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## Parthala flyover to open next month, says Noida authority

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NOIDA: The Noida authority is preparing to open the Parthala flyover next month, as it must meet the May 31 completion deadline.

Once opened, the flyover on the Parthala intersection on the Faridabad-Noida-Ghaziabad Expressway stretch will provide a seamless ride to thousands of commuters on the Noida-Greater Noida West link road and the expressway, officials said.

"We have completed most of the work on Parthala flyover, and we will add the finishing touches in the next few days. We have a May 31 deadline to complete all minor tasks, including removing the shuttering of the tie beam, painting and brickwork. We are likely to open it to the public in the first week of June," said Shripal Bhati, deputy general manager of the Noida authority.

The authority officials said that the project will be ready for use by May 3I, and they can open it to the public on any day next month.

After the opening, the authority will continue with



The Parthala flyover \in the final stages of work on Monday.

beautification work, officials said.

"After opening this flyover for Greater Noida West, Ghaziabad, Hapur, or local commuters, providing them with a smooth ride, we will focus on beautifying the roundabout under the flyover. We will carry out horticultural work on the

roundabout to enhance its appearance. This can be done while commuters continue to use it," Bhati added.

The authority commenced work on the project on December 24, 2020, with the aim of providing uninterrupted connectivity to commuters traveling between Noida and Greater

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Noida, who currently face traffic congestion at the Parthala intersection.

The authority has constructed a six-lane, 697-metrelong flyover on the Noida-Greater Noida West route, with a budget of ₹ 80.54 crore, to ensure the Parthla Chowk junction becomes free of signals.

The decision to build the flyover was made due to the high volume of motorists, approximately 18,000, on the stretch during peak hours, said authority officials.

A survey conducted by the authority's traffic cell revealed that around 125,000 commuters use the stretch daily, leading to significant congestion at the Parthala Chowk, where the Master Plan-III road meets the Faridabad-Noida-Ghaziabad Expressway.

Residents living in Sectors 121, 122, Garhi Chokhandi, and other nearby areas face daily inconvenience due to thousands of commuters getting stuck in long traffic snarls during peak hours.

Since construction began on this project in 2020, the authority diverted traffic to Garhi Chowkhandi village and sector 121's internal roads, causing problems for users. We used to waste a significant amount of time during peak hours negotiating the traffic in this area due to the diversion. We will breathe a sigh of relief from traffic congestion once this flyover opens for users next month," said Ajay Kumar, a resident of Sector 122 and a daily commuter.