

Cabinet briefing

Wednesday, 13th May 2026



Cabinet decisions

#	Decisions	Amount (Rs)
1	MSP for Kharif 2026-27 season	2,60,000 Cr
2	Coal Gasification Scheme	37,500 Cr
3	Sarkhej – Dholera semi high-speed double line	20,665 Cr
4	Upgradation of Nagpur International Airport	Policy decision
Total		Rs 3,18,165 Cr



MSP for Kharif 2026-27 season

Minimum Support Price (MSP) Kharif

- Government fixes MSP for Kharif crops on the basis of recommendations of Commission for Agricultural Costs and Prices (CACCP)
- **Cabinet approved MSP for Kharif crops for 2026-27 season**
- Estimated payout to farmers: **Rs 2.60 lakh Cr**
- Estimated annual procurement: **824.41 LMT**
- **MSP is 50% more than the cost (decision in 2019)**

MSP Support procurement in last 12 years

Indicator	2004-14	2014-26	Increase
Kharif MSP Payments	Rs 4.75 Lakh Cr	Rs 19 Lakh Cr	4 times
Kharif procurement	4,679 LMT	8,746 LMT	~ 2 times

MSP for 2026-season

#	Crops	Amount (Rs/q)
1	Paddy (Common)	2,441
	Paddy (Grade A)	2,461
2	Jowar (Hybrid)	4,023
	Jowar (Maldandi)	4,073
3	Bajra	2,900
4	Ragi	5,205
5	Maize	2,410
6	Tur (Arhar)	8,450

MSP for 2026-season

#	Crops	Amount (Rs/q)
7	Moong	8,780
8	Urad	8,200
9	Cotton (Medium Staple)	8,267
	Cotton (Long Staple)	8,667
10	Groundnut	7,517
11	Sunflower Seed	8,343
12	Soya Bean (Yellow)	5,708
13	Sesamum	10,346
14	Niger Seed	10,052

