

Assam Guv bats for improved waterways



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Assam [Governor](#) Banwarilal Purohit sought the Centre's assistance in improving and revamping the inland waterways to propel State's development. Calling on Union road transport & highways and shipping minister Nitin [Gadkari](#) yesterday in [New Delhi](#), the [Governor](#) also cited that the mighty [Brahmaputra](#) and [Barak](#) rivers along with their tributaries constitute the life-line of the people of the State.

Giving highest priority to develop [National](#) Highways in Assam and to use it to act [as](#) a force multiplier to the State's development, [Governor](#) Purohit drew the Union minister's attention to the existing road conditions in the State especially in [Barak](#) valley and demanded Centre's immediate intervention.

The [Governor](#) apprised [Gadkari](#) of the prevailing conditions of NHs particularly in [Barak](#) Valley and impressed upon him on how the NHs in the State need an immediate face-lift to act vigorously [as](#) a harbinger of State's economy.

The Union minister told [Governor](#) Purohit that he would visit Assam shortly and hold a meeting with the high [level](#) officials including the State [chief](#) minister and other stake holders to draw a road [map](#) for Centre's intervention for NHs. [Gadkari](#) reiterated his priority to the development of road & waterways in Assam.

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