



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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