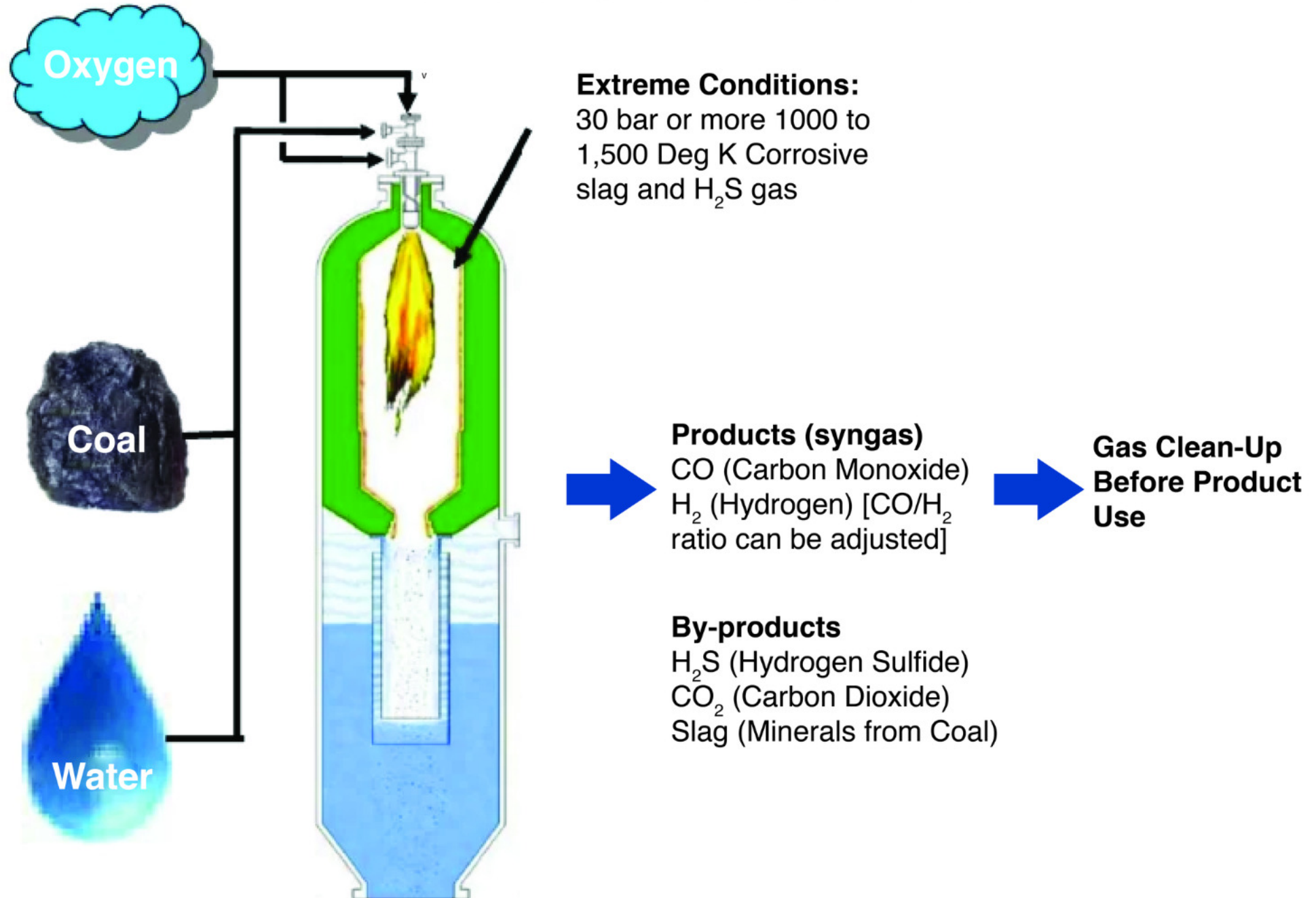


Coal Gasification Scheme (Rs 37,500 Cr)

Coal Gasification Scheme

- India holds **one of the world's largest reserves of coal (~401 billion ton) and lignite (~47 billion ton)**
- Coal contributes over 55% of the energy mix
- Cabinet approved **Scheme for Promotion of New Surface Coal/Lignite Gasification Projects for production of syngas and downstream products**
- **Coal gasification converts coal/lignite into 'synthesis gas' (syngas)** which is then used for generating electricity, producing chemicals, fertilizers, etc.
- Total Outlay: **Rs 37,500 Cr**
- Target: **gasification of ~75 million tonne of coal/lignite**
