

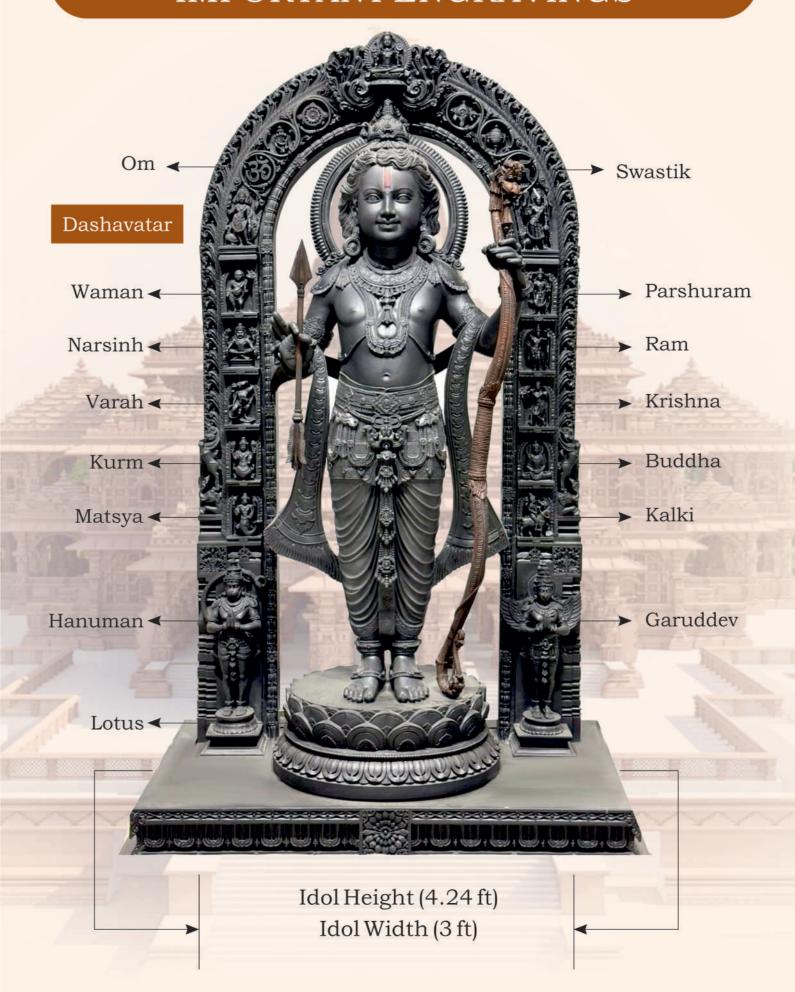
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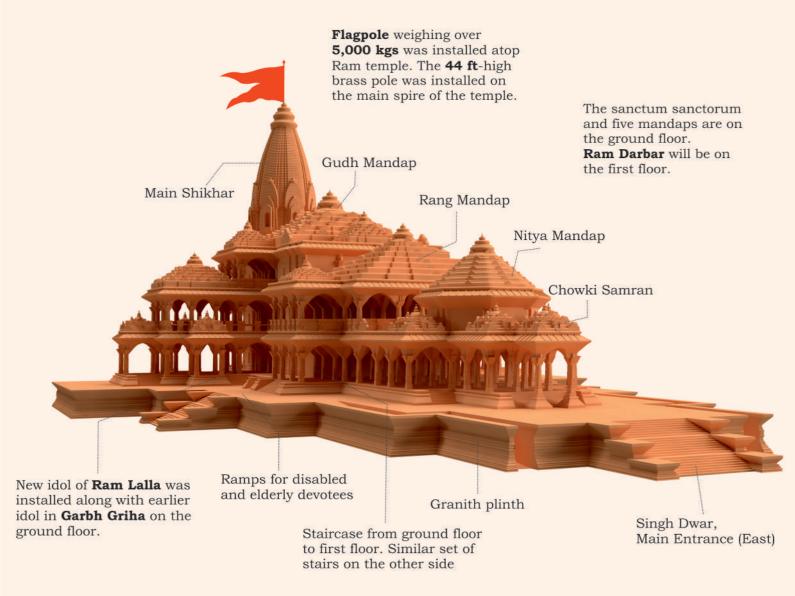


From Dreams to Reality Ram Mandir, a Monument of Devotion.

