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Mathura to become safer with new police initiative

In an effort to provide safety to the visitors and the pilgrims, a public relation office has been opened in all the police stations of the Mathura district. Millions of pilgrims and tourists will be benefitted from this initiative in upcoming festive season of the Jhulanotsava, Shri Krishna Janmashtami and Shri Radhashtami.

According to Shri Babloo Kumar, the Senior Superintendent of Police, "A Public Relation Officer (PRO) with one sub – inspector and one head constable as its in-charge has now been opened in every police station, in order to ensure

registration of FIR and disposal of complaints at police station within 24 hours."

"Accountability has been fixed at the level of the police station, which resulted in disposing off 1000 complaints within 20 days," added Shri Kumar.

The Station House Officer will investigate the complaints in 48 hours for speedy redressal. The concept to open a PRO in all police stations developed after the success of a traffic plan launched to assist the visiting pilgrims to reach the temples of the city.

Temple prasad from Braj delivery program announced by India Post

The Indian postal department, after delivering gangajal to people, will now also deliver Prasad from Bankey Bihari, Radharani temple in Barsana, Dwarkadeesh, Krishna Janmasthan and other temples to your doorstep. For now, a pilot project has been launched and Prasad is being delivered to people in western Uttar Pradesh and NCR. If this pilot is successful, then the main project will be launched soon.

The post master general has said that this service of Prasad delivery will be available from six temples and once launched the

orders will be taken both online and on phone. For the initial phase, the service will be available in Mathura, Agra, Mainpur, Jhansi, Aligarh, Bulandshaher and Etah and of course Delhi. Same day delivery will be available in Agra and Mathura and 24 hours delivery will be available everywhere else.

Meanwhile, free wifi services have been launched at Krishna Janmasthan and Dwarkadeesh temples. Another month later free wifi services will also be available at the Bankey Bihari Temple.

Talgo train between Mathura and Palwal



The Talgo train is a lightweight and bullet style train that has been built by a Spanish firm. This train is set to run between Mathura and Palwal. During the second test run of the train, the speed reached was 180 kilometres per hour. At this speed the train has been able to cover a distance of 86 kilometres in just 39 minutes.

This is not all though. This was just a trial. It has been said that the train, when finally launched, will run at a speed of 220 kilometres per hour.

At this rate, the distance between Mathura and Palwal will be covered in an even shorter period of time. Earlier on, Gatimaan Express, an Indian train held the record of being the fastest train at 160 kilometres per hour but the Talgo has shattered that record for good.



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The Tirupati Balaji temple in Vrindavan

Braj bhoomi, the holy city of Radha and Krishna, is said to have more than 5,000 temples associated with the pastimes of the Lord. By the mercy of Krishna, almost every deity worshiped in India can be found in Vrindavan, including Tirupati Balaji, a form of Vishnu worshiped in South India.

The little Tirupati Balaji Vrindavan known temple, named the "Uttara Tirupati Balaji" is located right on the Parikrama Marg in the Raman Reti area of Vrindavan. The temple is especially famous within the Russian community visiting and living in Vrindavan. The temple is only a bit more than 10 years old and is built in the architectural style of south Indian temples. The deity also has the exact same form as Balaji in the Tirumala Tirupati temple, Andhra Pradesh. But unlike the temple in Tirupati, the one in Vrindavan has all eight forms of Laxmi embedded on his body.

The eight forms of Laxmi are:

Adi Laxmi (ancient form of Laxmi as daughter of sage Bhrigu), Dhan Laxmi (Goddess of wealth), Dhanya Laxmi (Goddess of crop), Dhariya Laxmi



(Goddess of courage), Santaan Laxmi (Goddess of heredity), Gaja Laxmi (Goddess of animal wealth), Vijaya Laxmi (Goddess of victory) and Vidya Laxmi (Goddess of knowledge).

