

Maha Kumbh, a global hit, aims at 4 Guinness records

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Authorities To Attempt Record From Feb 14

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Prayagraj: Already getting applause from devotees across the world, Maha Kumbh authorities will now go for four Guinness world records from Feb 14.

With Amrit snan over, all the 13 akharas would leave the Mela area by Feb 10 for Varanasi. Kalpawasis, too, will leave after Maghi Purnima (Feb 12). Thereafter, the Mela authorities will attempt four Guinness world records.

Among these, the first attempt will witness 15,000 sanitation workers cleaning the ghats together on Feb 14, which will be a record in itself. Previously, in Kumbh 2019, 10,000 employees clea-



(Left) The first attempt will witness 15,000 sanitation workers cleaning the ghats together on Feb 14; sadhus perform aarti at their camp during the ongoing Maha Kumbh Mela in Prayagraj on Thursday

ned the ghats together. In the second world record, to be attempted on Feb 15, more than 300 people will clean the water stream in Sangam, which will be a new record.

On Feb 16, 1,000 e-rickshaws will be operated at the parade ground simultaneously, thus making a new world record. On Feb 28, 2019, a parade of 500 buses, operated by the UPSRTC, was con-

ducted on National Highway-19 and set the Guinness World Record for the "largest parade of buses" during the Kumbh. The buses travelled a distance of over 3.2km, which broke the previous record of 390 buses held by Abu Dhabi in 2010. Similarly, on Feb 17, as many as 10,000 people will create a world record by doing hand printing in eight hours in the Ganga

pandal. Presently, the world record for the most contributions to a handprint painting in an eight-hour period is held by the Prayagraj mela authority, with 7,664 individuals contributing to a handprint painting during Kumbh 2019. These records will be supervised by a team from Guinness Book and World Record, which will shortly arrive in Prayagraj.