# IDOLOF RAM LALLA WITH IMPORTANT ENGRAVINGS



## VISUAL GUIDE TO THE RAM MANDIR



### FACTS IN FIGURES

Estimated cost

1,800 cr

Area of overall temple complex

71 acre

Area of main temple

2.67 acres

No of floors

Ground+2

Total width Total height

250 ft | 161 ft

Total length of the temple 380 ft

No. of pillars

390

No. of doorways

46

Floor to ceiling height of each floor in temple

18'11"

Distance from which a devotee can have darshan

35 ft

### **PARKOTA**

The temple is surrounded by a rectangular parikrama called Parkota. Four temples stand on the periphery of the Parkota, of Goddess Bhagwati, Lord Shiva, Lord Surya & Lord Ganesha. A temple to Lord Hanuman is on the southern arm and one to Maa Annapurna on the northern arm



Total length of Parkota
732 metres

Total estimated quantity of Bansi-Paharpur red sandstone 8 Lakh cubic feet

Width of pathway for devotees

14 ft

### NO IRON USED FOR CONSTRUCTION

The 3-storey Mandir is built in the traditional Nagara style Pink sandstone from Mirzapur and the hills of Bansi-Paharpur area in Bharatpur district of Rajasthan has been used in the construction of the temple In the main Garbh Griha (sanctum sanctorum, photo below), there are idols of Ram Lalla. The temple also has multiple mandaps, including Rang Mandap & Nritya Mandap.



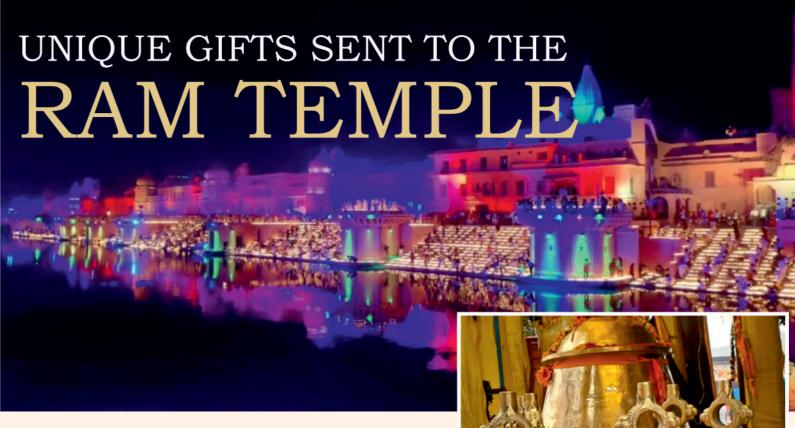
Devotees will enter the temple after climbing 34 steps, scaling a height of 16.11 ft from the ground before entering through Singh Dwar. There are ramps and lifts for disabled and elderly persons. Mandir complex will also have temples dedicated to Maharshi Valmiki, Maharshi Vashishtha, Maharshi Vishwamitra, Maharshi Agastya, Nishad Raj, Mata Shabri, among others, in subsequent phases.



For protection against ground moisture, a 21ft-high plinth has been constructed using granite A Pilgrim Facility Centre (PFC) with a capacity of 25,000 people is being constructed. It will provide medical & locker facilities to pilgrims.

### 'SURYA-TILAK' FOR RAM LALLA

At 12 noon on every Ram Navami, a system of mirrors and lenses will focus the rays of the Sun on the forehead of Ram Lalla's idol. The first such anointment by Sunrays will occur on Ram Navami on March 29. This mechanical system requires no electricity or battery and uses brass instead of iron or steel.



The Ram Temple at Ayodhya was consecrated on January 22, 2024, which has created a festive atmosphere across the country.

While not everyone was able to be present at the consecration on January 22, but the people were trying to be a part of the celebration in whatever way possible.

