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Polavaram Project	 Context: Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu visited the Polavaram Project to review the ongoing works and assess the project's status. CM highlighted severe damage to the project, causing uncertainty about the time and cost required for completion. 			
	About:			
	 The Project is located in Andhra Pradesh near Polavaram village about 34 KMs. (21 Miles) upstream of Kovvur - Rajahmundry Road and 42 KM. (26 Miles) upstream of Sir Arthur Cotton Barrage. The Polavaram Irrigation Project is a Multipurpose one conferring Irrigation benefits in the upland areas of Visakhapatnam, East Godavari, West Godavari and Krishna Districts. It also envisages drinking water supply to Visakhapatnam Township and other towns and villages enroute and Industrial water supply to the Visakhapatnam coast based Steel Plant and other industries in the vicinity, generation of Hydal Power, affording Navigation facilities, development of pisciculture and providing recreation and other benefits, besides urbanisation. The river Godavari is one of the largest Rivers in India, being the second largest in the Indian Union. It runs across from the Western Ghats to Eastern Ghats 			
	and owes its greatness for its sanctity, picturesque			
Visakhapatnam Port	scenery and utility to man. Context:			
Authority	 In a remarkable achievement, the Visakhapatnam Port Authority (VPA) has secured the 19th rank in the Container Port Performance Index (CPPI) for 2023. This index is developed by the World Bank and S&P Global Market Intelligence. The VPA's new ranking marks a significant improvement, as it moved up 102 places from its previous position of 122 in the CPPI-2022. 			
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Rajahmundry		Railway	
Station	to	Undergo	Rs
250-Cro	e Re	developme	nt

key stakeholders in the global economy, including national governments, port authorities, development agencies, supra-national organizations and private operators of trade, logistics and supply chain services.

Context:

- Rajahmundry railway station in Andhra Pradesh is set to undergo a significant redevelopment project worth Rs 250 crore.
- The initiative, part of the South Central Railway (SCR) efforts to modernise and zone's upgrade infrastructure, aims to meet the evolving needs of the region.

Redevelopment Features:

The redevelopment plan includes several key features:

- Iconic Station Building: Designed to meet the needs of the next 50 years.
- Spacious Concourse/Roof Plaza: Connecting the terminal building with platforms.
- Essential Facilities: Including a food court, retail outlets, ATMs, One Station One Product stalls, a play zone for kids, and a pharmacy.
- Integration: Connecting both sides of the city with station buildings on both sides of the tracks.
- Facilities for Divyangjan and Senior Citizens: Ensuring accessibility and convenience.



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