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## Ram Temple Consecration: States that Declared a Holiday | Uttar Pradesh | 24 Jan 2024

### Why in News?

To commemorate the [consecration ceremony of the Ram Temple](#) in Ayodhya on January 22, several **States declared a public holiday**, or gave a **half day off to Government employees**.

### Key Points

- All **Central government offices remained shut till 2.30 p.m.** Several **States** also declared **January 22 as a 'dry day'**.
- Central government establishments, [Public Sector Banks](#), insurance companies, financial institutions and [Regional Rural Banks \(RRBs\)](#) across the country remained closed for a half day.
- **Central educational institutes** such as Jamia Millia Islamia and its schools along with Delhi University also remained closed for half day till 2.30 p.m.
- [National Stock Exchange \(NSE\)](#) and **Bombay Stock Exchange (BSE)** also observed a trading holiday on January 22.

### Ayodhya Ram Temple

- The **3-storey temple, built in the traditional Nagara style.**
- **Makrana Marble and Pink sandstone, granite stone, and colored Marble** are used in the construction.
- **Iron has not been used** anywhere in the construction.
- The **main Garbh Griha holds the idols of Ram Lalla**, accompanied by multiple mandaps, including Rang Mandap & Nritya Mandap.

### National Stock Exchange

- The National Stock Exchange of India Limited (NSE) is **India's largest financial market.**
- **Incorporated in 1992**, the NSE has developed into a sophisticated, electronic market, which ranked fourth in the world by equity trading volume.
- NSE was the **first exchange in India to provide modern, fully automated electronic trading.**
  - The NSE is the **largest private wide-area network in India.**
- The **NIFTY 50 is the flagship index on the National Stock Exchange of India Ltd. (NSE).**

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## Uttar Pradesh Approves Rs 16,000 Crore for Rapid Rail Corridor | Uttar Pradesh | 24 Jan 2024

## Why in News?

The Uttar Pradesh government has approved a **Rs 16,000 crore rapid rail corridor project**, aimed at seamlessly **connecting multiple airports in the region**.

- The **National Capital Region Transport Corporation (NCRTC)** is preparing a detailed project report for this corridor, expected to be finalized by March 2024.

## Key Points

- Once initiated, the project, with an estimated completion time of four years, **will link two major airports and various parts of Delhi**.
- This is expected to help the upcoming **Noida airport** to capture the overflow of passenger traffic from the Delhi Airport.
- The proposed Noida airport link will stem from the **Ghaziabad station, acting as an interchange point** for the Delhi Meerut Rapid Rail Transport.
- Passengers will also have the **option to connect to the in-progress Delhi-Alwar Rapid Rail through Sarai Kale Khan**, the starting station of the **Delhi-Meerut Rail**.
- The Delhi-Alwar rail, expected to conclude by mid-2025, will **include a station at Indira Gandhi International Airport and Aerocity**.
- Noida airport authorities are also working on developing other public transportation modes, including high-speed bus corridors, to establish a comprehensive **multi-modal transport connectivity network with Delhi and Gurgaon**.

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## BHISHM Cube in Ayodhya | Uttar Pradesh | 24 Jan 2024

### Why in News?

Recently, the **BHISHM (Bharat Health Initiative for Sahyog, Hita and Maitri) Cube**, a state-of-the-art **indigenous mobile hospital**, was deployed in Ayodhya. It is part of **Project Arogya Maitri**.

- It emerged as a crucial lifesaver during a **medical emergency** at the Ram Mandir inauguration in Ayodhya.

### Key Points

- The Arogya Maitri project involves India supplying vital medical resources to any **developing nation facing the impact of natural disasters or humanitarian crises**.
- BHISHM cube is tailored to treat up to 200 casualties, emphasizing rapid response and comprehensive care.
  - The Aid Cube is **equipped with several innovative tools** designed to enhance disaster response and medical support during emergencies.
- It integrates **Artificial Intelligence (AI) and data analytics to facilitate effective coordination**, real-time monitoring, and efficient management of medical services in the field.
- The success of BHISHM Cube underscores the importance of **mobile hospital units in delivering immediate and effective medical assistance during emergencies**.