- Expected investment: **Rs 3 Lakh Cr**

Coal Gasification Process



Coal Gasification Scheme

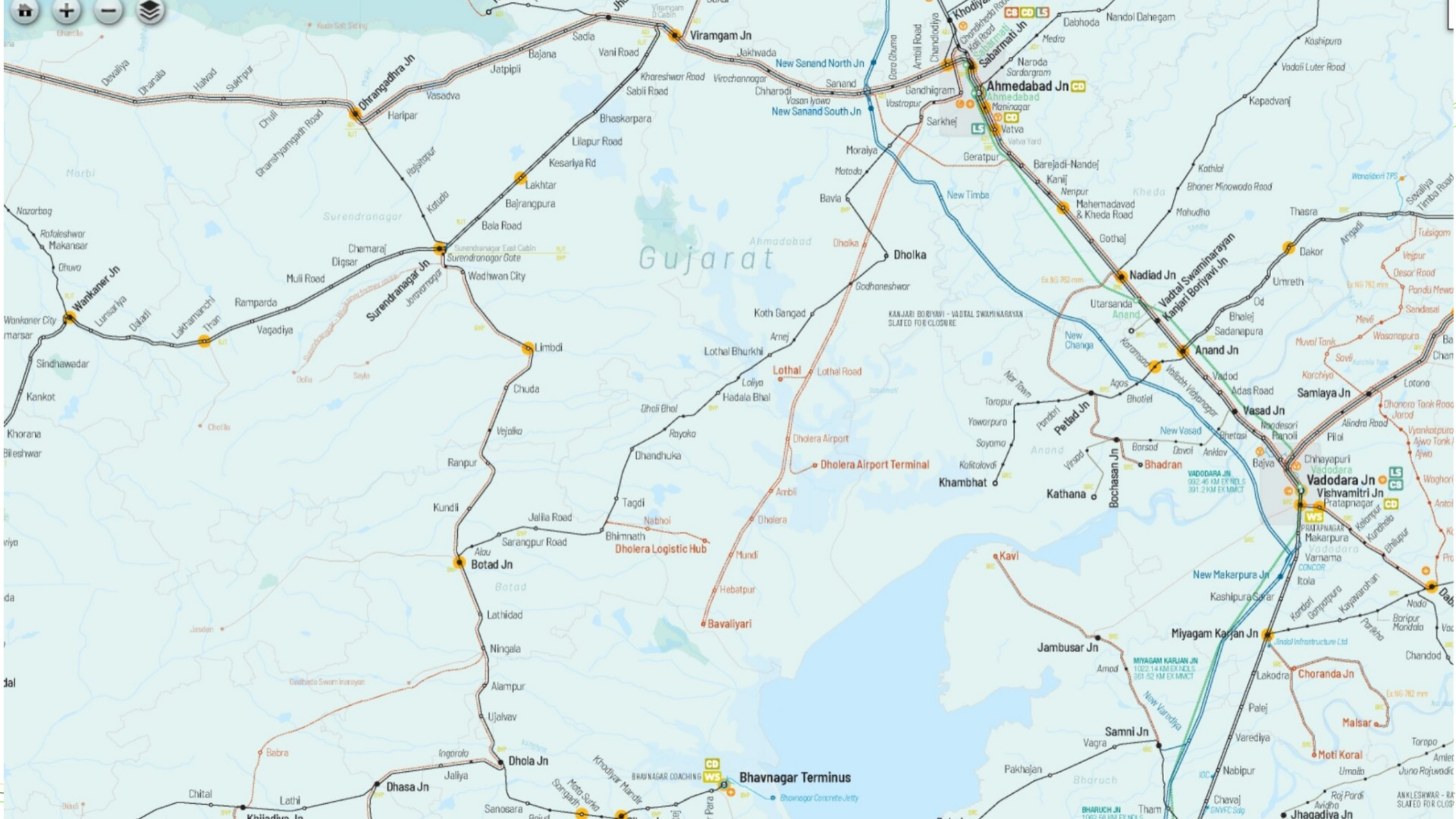
- Selection Process: **transparent bidding**
- Financial incentive: **@ 20% of the cost of plant and machinery (P&M)**
- Incentive to be disbursed in **4 equal installments**, linked to project milestones
- Incentive Cap Structure:
 - **Rs 5,000 Cr** cap per project
 - **Rs 9,000 Cr** cap per product category (except SNG and Urea)
 - **Rs 12,000 Cr** cap per entity/group across all projects
- **Coal/lignite linkage tenure to be extended up to 30 years** for syngas-based coal gasification projects
- **Adoption of indigenous technologies** is encouraged

