

Govt receives bids to develop 15 bus stations

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Lucknow: The state government has received bids to develop 15 bus stations, including Ayodhya Dham, Varanasi Cantt, Charbagh bus station in Lucknow and others, on Public Private Partnership (PPP) mode.

These modern bus stations will have bus terminals and a commercial complex with restaurant, shopping



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mall, food court, theatre, AC and non-AC waiting halls for passengers, parcel room, cloak room, ATMs, post office, police booth, medical emergency services and other similar amenities.

Officials said bids were invited for 18 bus stations in October last out of which proposals were received for 15. The move is part of the state government's plan to develop 23 bus stations as bus ports in the first phase. The contracts to develop five of these bus stations were already awarded to two private developers in June last year.

The bus stations will be developed under the DBFOT (design, build, finance, operate and transfer) model. The scheme was approved by the cabinet in November 2022. The 23 bus stations selected in the first phase are in 16 districts, including Ghaziabad, Bulandshahr, Agra, Mathura, Kanpur, Varanasi, Prayagraj, Mirzapur, Lucknow, Rae Bareilly, Bareilly, Meerut, Hapur, Aligarh, Ayodhya and Gorakhpur.