

Bullet trains: Bids invited for Sabarmati depot

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Ahmedabad: The National High-Speed Rail Corporation Limited (NHSRCL) has invited bids for the preparatory works for the construction of Sabarmati Maintenance Depot for bullet trains.

The Rail Land Development Authority (RLDA) has invited online bids to seek consultancy services for undertaking feasibility study, detailed master planning, urban designing, and engineering & preparation of detailed project report (DPR) for the integrated re-development of Ahmedabad railway station. The objective of the re-

Largest of three depots

The NHSRCL officials said that the Sabarmati maintenance depot will be the largest depot among the three depots planned for Mumbai Ahmedabad High Speed Rail corridor. Other depots will be at Surat and Thane. The NHSRCL tender includes road works, sewage and drainage works, earth work, construction of reservoirs for storage of rooftop rain water and storm water, underground storage tanks, sheds for parking of the general inspection train and inspection cars for track and other civil works at the site marked for the Sabarmati depot. The Sabarmati depot will cover an area of approximately 84ha. TNN

development is to upgrade it in line with requirements over time without diluting historical significance, besides providing state-of-the-art passenger amenities. Ahmedabad railway station has 12 platforms at the station. The station premises also houses two minarets as remnants of Sidi Bashir Mosque that are deemed as a heritage structure. The station handles



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an average footfall of around 52,843 commuters daily.

The redeveloped station will be equipped with amenities such as segregation of arrival and departure, excellent road connectivity with multi-modal transport integration, security and surveillance systems.