

Uttar Pradesh Approves Rs 16,000 Crore for Rapid Rail Corridor

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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