One such way is by way of sending some special gifts ahead of the consecration of the Ram Temple. Let us find out about some of

these special and unique gifts that the people from around the country and the world are sending to Ayodhya.

Gujarat Chief Minister Bhupendra Patel flagged off a 44-foot-long brass flag pole and other smaller six flag poles in Ahmedabad last week for the "pran pratistha" ceremony.

Gujarat has also sent a nagaru (temple drum) crafted by the All India Dabgar Samaj in Dariyapur. The 56-inch nagaru made of gold foil will be installed in the courtyard of the temple.

Satya Prakash Sharma, a locksmith from Aligarh in Uttar Pradesh, has prepared a lock and key weighing 400 kg with 10 feet height, 4.6 feet width and 9.5 inches thickness. "This is the world's largest lock and key. I have gifted it to the trust so it can be used as a symbolic lock at the temple."

A bell weighing 2,100 kg made of 'ashtadhatu' (an alloy of eight metals) has been prepared in Etah's Jalesar in Uttar Pradesh. "It took two years to prepare the bell. The bell is being sent to Ayodhya after performing all rituals and with pomp and show," said an artisan involved in preparing the bell.



A Lucknow-based vegetable vendor has specially designed a clock that denotes the time in eight countries at the same time. Anil Kumar Sahu (52) said he gifted the clock measuring 75 cm in diameter to Champat Rai, the general secretary of the temple trust. Mr Sahu said that he first made the clock in 2018, and it was given the 'certificate of registration of design' by the Patent Office, Government of India. The clock denotes the time of India, Tokyo (Japan), Moscow (Russia), Dubai (UAE), Beijing (China), Singapore, Mexico City (Mexico), Washington DC and New York (US).

Chef Vishnu Manohar, who is based in Nagpur, has announced that he will prepare 7,000 kg of "Ram Halwa", a traditional sweet dish, for the devotees who will attend the consecration ceremony.

The Shri Krishna Janmasthan Seva Sansthan in Mathura is preparing to send 200 kilograms of laddu to Ayodhya as an offering for a 'yagya'.

The Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams (TTD), the official custodian of Sri Venkateswara temple in Tirupati, has also announced it will send one lakh laddus for distribution to devotees on the big day.

A special saree prepared in Gujarat's Surat city, a major textile hub of the country, will be sent to the temple authorities.

The saree, with pictures of Lord Ram and the Ayodhya temple printed on it, is meant for Lord Ram's wife Sita, reverentially known as Ma Janaki, and the first piece was offered to a temple in Surat on Sunday.

A diamond merchant from Surat has made a necklace on the theme of the Ram temple using 5,000 American diamonds and 2 kg silver. Forty artisans completed the design in 35 days and the necklace has been gifted to the Ram Mandir trust.

With an unwavering devotion towards Lord Ram and a desire to fulfil his 'kar sevak' father's dream, 64-year-old Challa Srinivas Sastry from Hyderabad has reached Ayodhya on foot, covering a distance of nearly 8,000 km, to present gold-plated footwear for the lord.





Arvindbhai Mangalbhai Patel, a farmer residing in Vadodara, has crafted a giant lamp weighing 1,100 kg.

More than 3,000 gifts for Lord Ram from Sita's birthplace in Janakpur in Nepal have arrived in Ayodhya. The gifts, including silver shoes, ornaments and clothes, were transported in a convoy of around 30 vehicles from the Janakpur Dham Ramjanaki Temple in Nepal to Ayodhya this week.



A Sri Lankan delegation also visited Ayodhya with a special gift from the Ashok Vatika. The delegation presented a rock from the Ashok Vatika, a garden mentioned in the epic Ramayana where Ravan captivated Sita.

The Mahavir Temple Trust in Patna has reportedly announced gift of a gold bow and arrow to the Ram Mandir, symbolising the sacred connection between Mithila and Ayodhya. Moreover, the trust is also said to have contributed ₹10 crore to the construction of the temple.





