

Amarinder seeks PM's help to upgrade state's infrastructure

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The Punjab government has sought an assistance of Rs 2,145 crore from Union government for various projects and programmes in the towns and cities associated with Guru Nanak Dev.

The state government has sought these funds from Union government through a letter written to Prime Minister (PM) Narendra Modi, to commemorate first Sikh Guru's 550th birth anniversary.

In a letter to PM, Amarinder Singh suggested that a National Organizing Committee, under the Chairmanship of the PM, be constituted to oversee the celebrations of this historic event

Punjab chief minister Capt. Amarinder Singh has sought an assistance of ₹2,145.31 crore from the government of India for undertaking various infrastructural projects and special programmes in towns and cities associated with the first Sikh Guru

across the country.

The CM, who will be personally meeting the prime minister soon to discuss this issue, said that while a year-long calendar of events

was being prepared for organising commemorative events across various states, the primary focus of the celebrations will be at places like Sultanpur Lodhi (Kapurthala), Dera Baba Nanak and Batala (Gurdaspur) that have had a deep association with the first Guru of the Sikhs.

Amarinder Singh, said that towns of Sultanpur Lodhi, Dera Baba Nanak, Batala and Guruharsahai, will be taken up for special infrastructural development as towns of religious and historical importance.

He urged the PM that besides this, the Central government should also dedicate certain special projects in Punjab to commemorate the historic event.