

Rail Budget 2014

Key Highlights



1. Proposal to start Bullet trains on Mumbai—Ahmedabad route. Speed of important trains will be also raised
2. Foot over bridges, escalators and lifts at major railway stations through PPP.
3. Battery Operated cars for differently abled at all major stations
4. Food Courts at major stations.
5. Pre-booked ready to eat meals of top brands.
6. Separate housekeeping wing at 50 major stations
7. CCTV to monitor cleanliness activities.
8. Mechanized laundry will be introduced.
9. Dedicated freight corridor on Eastern and Western corridors.
10. 5400 unmanned level crossing to be removed.
11. Tourist trains to be introduced to link all major places of tourist interests across the country.
12. 4,000 women constables to be recruited to ensure safety of women. 17,000 RPF constables to provide safety to passengers.
13. Setting up of Railway University for technical and non-technical study.
14. Ultrasonic system to detect problem in track.
15. Diamond Quadrilateral project of high speed trains to connect all major metros.
16. E-ticketing system to be improved. Future e-ticketing to support 7200 tickets per minute & to allow 120,000 simultaneous users
17. Wifi in A1 and A category stations and in select trains. Internet-based platform and unreserved tickets.
18. GIS mapping and digitization of Railway Land. Extension of logistics support to various e-Commerce Companies.
19. Bulk of future projects will be financed through PPP mode.
20. Facilitate transport of milk through rail. Special milk transportation trains in association with Amul and National Dairy Association Board.
21. One ticket to reach from Delhi to Srinagar. Uddhampur to Banihal by bus and Banihal to Srinagar by train.
22. Mumbai local to get 860 new, state-of-the art coaches. 64 new EMUs to be introduced.

Key Highlights to Rail Budget 2014 contd..



23. Train connectivity to Char Dham.
24. Ready-to-eat meals to be introduced in phased manners.
25. 27 Express trains to be introduced.
26. 5 Jansadharan , 5 Premium AC trains to be introduced.
27. Paperless office of Indian railways in 5 years. Digital reservation
28. Will introduce RO drinking water in trains and on stations
29. Severe action to be taken against vendors delivering unhygienic food, including cancellation of contracts
30. Bio-toilets in trains to be increased to mitigate direct discharge of human waste on tracks and platform
31. Ticket bookings through post offices and mobile phones will be popularized, also coin operated ticket machines
32. Efforts will be made to increase speed of trains to 160-200, on select sectors
33. 17,000 Railway Protection Force personnel to be available soon
34. E-procurement will be made compulsory for purchase of 25 lakh and more
35. Solar energy to be harnessed through PPP by utilizing rooftop spaces of stations and railway buildings
36. Hospital Management Information System to integrate all railway health units and hospitals
37. Ladies' coaches to be escorted by women RPF constables; additional care for ladies travelling alone
38. 29 rail projects in Andhra Pradesh and Telangana with Rs. 20,680 crores will be completed
39. Bangalore to get Suburban Rails
40. Indian Railways spent Rs. 41000 crore on laying 3700 km of new lines in last 10 years.
41. Loss per passenger per kilometre up from 10 paise (in 2001) to 23 paise (2012-13)
42. Railways to scale down market borrowings to Rs. 11790 Crores
43. Recent fare and tariff hike to mop additional revenue of about Rs. 8000 Crores
44. Gross Traffic receipts in 2014-15 estimated at Rs. 164374 expenditure Rs. 149176 Crore. A 12.9% growth expected in traffic receipt.
45. FDI in railway projects except in operations to be attracted.

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