These representations are embedded on Lord Balaji's head, sides, shoulders, hands, chest and stomach. Generally they are kept hidden, but devotees can see them during abhishek every Friday morning. The grand abhishek of the Lord Balaji reflects the temple culture of the Ramanuj tradition in South India and is done with milk, curd, honey, fruits, tender coconut, turmeric and sandal.

The temple also has a smaller Utsav Moorti, Sandoori, which is installed in the temple along with the goddesses Sri Devi and Bhu Devi. Other deities on the altar include Lord Sudarshan and Garuda, as well as a number of large Shalagams from Muktinath.

On the temple parikrama one can find a number of small shrines to the goddess Padmavati, Mahalaxmi, Lord Venugopalan, Andal (a form of Radharani), and of course Lord Ram with Sita, Lakshman and Hanuman.

The temple is run and maintained by the Srirangam Srimath Andavan Ashram, an ashram located in the Srirangam District of Tamil Nadu. The branches of the ashram are spread all across the world to serve the devotees of Lord Balaji.

The present head of the ashram, Ranga Ramanuja Mahadesikan Yathi, who is generally known as Guruji amongst his devotees, is more than 82 years old and has been serving the cause for the past 25 years. He is the 11th Acharya of the ashram, and a master in many branches of the arts and Vedic literature and

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Lord Jagannath's procession in Vrindavan on the occasion of Rath Yatra

In the News

Building 700ft Vrindavan temple: A mix of faiths, expertise and nationalities

Source: Vrindavan Today <http://news.vrindavantoday.org>

The Chandrodaya Temple being built in Vrindavan is a tall order. At 700ft, the temple will be three times the height of Delhi's Qutub Minar. But what is more unique about the project is that the temple is being constructed – both in terms of funding and logistical support – by people of several faiths and nationalities.

A project by Bengaluru devotees of the International Society for Krishna Consciousness (ISKCON), the temple is being worked on by 25 specialist consultants from across the world. The core architectural team itself comprises of people from different faiths.

Jagminder Singh, a Sikh, leads the principal architect's team, while Misam Imam heads the structural design team. Chris Meering, a Christian, is in-charge of the team handling vertical transport.

"Srila Prabhupada, while beginning the ISKCON movement in 1965, made clear that this was for an international society comprising of all castes, creeds, religions, nationalities and beyond boundaries. With this ideology, the temple at Vrindavan is coming up and is open for all," said Suvyakta Narasimha Das, the senior vice-president and project director.

Explaining further, he said Krishna had never meant the message of Bhagavad Gita only for Hindus, and was for everyone who believed.

"This has been the driving spirit of ISKCON... (which is why) even in the construction of the temple, people from all faith including Muslim, Hindu, Christian or Sikh are involved and this makes it a structure of international acceptance," he added.

Planned at a cost Rs 700 crore, the temple will have four halls – one for Acharya Srila Prabhupada, the founder of ISKCON, one for Chaitanya Mahaprabhu and Nityananda Prabhu, one for Radha Krishna and the Ashta Sakhis, and one for Sri Krishna Balaram, Das said. A devotee will have to walk 1.2 kilometer to reach the room for 'darshan'.

"Once constructed, it will be the tallest and largest religious structure in India covering an area of 5 acres. Piling work



will continue till next Holi after which the work for raising the tower will begin," the project director said.

The temple's foundation stone was laid by chief minister Akhilesh Yadav in March 2014. Later that October, President Pranab Mukherjee visited the site for the Ananth Sesh Sthapna poojan. Work for the temple finally began in 2015, with the deadline set for 2022.

However, working with such a diverse collection of experts on such a colossal project has many challenges. Not the least is adhering to local aspirations.

"We are done with the concept phase and are now working on schematic details with focus on durability of the structure over several centuries," the Misam Imam said. As head of structural design, he says the trick is in figuring out solutions based on materials available in India.

