

Vande Bharat trains symbol of India's tech prowess, says PM

Flags Off Four Trains From His Constituency

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Varanasi: Prime Minister Narendra Modi flagged off four Vande Bharat Express trains from Varanasi on Saturday, hailing these indigenously developed premium se-

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mi-high-speed trains as a symbol of India's technological prowess and modernisation of the railways.

The new Vande Bharat trains will operate on Banaras-Khajuraho, Lucknow-Saharanpur, Firozpur-Delhi and Ernakulam-Bengaluru routes. Addressing the flag-off ceremony at Banaras rail-

No. of Kashi trains to surge to 450: Min

Railway minister Ashwini Vaishnaw said a masterplan for long-term development of all railway stations in Varanasi region is being finalised to ensure number of trains originating or passing through the area increases to 450 from the current figure of 150. **P 4**

way station, Modi said infrastructure development has remained a key component in the growth journey of developed countries. "With so many Vande Bharat trains running and flights arriving from countries across the world, all these developments are now linked to growth. Today, India is also moving rapidly on this path," he said.

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PM Narendra Modi listening to a poem titled 'Mera Banaras Badal Raha Hai' from a Class 6 student aboard Vande Bharat train in Varanasi on Saturday. He lavished praise on the kids, saying as the MP from Varanasi he "felt so proud that my Kashi has such talented children" | **P 4**