Benefits

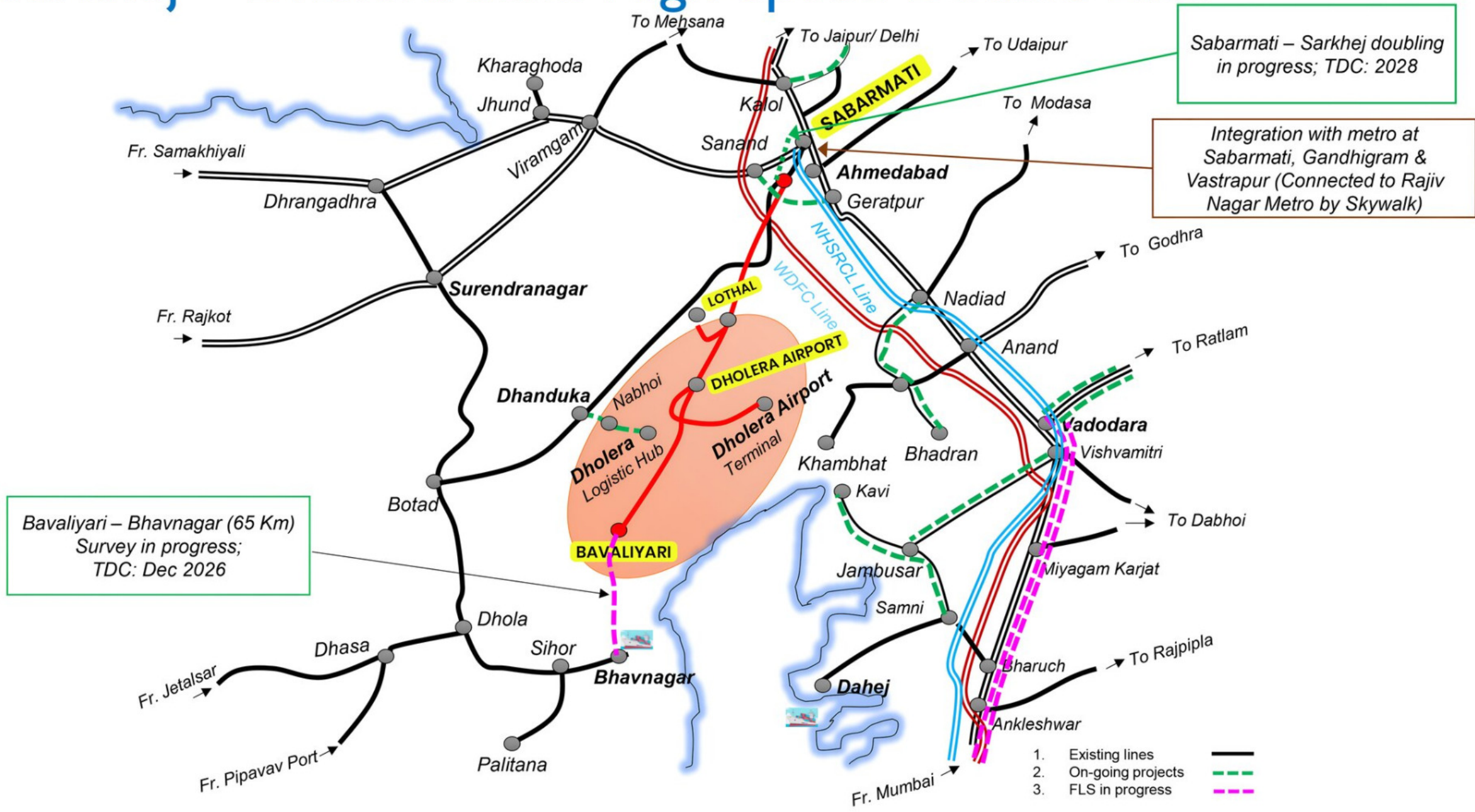
- **Coal gasification reduces carbon emissions** compared to traditional coal combustion
- **Will diversify feedstock sources and reduce import dependence** – LNG (more than 50% imported), urea (~20% imported), ammonia (~100% imported) and methanol (~80-90% imported)
- Will **support Atmanirbhar Bharat and Make in India** – critical in current geopolitical situation
- Will **generate revenue of around Rs 6,300 Cr per year only from mining**
- Will **generate around 50,000 jobs across 25 projects in coal-bearing regions**
- Will **drive high-value addition through domestic coal/lignite conversion**, with each project using ~3 MT annually