"Another challenge is to work with people who view it spiritually," he added. One way around building a 700ft structure is to build it in components and then put it together. "It is more of an assembled structure, hence all features are to be incorporated and ideas from 25 different specialist consultants are being clubbed for better results," said Singh, the principal architect who has been part of the project since day one.

Much like Misam Imam noted, for Singh, the project is more spiritual than religious. "The project's spiritual association reflects lot of energy and is a memorable experience for me."

Apart from the main temple structure, the compound will be surrounded by verdant forests, clear water lakes, waterfalls from hillocks – all recreated from descriptions in the Srimad Bhagvatam, Das said. Other attractions will include a Yamuna Creek, Bhagvad Gita Expo and a Krishna Heritage Museum.

Architecturally, a capsule elevator is being included within the core temple structure that will take visitors through different planetary systems in the universe as it rises. The experience will be enhanced with sound, light and dioramas. Once at the top, one will get a spectacular view of Braj Mandal.

Touted as the first LEED Gold certified temple building, it is being designed to have minimum radiative heating of the internal environment. The structural design for this has been given to M/s Thornton Tomasetti, led by Leonard Joseph who is presently designing the Kingdom Tower at Jeddah, the world's tallest upcoming structure. The fire safety system is being put in place by Sunil Sahani, who designed a similar system for the Burj Khalifa.

Given its height, the temple structure is being designed to withstand an ultimate wind load of 226 kilometer/hour. It is also being designed to withstand intense earthquake tremors. The worst earthquake Mathura faced was on September 1, 1803, which measuring 6.8 on the Richter Scale. Once completed, the temple should be able to withstand almost twice that intensity.

Big increase in annual development funds for Mathura district

MLA Durga Prasad Yadav and Minister in charge for the urban development plan of Mathura have approved a budget of 275.81 crores for the development of the Mathura district. However, last year only 8.95% of the allotted amount was actually released for development purposes. So it remains to be seen as to how much of the allotted amount will be released by the Planning and development board this year.

In a meeting held at the city collectorate office, Durga Prasad Yadav disclosed that out of the total amount, 63 crores, 63 lacs and 40 thousand rupees has actually been donated by the Central government. He also said that the amount allotted this

year is 92 lacs higher than the amount that had been allotted for the same purpose last year. The district magistrate said that the entire amount will be used this time as per the requirements of the development plans that are already in the pipeline and others that have already been approved.

There is a plan to make photos and a brief of the development work done in the previous years public as per the demand of several NGOs and social welfare organizations. Chief development officer Manish Kumar Verma and SSP Babloo Kumar were also a part of the meeting that was held in the conference room of the city collectorate office.

Number of foreign pilgrims to Braj triples since 2012

The efforts by successive governments to attract pilgrims and tourists to Braj-Vrindavan has been having results, if the numbers are to be believed.

According to figures released by the local Tourism Department, the number of pilgrims coming from abroad has soared, more than tripling over the past three years.

In 2012, a total of 13.1 million pilgrims arrived in Mathura, of which only around 29 thousand were from outside India.

In 2013, there was an incredible increase of pilgrim numbers to 32 million. The number of foreigners nearly doubled to 55,560. Those numbers remained steady

in 2014, but 2015 again saw a marked increase. Total numbers came to nearly 45 million, and the foreign visitor component grew to 89,720.

Mathura District Tourism Officer Anupam Srivastava expressed pleasure at the rapidly increasing number of pilgrims visiting. He said, "The places related to Lord Krishna's leelas as well as the world famous celebrations like Holi and Janmashtami are the prime attractions.

This shows the success of efforts by succeeding state and center governments to attract people to the area. Our department is endeavoring to keep these numbers growing."

Mathura Police up-to-date on social media

Mathura Police is using social media these days to inform the public about the good deed by the Police department, in an effort to improve the public image. The Police department is using Twitter account by the name "Mathura Police" to keep the general public in loop of the recent development by the department.

