

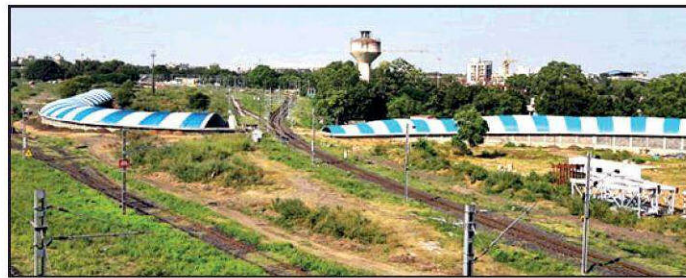
Underbridge built near HSR terminal site

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Ahmedabad: To enable smooth construction of its station at Sabarmati, NHSRCL has constructed a new road under-bridge to facilitate direct entry to the construction site.

This will allow construction without interference with the railway network on a day-to-day basis. The under-bridge has been built under the Ahmedabad-Delhi main line and is about 22m long.

The officials said Sabarmati is the terminal station of the Mumbai-Ahmedabad high-speed rail corridor and NHSRCL has planned to develop it as a vibrant multimodal transport hub. A multi-modal



The road underbridge leading to the Sabarmati terminal site

transit terminal has been planned on the eastern side of Sabarmati HSR station which shall ensure smooth traffic flow near the HSR station.

Sources said the railway board had in September decided to hand over the Sabarmati station and land near it to the Indian Railway Stations Deve-

lopment Corporation Limited (IRSDCL) for development of the station on commercial basis to serve both the bullet train and the railways.

The railways, in its design has proposed a single entry and exit for passengers of both the high-speed rail and Indian Railways. The proposed de-

sign envisages the bullet train station and Sabarmati railway station being connected with a skywalk. The first floor of the station will have restaurants and food courts. Officials said that the station end towards Ramnagar will be the entry point for the bullet train and railways and will also be connected to the part of the station near the central jail.

Sabarmati station presently has 20 trains originating from the Ramnagar end and 22 trains stopping at the platform near the central jail.

To segregate arriving and departing passengers to avoid obstructions and crowding, the new design has proposed separate entry and exit points.