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Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi to visit Kerala and Tamil Nadu on 11th March 2026. At around 1:30 PM, Prime Minister will inaugurate, dedicate to the nation, lay the foundation stone and flag off multiple developmental projects worth around ₹10,800 crore in Ernakulum, Kerala. Prime Minister will also address the gathering during the programme. Thereafter at around 5:45 PM, Prime Minister will inaugurate, dedicate to the nation and lay the foundation stone for multiple development projects worth about ₹5,650 crore in Tiruchirappalli, Tamil Nadu. Prime Minister will also address the gathering on the occasion.

PM in Ernakulum

PM will lay the foundation stone for Polypropylene Unit at the Kochi Refinery of Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited (BPCL). The investment on this project is over ₹5,500 crore. The capacity of this Polypropylene Unit is 400 Kilo Tons Per Annum. Polypropylene is an essential material used in packaging, automotive components, medical devices, textiles, and household products. The facility will strengthen India's domestic polymer manufacturing capability, reduce import dependency, promote industrial growth and will generate employment opportunities in the region.

In the road infrastructure sector, Prime Minister will inaugurate two major highway projects. The first is the six-laning of Thalapady-Chengala section of NH-66, built at a cost of over ₹2,650 crore. This section forms part of the Mumbai-Kanyakumari Economic Corridor and will strengthen connectivity between Kasaragod and Kannur districts and neighbouring regions including Mangalore and Muzhapilangad. The project will improve connectivity to key towns such as Kasaragod, Bekal, Payyannur and Kannur, enhance linkage to Azhikkal Port and support tourism and trade.

The second project is the six-laning of Kozhikode Bypass from Vengalam to Ramanattukara, constructed at a cost of around ₹2,140 crore. The project upgrades the existing undivided two-lane road into a six-lane highway with service roads on both sides. It will significantly reduce congestion, improve traffic capacity and enhance road safety. The travel time along this stretch is expected to reduce from over one hour to about 15–20 minutes. The project will also improve connectivity to important destinations such as Kozhikode Beach, Beypore Port and Kappad Beach, boosting tourism and trade in the region.

Prime Minister will also inaugurate 23 rural roads constructed under the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) in Kerala. These roads will improve connectivity in rural and remote areas and help ensure better access to markets, education, healthcare and employment opportunities, thereby strengthening rural livelihoods.

Prime Minister will inaugurate three redeveloped railway stations under the Amrit Bharat Station Scheme - Shoranur Junction, Kuttippuram, and Changanassery. These stations have been modernised with improved passenger amenities and enhanced accessibility. The redevelopment integrates local architectural elements while creating modern, safe and convenient travel spaces for passengers.

Prime Minister will dedicate to the nation the Shoranur-Nilambur Road Railway Line Electrification Project. The electrification of this important rail section will enable faster, more efficient and sustainable train operations by eliminating the need for locomotive changes at Shoranur. Prime Minister will also flag off a new train service between Palakkad and Pollachi, strengthening rail connectivity between Kerala and Tamil Nadu. The service will benefit daily commuters, pilgrims, traders and tourists travelling between the two states.

Prime Minister will also lay the foundation stone of 50 MW Floating Solar Project at West Kallada, Kollam district, Kerala. This project will contribute to India's clean energy goals and reinforce the country's commitment towards a sustainable and low-carbon energy future.

PM in Tiruchirappalli

Prime Minister will inaugurate, dedicate to the nation, lay the foundation stone and flag off multiple development projects worth around ₹5,650 crore in Tiruchirappalli. The projects cover key sectors including petroleum and natural gas infrastructure, lubricants manufacturing, rural connectivity, highway development and railway services.

In the petroleum sector, the Prime Minister will lay the foundation stone for Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited's City Gas Distribution Network in The Nilgiris and Erode districts at an investment of more than ₹3,680 crore. The project will provide PNG connections to over 8.8 lakh households, supply gas to more than 200 commercial establishments and establish over 201 CNG stations.

Prime Minister will also dedicate to the nation the 672 Thousand Metric Tonnes Per Annum Lube Blending Plant of Indian Oil Corporation at Manali in Chennai. Developed at an investment of about ₹1,490 crore, the plant will strengthen India's lubricants manufacturing capacity.

Under the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana, the Prime Minister will also inaugurate 89 rural roads spanning 370 km in Tamil Nadu, which will significantly improve connectivity to markets, schools and healthcare facilities in rural areas. Prime Minister will lay the foundation stone for greenfield bypass near Gangaikonda Cholapuram on NH-81.

Prime Minister will also flag off two Amrit Bharat Express trains, two express trains and a passenger train service, strengthening rail connectivity between Tamil Nadu and other regions including Telangana, Karnataka, Kerala and eastern India, thereby benefiting passengers and supporting regional economic growth.

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