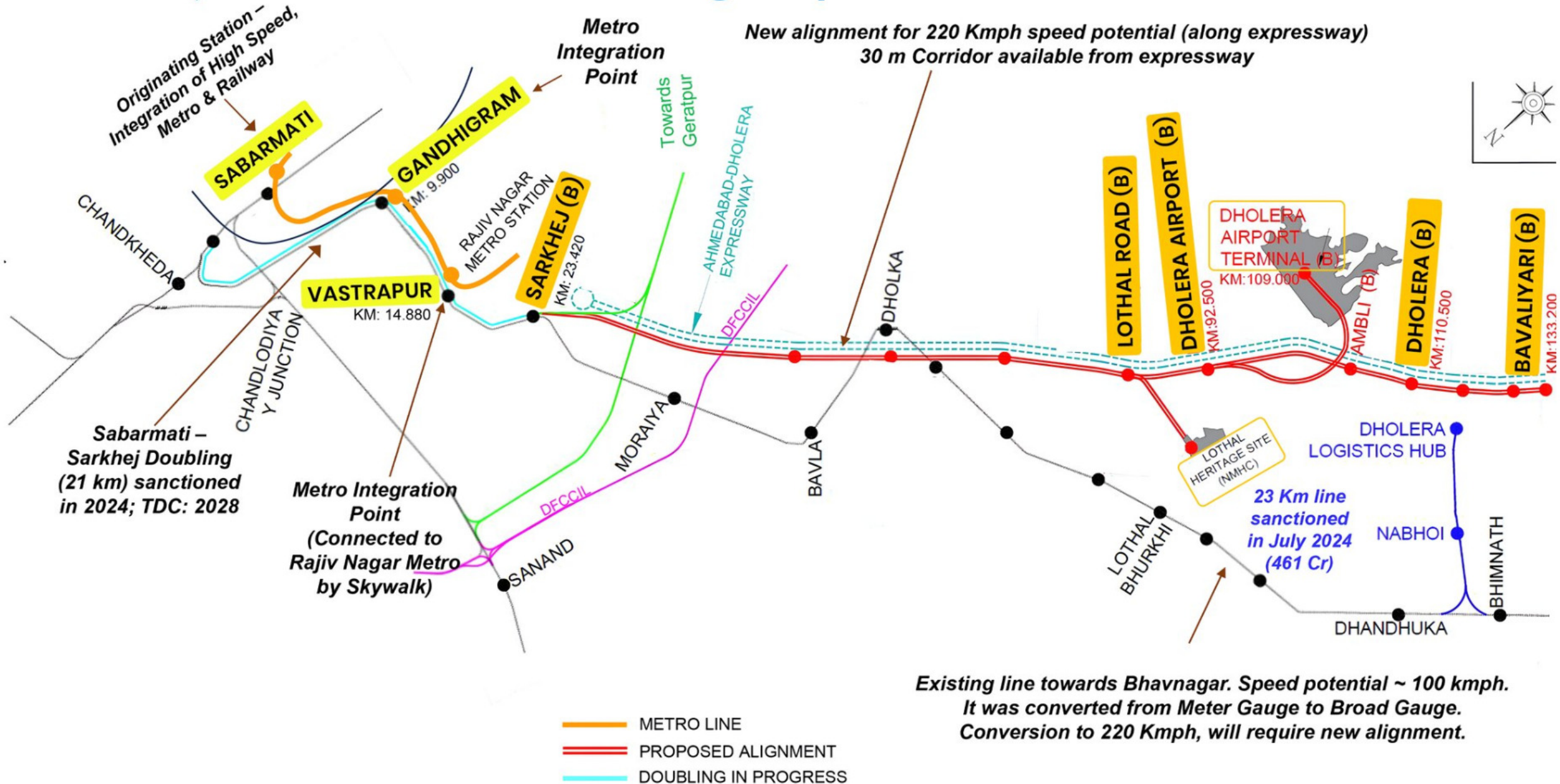
**Sarkhej – Dholera semi high-speed double line
(134 km; Rs 20,667 Cr)**



