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Major Initiatives & Achievements in the Year 2019

Best ever safety record – Zero passenger fatalities during the year;
Punctuality performance for Mail/Express trains increased to 75.67%

Union Cabinet approves transformational organisational restructuring of the Indian Railways – A landmark reform initiative

Budget 2019 lays roadmap for Railways to become growth engine of the country with proposed investment of Rs 50 lakh crore till 2030

Big Thrust for Infrastructure Development – Speed of trains on Delhi-Mumbai and Delhi-Howrah routes to be raised to 160 kmph; Signaling system to be modernized; Steady progress towards a Green Electrified Railways; Station Redevelopment on PPP Mode

Indian Railways to manufacture 44 rakes of Vande Bharat trains, Tenders floated; Record production of coaches and locomotives; 194 trains upgraded to Utkrisht standard in 2019-20

Artificial Intelligence based PNR confirmation predictor integrated with IRCTC website; First ever train run by IRCTC and not by Railways – Tejas Express starts operation between Delhi and Lucknow.

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[Biometric enabled Centralised Access Control System \(CACs\) & Training Module of e-BCAS Project launched – Aims to digitise employee movement process at airports](#)

Shri Hardeep Singh Puri, Minister of State (I/C) for Civil Aviation launched the Biometric enabled Centralised Access Control System (CACs) and 'e-BCAS Project Training Module' here, today, in the presence of senior officials of the Ministry of Civil aviation (MoCA) and Bureau of Civil Aviation Security (BCAS).

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Hardeep S Puri holds high level meeting with State Governments on issues related to Civil Aviation via VC

As part of the ongoing series of meetings with States and UT s on giving further thrust to the Civil Aviation sector in the country, Shri Hardeep Singh Puri, Minister of State(I/c) for Civil Aviation today held another high level meeting with H'ble Ministers, Chief secretaries of West Bengal, Bihar, Chattisgarh, Jharkand, Madhya Pradesh, Odisha and Uttar Pradesh.

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49th border co-ordination conference between Director Generals of BSF and Border Guard Bangladesh (BGB) held in New Delhi

Border guarding forces of India and Bangladesh held Directors General level talks from 25th Dec 2019 to 30th Dec 2019 in New Delhi. Indian delegation was headed by DG BSF Shri Vivek Johri and BD delegation was headed by DG of BGB Maj Gen Md Shafeenul Islam, BGBM (BAR), ndc, psc.

The items for agenda items for talks related to all issues related to the border including but not limited to smuggling of drugs, gold, fake currency, cattle, action against remnant of Indian Insurgent Groups, construction of fence within 150 yards of IB, developmental works within 150 yards of IB, deaths and injuries to civilians and BSF personnel along the IB, death/injuries to Bangladesh civilians, human trafficking and illegal immigration.

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President of India Presents Dada Saheb Phalke Award

The President of India, Shri Ram Nath Kovind, presented Dada Saheb Phalke Award to Shri Amitabh Bachchan held at Rashtrapati Bhavan today (December 29, 2019).

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