A 108-foot-long incense stick, weighing 3,610 kg and almost 3.5 feet wide, as prepared in Gujarat's Vadodara

over six months. "The stick is environmentally friendly and will last for about one-and-a-half months, spreading its fragrance over several kilometers," Vadodara resident Viha Bharwad, who has prepared the incense stick said adding that 376 kg guggul (gum resin), 376 kg coconut shells, 190 kg ghee, 1,470 kg cow dung, 420 kg herbs are among the ingredients used for the stick, whose height is nearly half of the iconic Qutab Minar in Delhi.





# Atal Setu is now India's longest sea bridge and will connect the island city and the mainland of the country. With a 16.5 km stretch over water, Atal Setu will also be one of the longest in the world.

Dedicated to the nation in the memory of visionary former Vajpayee, Atal Setu is now will also be one of the longest in the world.

# India's longest sea bridge

This game changing project will facilitate development in the eastern areas of Mumbai South Mumbai tunnels), western coast (by having a Sewri Worli Connector) and eastern Extension). The project will also provide ease of travel to the under construction Navi Mumbai International Airport.

The sea link will reduce the travel time between Mumbai and Pune as well, once Atal Setu Expressway Connector is ready. With projected annual savings of one crore litres of fuel a year and 25,680 million tons of CO2 emissions, it will have a capacity to handle over a lakh vehicles a day. Right from the day this bridge was first thought about until now, the world has witnessed several waves of new technologies getting introduced. The idea of a cross harbour bridge for Mumbai has been around since the early 1970s. A 1972 government committee proposed a bridge from Colaba to Uran that was opposed by naval and port authorities. In 1981, a steering group headed by JRD Tata recommended the Sewri Nhava Sheva route. By 1984, a final alignment had been approved by the Prime Minister's Office, but the plan when another review was

It was only in 2004 that the first effort was made to get the project off the ground with a proposal from the state-funded IL & FS. A call for bids the following year brought more players to the table, only to be discarded later as "unrealistic". In 2013, another unsuccessful attempt was made when the Mumbai Metropolitan Region Development Authority received single bid from a pre-qualified consortium.

Eventually, the bridge received the crucial push only after 2014. The ground breaking ceremony was done on December 24, 2016, the crucial environment clearances were secured in on priority and construction work began in April 2018. In less than six years, India's longest sea bridge has been made into a reality and is designed to last over a century.







### **BIRTHDAYS**

05th	Sanjay Menon	Nashik
07th	Biju Thomas	Hyderabad
09th	Bhiva Khandekar	Mumbai
13th	Rajesh Pal	Ahmedabad
15th	Ameya Randive	PCL
16th	Rekha Chaudhary	Delhi
16th	Meghali Kadam	Corporate
20th	Amol Baad	Mumbai
28th	Sineesh S. G	Kochi

#### NEW ADDITIONS TO THE FEI FAMILY

Tejaswini B.V	Bangalore
Shamal Joshi	Corporate
Aloysius Basil Lawrence	Mumbai
Calista Leanne Thomas Rodrigues	Mumbai
Dhirendra Bhujade	Mumbai
Vinayak Vasudev Shetty	Mumbai
Rinkita Chavan	PCL

### WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

01st	Pavithra. N	Chennai
03rd	Nikhil Parmar	Ahmedabad
09th	D. Jagadeesan	Chennai
12th	Sandeep Sawool	Mumbai
12th	R. Murugesan	Tirupur
15th	Sanjay Sawant	Mumbai
18th	Sushant Kadam	Corporate
21st	Salman Nizam Khan	PCL
22nd	Avaneesh Rai	Mumbai
22nd	Lakhai Sardar	Kolkata
23rd	Narendra Waigankar	Mumbai
24th	R. Ramesh	Chennai
25th	Manjunatha S.R.	Bangalore
26th	Sunil Joshi	Ahmedabad
26th	Om Parkash Yadav	Delhi



#### A NEW JOURNEY OF LOVE AND COMPANIONSHIP BEGINS

Mr. Stebin Davis (Corporate) tied the knot with Mrs. Likhina

#### CELEBRATIONS FOR THE MONTH

Date	Celebrating	
10th (Saturday)	Second Saturday	
14th (Wednesday)	Vasant Panchami	

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