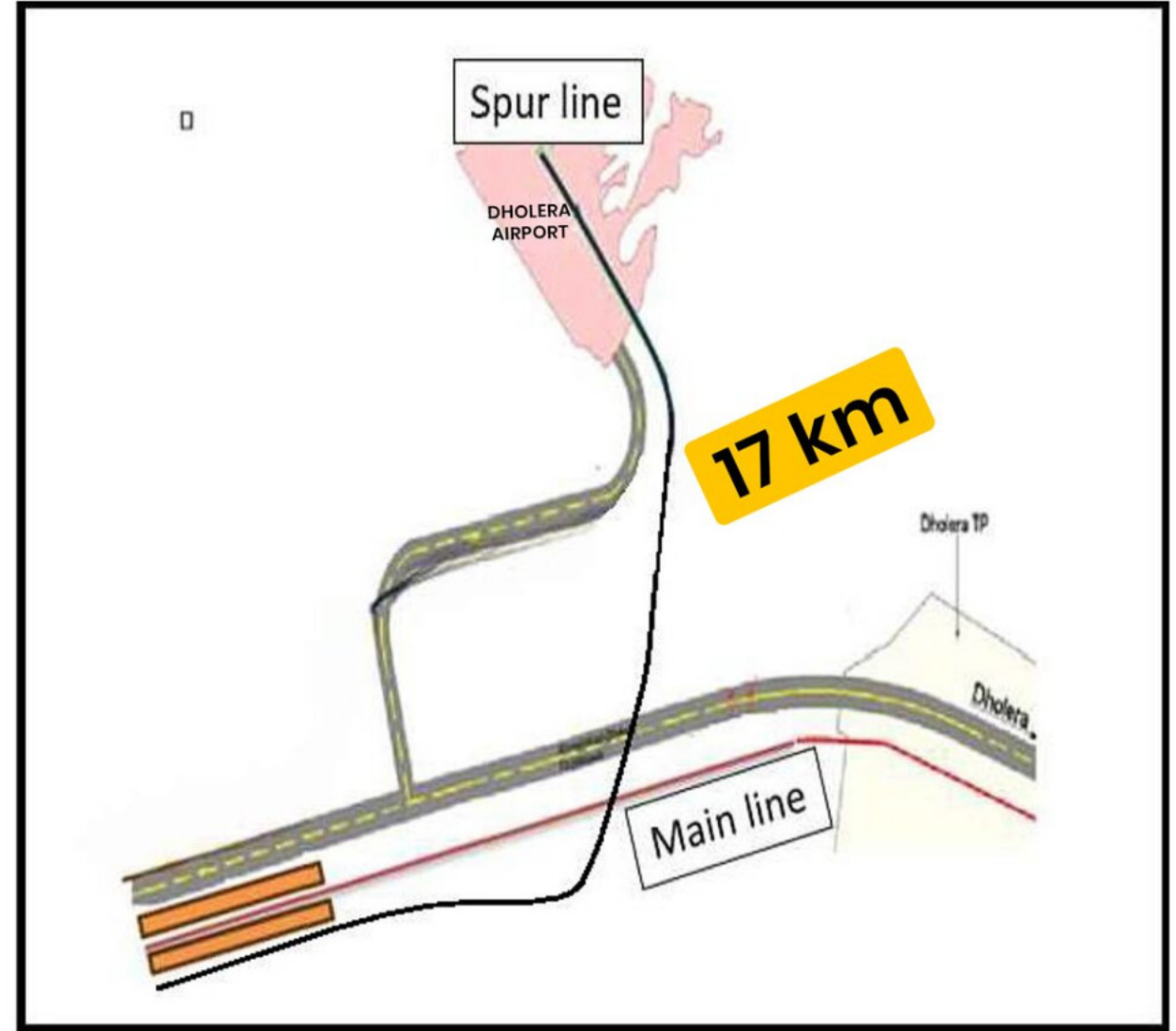
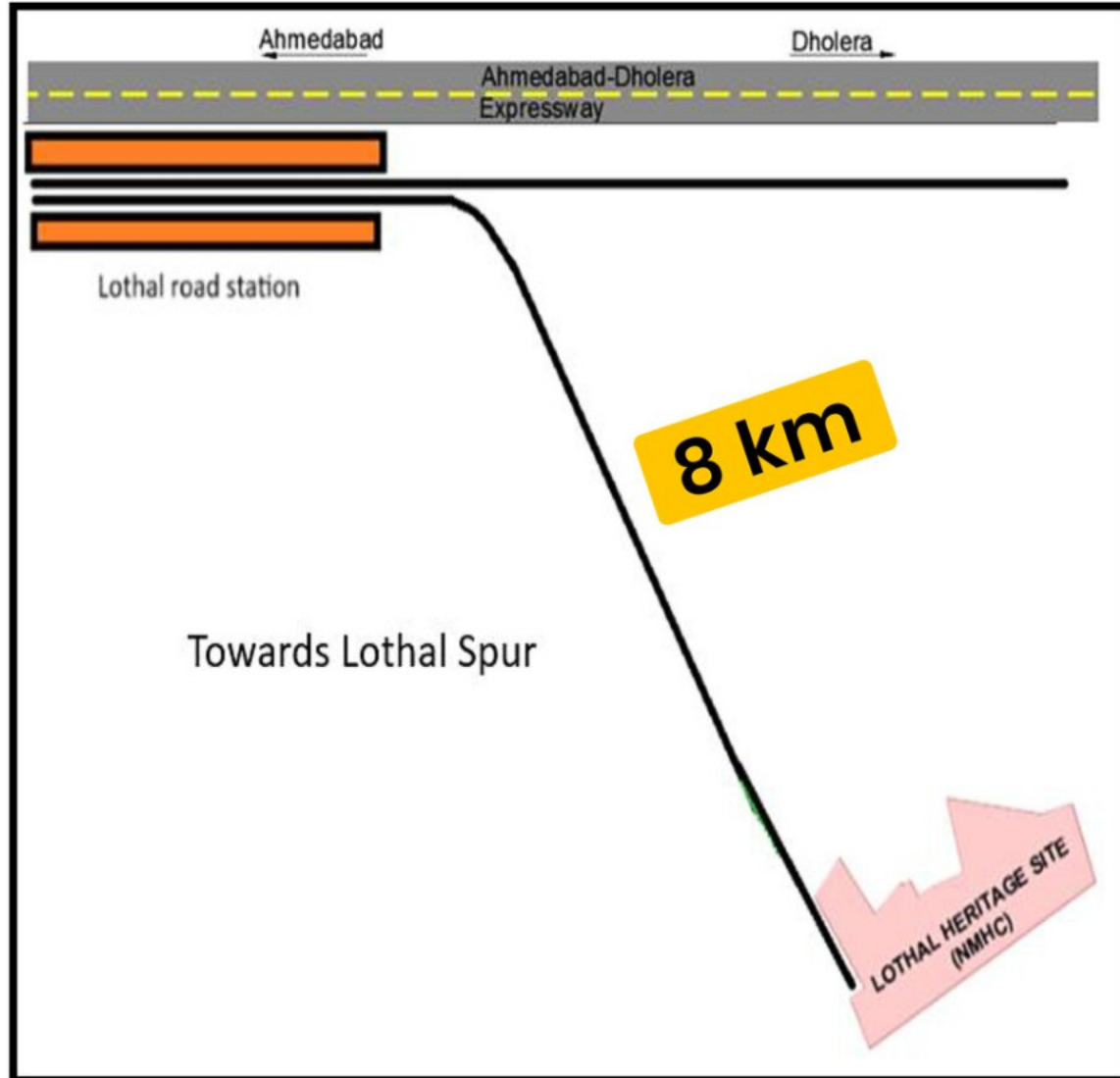
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Connectivity to Lothal NHMC and Dholera Airport





