

projects coming up and this has been spurring opportunities across sectors.

Dr Nalin Gupta, Managing Director, J Kumar Infraprojects, sees a great boom in the infrastructure. He attributes this to the National Infrastructure Pipeline (NIP), and the government's focus on infusing about ₹111 trillion into the infrastructure segment. "While infrastructure projects offer great facilities and convenience for the citizens of the country, even companies like ours, in this segment, have been witnessing good top-lines and bottom-lines. And, this is the time for us to see good growth."

As **SV Desai, Director and Senior Vice President-Infrastructure,**



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L&T, lists, "One is the multimodal transport by Mumbai Metro Regional Development Authority (MMRDA), the Alibaug-Virar road project by Maharashtra State Road Development Corporation (MSRDC), and the Thane-Borivali tunnel."

Likewise, in Phase-II development, he adds, "The Versova-Virar bridge is another large project after the Mumbai Trans-Harbour Link. While the outlay is good for the growth of Maharashtra, nationwide too, high-speed rail is on the cards. All these projects definitely propel the economy of the country."

Sharing his experiences, **Captain BVJK Sharma, CEO, Navi Mumbai International Airport,** states, "We were fortunate to have L&T already onboard as the construction agency and we hit the ground running. We expect to



Captain BVJK Sharma

complete the airport by December 2024 and cater to both domestic and international passengers, and moreover the passenger handling capacity will escalate from 60 million to 90 million annually."

Observing numerous opportunities in the ports sector is **Devdutta Bose, Marketing & Business Strategy - Ports and Maritime, Tata Consulting Engineers.** He lists, "The major ports, brownfield projects, expansion projects, greenfield ports and the inland waterways. Overall, Gati Shakti is also going to integrate and bring seamless among these projects."

Specific to warehousing, for the last 10 years, the sector has ranked at the top of investments for foreign funds. E-commerce and organised logistics are growing in the country and the demand for agro products has been on a rise. This is where **Shantanu Bhadkamkar, Managing Director, ATC Global Logistics,** sees a big demand for advanced warehousing systems. "High-end warehousing will have at least a double-digit growth rate and attract Indian and foreign investments."



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Government spending on infrastructure development boosts the nation's economy and growth.

Is there a derail?

Back in time, several large and