



## ₹90,000 Crore Rail Infra Projects under Execution as Odisha Witnesses Unprecedented Expansion in Network Capacity and Execution Speed: Shri Ashwini Vaishnaw

**Railway Minister Reviews Bhubaneswar Station Redevelopment with Focus on Timely Completion and Enhanced Passenger Comfort**

**Record ₹10,928 Crore Budget Allocation Fuels Fast-Track Execution; 59 Stations Under Amrit Bharat Scheme Enter Modernisation Phase**

**Odisha Rail Network Expansion Targets All 30 Districts Driving Inclusive Growth: Union Minister Sh. Vaishnaw**

**Coastal Mega Corridor to Redefine Capacity: Balasore–Berhampur 4-Line Project Set to Unlock High-Speed Freight & Passenger Movement**

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During the groundbreaking ceremony of India's first advanced 3D glass semiconductor packaging unit in Bhubaneswar, Union Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw underlined the rapid transformation of railway infrastructure in Odisha, emphasizing the government's strong focus on connectivity and capacity enhancement across the state.

### **₹90,000 Crore Worth Railway Projects Under Execution**

Shri Vaishnaw informed that railway projects worth over ₹90,000 crore are currently under execution in Odisha, marking an unprecedented expansion of the rail network.

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He highlighted that this scale of investment reflects the Centre's commitment to strengthening both passenger and freight infrastructure in the state.



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During his visit to Odisha, Union Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw inspected the ongoing redevelopment of Bhubaneswar Railway Station, underscoring the importance of timely completion and high-quality execution. He emphasised that the upgraded station will deliver enhanced passenger comfort with modern amenities, reflecting Indian Railways' commitment to transforming stations into world-class infrastructure hubs aligned with evolving passenger expectations.

Hon'ble MR Shri @AshwiniVaishnaw inspected the ongoing redevelopment of Bhubaneswar Railway Station, Odisha, emphasising timely completion and enhanced passenger comfort. [pic.twitter.com/JOskdaAokG](https://pic.twitter.com/JOskdaAokG)

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### **Record Budget Allocation and Station Redevelopment Drive**

The Minister stated that Odisha has received a record railway budget allocation of ₹10,928 crore, significantly higher than past allocations, enabling faster execution of projects. He further noted that 59 railway stations are being redeveloped under the Amrit Bharat Station Scheme, aimed at transforming stations into modern, passenger-friendly hubs with enhanced amenities.

### **Expanding Rail Connectivity Across All Districts**

Highlighting connectivity goals, Shri Vaishnaw said that all 30 districts of Odisha are being brought under rail connectivity through planned interventions. He emphasized that this will ensure inclusive development and better integration of remote and interior regions with the mainstream rail network.

### **Key Projects to Strengthen Coastal and Regional Links**

The Minister also pointed to major infrastructure initiatives such as the proposed four-line coastal rail corridor from Balasore to Berhampur, which will significantly enhance capacity along the coastal belt. He noted that such projects will improve regional mobility, reduce congestion, and boost economic activity across Odisha.

### **Railways Driving Growth and Connectivity**

Shri Vaishnaw concluded that these transformative railway initiatives will strengthen regional connectivity, support economic growth, and integrate Odisha more closely with national freight and passenger networks. The ongoing investments and policy push are set to position Odisha as a key beneficiary of India's expanding railway infrastructure.

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