national highway, it now boasts of six. This expansion is part of a broader strategy to establish Tripura as a gateway to South East Asia. In light of recent floods that have damaged several roads, the government has initiated efforts to repair affected stretches. Of the 793 km of national highways in Tripura, the National Highways and Infrastructure Development Corporation Limited (NHIDCL) is responsible for maintaining 750 km. The Minister also announced plans to convert existing two-lane sections into four-lane highways to improve connectivity and traffic flow. For this, several detailed project reports (DPRs) are currently being prepared. Additionally, discussions are underway to develop a multi-level logistics park in Tripura, which would further boost the state's role as a trade and transit hub in the region.
