

# **NHAI Awards Contract for 4-Laning of Nerchowk – Pandoh including Pandoh bypass section in Himachal Pradesh**

The National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) has issued Letter of Award (LOA) for development of National Highway section in Himachal Pradesh under phase IV B of National Highways Development Projects (NHDP).

The details of project are as follows:

<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>NH No.</b>	<b>Section</b>	<b>Length</b>	<b>Total Capital Cost (Crore)</b>	<b>Contractor's name</b>
1	21	4-Laning of Nerchowk – Pandoh section	26 Km	Rs. 1274 crore	M/s KMC Constructions Ltd.

The development of the crucial 26 km long Nerchowk – Pandoh including Pandoh bypass section of the NH-21 will improve the connectivity for travelers from Chandigarh to the valleys of Kullu and Manali. This will improve the transport of the horticulture produce like apples etc. to the markets and also provide better connectivity to local commuters.

The project will have two bypasses (about 8 km long Mandi Bypass and about 5 km long Pandoh Bypass), three Twin Tube 2-Lane Tunnels, 6 Major Bridges, 11 Minor Bridges and 3 Vehicular Under Passes. The project would be executed on EPC mode and scheduled time of completion of the project is 30 months from the date of commencement.

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