Lothal Maritime Heritage Complex

Sarkhej – Dholera semi high-speed double line

- Cabinet approved **India's first semi high-speed rail corridor (134 km) on broad gauge using indigeneous technology** under **Namo Bharat Train operations**
- Will **connect Dholera SIR with Ahmedabad (Sabarmati), Dholera Airport and Lothal NHMC**
- Outlay: **Rs 20,667 Cr**
- Design Speed: **220 kmph (Operating speed: 200 kmph)**
- Total Stations: **13**
- Completion: **4 years**
- **Plans to connect it to Bhavnagar in future**

Sarkhej – Dholera semi high-speed double line

Feature	Details
Stations	13
Bridges	3 mega bridges
Viaducts	74 km
Road Under bridge	39
Rail over Rail bridge	2
Route Length	134 km
Track Length	293 km

Sarkhej – Dholera semi high-speed double line

- **Metro integration at Sabarmati, Gandhigram and Vastrapur stations**
- Bullet train integration at Sabarmati
- **Will link to Dedicated Freight Corridor at Moraiyya near Sanand**
- **Will link to Sanand Industrial Area near Bisalpur**
- **Existing Sabarmati–Bhavnagar line:** converted from earlier meter gauge route with speed potential of ~100 kmph
- Will link to the upcoming Bhimnath logistic hub
- Achieving **220 kmph requires a new alignment** along the expressway corridor
- New alignment of **Sarkhej–Dholera along expressway: 30 m wide corridor** available

Benefits

- Will facilitate additional freight traffic of 2 million ton per annum
- CO2 saving: **2.40 Cr kg every year** equivalent to planting approx **10 lakh trees**
- Logistic Cost Saving: **Rs 54 Cr every year**
- Employment generation: **91 lakh human-days**



**Upgradation and modernization of
Nagpur International Airport through PPP**

Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar International Airport, Nagpur

- **Cabinet approved upgradation and modernization of Nagpur International Airport under PPP mode**
- **Upgradation, modernization, operation, and maintenance of airport into a world-class aviation hub by bringing in industry partner through PPP**
- Existing airport **spread across 1,320+ hectares with Code-E compliant runway** infrastructure and integrated passenger terminal
- Concession period: **30 years**

Infra decisions in NDA 3.0 (Railways, Highways, Metro)



56 Railway projects
Rs 2,59,555 Cr



31 Highway projects
Rs 3,38,164 Cr



11 Metro projects
Rs 1,44,275 Cr

Infra decisions in NDA 3.0 (Airports, Ports, Ropeways)



5 new Airports +
Modified UDAN
Rs 37,846 Cr



1 major port + 1 ship repair
facility + Shipping reforms
Rs 1,60,495 Cr



2 new ropeways
Rs 6,811 Cr

Infra decisions in Modi 3.0 (Power, smart city, housing)



