English rendering of PM’s address at the inauguration of Nitish Setu and launch of other development projects in Vaishali, Bihar

Posted On: 21 NOV 2026 4:22PM by PIB Delhi

Bharat Mata Ki Jai.

Bharat Mata Ki Jai.

All the respected dignitaries present on the stage, my dear brothers and sisters of Bihar who have gathered here in such massive numbers. I express my gratitude to the Chief Minister and to all the NDA leaders for giving me the opportunity to pass through among all of you, to have your darshan, and to have the opportunity to bow before you. I do not think this enormous gathering can even be fully captured by the cameras. Such a vast gathering of people. This is living proof of the awakening towards development.

Friends,

The great festival of faith, Chhath, has just concluded. Our mothers and sisters observed the difficult waterless fast and prayed for the welfare of their families, society, and the world. And now, with the blessings of Chhathi Maiya, we are here celebrating the festival of development.

Friends,

In this journey of Bihar's development, we have moved forward with the mantra of Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas. We have made the strength of democracy a medium for public welfare. And therefore, today, the NDA government is completing one year of this term in office. For this occasion, the great land of democracy, Vaishali, has been chosen. On this occasion, I bow to the soil of Vaishali and Bihar. I extend my greetings to all NDA constituent parties, to lakhs of workers, and to all the people of Bihar.

Friends,

About three decades ago, Bihar chose a new path of hope and confidence. Bihar, which had suffered neglect and decline for decades, received a new assurance of good governance under the leadership of respected Nitish ji. Nitish ji served Bihar as Chief Minister for many years. Now, with Nitish ji’s blessings, Samrat Chaudhary ji and his entire team are carrying this mission forward. In this sequence, development projects worth

thousands of crores of rupees have been inaugurated and launched here today as well. And I have complete faith that wherever my friend Ram Vilas ji's soul may be, he must be showering flowers upon us right now because we are fulfilling his dreams as well.

Friends,

The six-lane cable bridge over the Ganga, connecting Dargah and Bidupur, has been dedicated to the people. This modern bridge has been named "Nitish Setu" in honour of respected Nitish ji. It is a symbol of the respect being shown to him by the people of Bihar for his service and dedication. This bridge has reduced both the distance and difficulties between Patna and Vaishali. It will now become easier to transport crops, fruits, vegetables, milk, and dairy products to larger markets. It will also greatly help the youth in pursuing education and the elderly in accessing medical care.

Friends,

The network of modern roads in Bihar is also expanding rapidly. Today, the Aurangabad-Chordaha six-lane highway has been inaugurated.

Friends,

I am extremely grateful for your affection. I must now proceed to Uttar Pradesh for another programme. Your affection is upon my head and in my heart. I have very little time, so I must complete my remarks today. But I express my gratitude. Today, I was observing the young people present here, and it truly filled my heart with happiness. The youth of my country, the youth of my Bihar, understand completely the importance of development. That is why I can see such enthusiasm and energy among them.

Friends,

Today, foundation stones have also been laid for many highway projects. Hundreds of crores of rupees will be spent on these projects.

Friends,

Along with the road network, the picture of energy and urban development in Bihar is also changing rapidly today. In this direction, major projects such as the construction of the Buxar Thermal Power Plant, the foundation stone of the transmission system for the Pirpainti Thermal Power Plant, and the solar energy project at the Phulwaria Dam have also been undertaken. There was a time when electricity had not reached thousands of villages in Bihar. Today, that same Bihar is steadily becoming a major centre of power generation.

Brothers and sisters,

Today, 100 modern PM e-buses have also been flagged off to make urban transport more convenient. Along with this, under the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana, thousands of poor families have been handed the keys to their permanent homes. I congratulate the people of Bihar for all these development works.

Friends,

Our Bihar has travelled a long journey to reach where it is today. Just remember what conditions were like before the NDA came to power. In those days, discussions revolved around scams. But today, figures of investment flowing into Bihar are presented. Earlier,

discussions centred on crime statistics. Today, discussions revolve around action against criminals. Under NDA governance, one can see competition in development. Whether it is North Bihar, Nalanda-Gaya, Shahabad-Kaimur, or the capital Patna, every region is writing a new chapter of development.

Friends,

The pace of Bihar's development under the double-engine government can be seen from the work undertaken even in the past year. Just look at it. Under the NDA government, investment agreements worth more than ₹2 lakh crore have been signed in Bihar. Work is beginning on a steel project worth ₹6,000 crore in Gaya. A new sugarcane incentive policy has been introduced to revive closed sugar mills, including those in Motihari. An initiative has been launched to install 11,000 new tube wells to ensure water reaches every field. A historic decision has been taken to ensure 12 hours of electricity for irrigation. More than 200 new degree colleges have been started in a single year. Approval has been given for the establishment of the Maa Sita Women's University for our daughters. The list of development initiatives in Bihar is so long that it cannot be fully recounted from a single platform. Bihar's development can only truly be experienced by coming here.

Friends,

When work is done with honest intent, results become visible. In the country where the Congress kept raising slogans of removing poverty for decades, misleading the poor and gathering votes, within just twelve years we have brought 50 crore people out of poverty. This is the result of the government's determination. It is the outcome of the government's welfare schemes for the poor.

Friends,

The country is winning this battle against poverty because we prioritised making the lives of crores of poor people easier and providing them with essential facilities. We provided free food grains to 80 crore people. We gave crores of families permanent homes and a sense of security. By guaranteeing free treatment, we freed people from the burden of expensive healthcare. Through toilets, electricity, and water connections, we enabled crores upon crores of poor citizens to live with dignity. As a result, even the poorest among them developed self-confidence and moved forward after overcoming poverty.

Friends,

Bihar has made a major contribution to the campaign against poverty. In recent years, the double-engine government has worked here with full dedication. The central government designed the schemes, and the NDA government in the state implemented them. Welfare schemes were delivered to every household. Just look at Bihar. Forty-three lakh families have received permanent houses. In August alone, approval was granted for another eleven lakh houses. Thousands of crores of rupees under PM-Kisan Samman Nidhi have been transferred to the accounts of nearly 75 lakh farmers in Bihar. The support provided by the government to self-help groups has enabled 50 lakh rural women here to become Lakhpati Didis. It is the result of such efforts that crores of people in Bihar have come out of poverty, and the country as a whole has achieved this success.

Friends,

Now we neither have to stop nor tire. All NDA constituent parties must continue working together to build a strong, prosperous, and self-reliant Bihar. With this resolve, I once again extend my heartfelt best wishes to all of you for this remarkable journey of development. Thank you all very much!

Bharat Mata Ki Jai.

Bharat Mata Ki Jai.

Bharat Mata Ki Jai.

Thank you very much!

DISCLAIMER: This is the approximate translation of Prime Minister's address. Original address was delivered in Hindi.

****

MJPS/SS/VJ/ST

(Release ID: 2339532) Visitor Counter : 281
Read this release in: Urdu , Urdu , हिन्दी , Manipuri , Bengali , Assamese , Punjabi , Gujarati , Kannada

Share

1355 words | 5 min read