



Lucknow's Charbagh Railway Station Completed 100 years

Why in News?

On 1st August 2025, Charbagh Railway Station in Lucknow marked its centenary (100 years). Its unique architecture and deep-rooted history symbolize the distinct identity of the city.

Key Points

- **History and Architecture:** The construction of **Charbagh Station** is a beautiful blend of Mughal, Rajasthani, and British architecture.
 - The **foundation of Charbagh Station was laid in 1914 by Bishop George Herbert**, and it was completed in 1923.
 - The building is designed as an amalgamation of Indo-British style of **architecture by J.H Horniman.**
 - **On 1st August 1925 C.L Colvin, the agent of East India Railway** laid inside the turret of the same building, a **casket containing a coin of those times and a newspaper of the same day** as a call to remembrance of the successful completion of the foundation of the building.
- **Role in the Independence Movement:** Charbagh Station has witnessed the arrival of prominent leaders like Mahatma Gandhi, Jawaharlal Nehru, and Maulana Azad during the freedom struggle.
 - It is believed that the **first formal meeting between Gandhi ji and Nehru (26th December 1916)** took place at this station, making it an important historical site.

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