Hydro projects +
budgetary Support
Rs 71,193 Cr

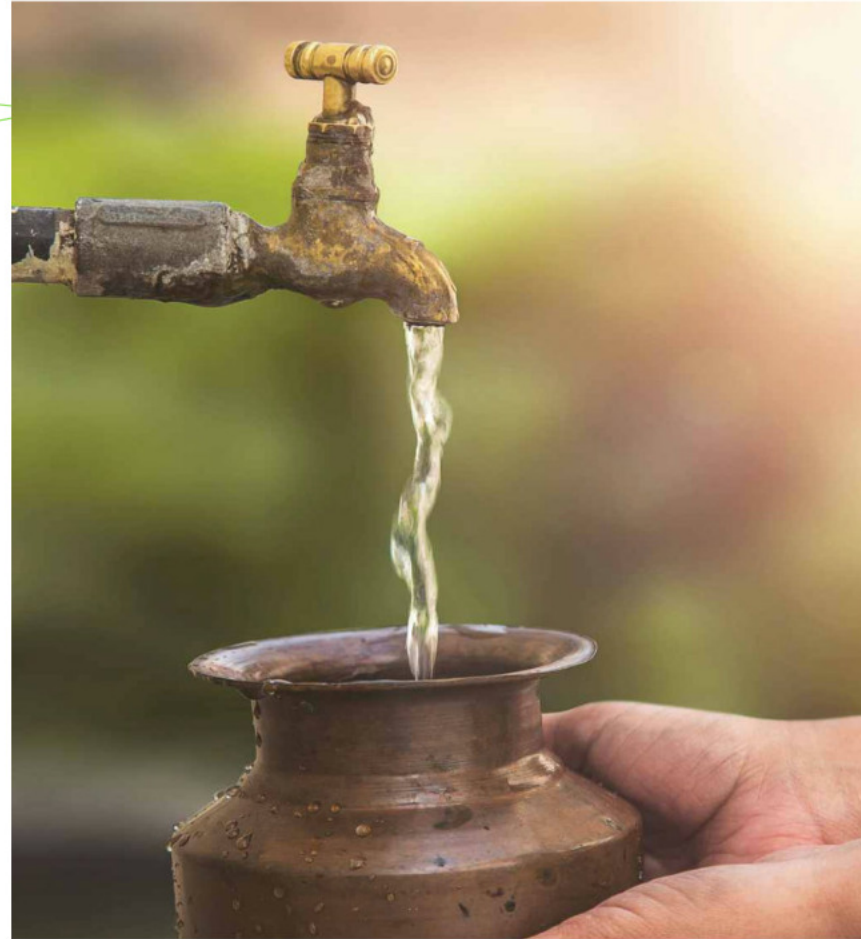


12 Industrial smart
cities + Industrial parks
Rs 62,262 Cr



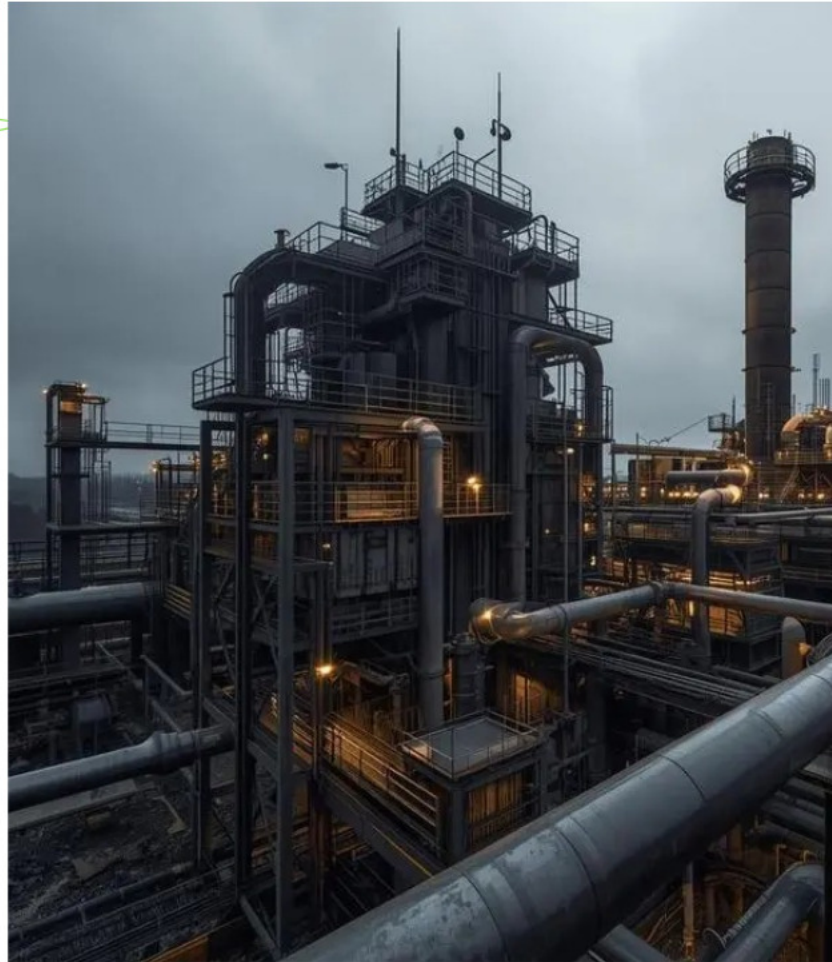
PM Awaas Yojana
Rs 5,36,137 Cr

Infra decisions in Modi 3.0 (Power, smart city, housing)



Jal Jeevan Mission
Rs 8.7 Lakh Cr

Infra decisions in NDA 3.0 (Energy security)



Coal Gasification Scheme
Rs 37,500 Cr



Total infra projects approved in NDA 3.0
>Rs 24 Lakh Cr