After SSP Babloo Kumar replaced SP Rakesh Singh in the office, the Mathura Police department has been very active on the social media. Every day's work along with reports and information are passed to the senior officers and general public using the Twitter account. The department is also using the account to share information among them. General public is also using social media to inform Police of any mis-happening in the city.

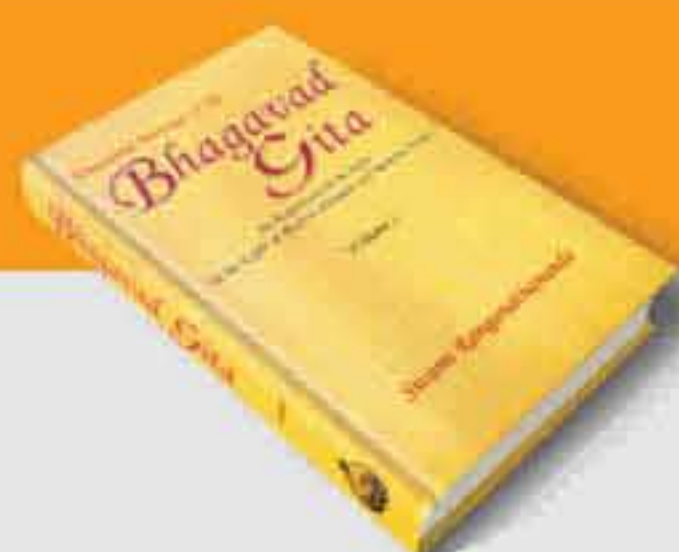
The twitter account of Mathura Police is also following high rank Police officers and bureaucrats to inform them about the daily tasks as well as important information. Some recent posts have shows SSP Babloo Srivastava wishing recently promoted Girish Chandra and Rajesh Kumar. They were promoted to the rank of Sub-inspector recently. Some posts show SSP inspecting the security on the national highway.

From the Bhagwad Gita

देहिनोऽसिम्न्यथा देहे कौमारं यौवनं ।
तथा देहान्तरप्राप्तिधीरस्तत्र न मुह्यति ।।१३

"Just as in this body there is childhood, youth and old age to an embodied soul, so there is obtainment of another body to that soul after death. An intelligent person is not bewildered by that."

Bhagavad Gita : Chapter II (Sankhyayoga) Stanza 13



Watch out!

15th August : Independence Day
18th August : Raksha Bandhan
23rd August : Balaram Jayanti
25th August : Janmashtami
1st September : Surya Grahan

Krishna Bhumi participated in the recently held Cold Store Association National Seminar, Agra



An evening dedicated to Lord Krishna - Krishna Bhumi organises Sankeertan on the occasion of VAT Poornima at Kanpur



Team Krishna Bhumi's cleaning drive in Vrindavan:

Team Krishna Bhumi has engaged two NGO's - Anurag Vrindavan and Friends of Vrindavan to take care of the cleanliness of the streets of Vrindavan. The workers belonging to these two non-governmental organisation take turns in cleaning the entire Chhatikara Road, up until Prem Mandir.



Krishna Bhumi acknowledged by Times Group as BRAND ICON 2016 in real estate category



In an endeavour to acknowledge people and organisations playing instrumental roles in accelerating region's growth Times Group, acknowledged Krishna Bhumi as "Brand Icons 2016" in the Real Estate Sector.

Chief Marketing Officer of Krishna Bhumi Mr. Ravee Shankar, was felicitated by the Times Group on this occasion.



Construction update



A10 mumty slab RCC completed



AAC Block work in progress in A6 mumty



Block work in progress in A7 villa mumty



E(3BHK) Tower (T10 E02 & T11E01)
Foundation PCC completed



Waterproofing curing work in progress
in A1 villa



E(3BHK) Tower (T10 E02 & T11E01)
Excavation work in progress



G(Studio) Tower (T1G01) Column &
Sheer wall layout work in progress



D(3 BHK) Tower (T9D01) Column &
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Retaining wall reinforcement
work in progress



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