2016 Kanpur train accident

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| **2016 Kanpur train accident** | |
| **Details** | |
| **Date** | 28 December 2016 |
| **Time** | 5:20 [IST](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Indian_Standard_Time) |
| **Location** | [Kanpur](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kanpur), [Uttar Pradesh](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Uttar_Pradesh) |
| **Country** | India |
| **Incident type** | [Derailment](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Derailment) |
| **Cause** | Under investigation |
| **Statistics** | |
| **Trains** | 1 |
| **Injuries** | More than 60 people |

On 28 December 2016, the [Ajmer–Sealdah Express](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ajmer%E2%80%93Sealdah_Express) 12987, a scheduled train from [Ajmer](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ajmer) to [Sealdah](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sealdah" \o "Sealdah), derailed near [Kanpur](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kanpur), [India](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/India).

15 coaches of the train derailed at a point about 50 kilometres (31 mi) from Kanpur. More than 60 people were injured.[[1]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2016_Kanpur_train_accident#cite_note-1)

On 10 November, 60 kilometres (37 mi) from Kanpur, 14 coaches of the [Indore-Patna Express](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Indore-Patna_Express) had [derailed](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pukhrayan_train_derailment), killing 151 people. Both accidents were thought to have been caused by fractured tracks.[[2]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2016_Kanpur_train_accident#cite_note-2) In January 2017, after deliberately damaged track was found in time to avoid a third derailment, three suspects arrested for placing a bomb on rail tracks near [Ghorasahan](https://en.wikipedia.org/w/index.php?title=Ghorasahan&action=edit&redlink=1" \o "Ghorasahan (page does not exist)), Motilal Paswan, Umashankar Patel and Mukesh Yadav, were implicated in the two Kanpur derailments. They admitted working for [Inter-Services Intelligence](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Inter-Services_Intelligence) of [Pakistan](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pakistan).[[3]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2016_Kanpur_train_accident#cite_note-3) According to a police officer, although no evidence of explosives had been found in connection with the two Kanpur derailments, audio recovered from one of the suspects' cellphones suggested they were involved in them.[[4]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2016_Kanpur_train_accident#cite_note-4) Brij Kishore Giri, a [Nepalese](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Nepal) suspected of being the men's "handler", was arrested in Nepal, as was Shamsul Huda, suspected of masterminding the plot, after he had been deported from [Dubai](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Dubai).[[](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2016_Kanpur_train_accident#cite_note-5)