

Leeds to expand Elland Road

LONDON: Leeds announced plans on Monday to increase the capacity of their Elland Road stadium to 53,000.

The project, which will be carried out in a phased approach to allow the stadium to remain operational, will see the ground expand by more than 15,000 seats.

Despite currently being in the second tier Championship, Leeds are one of England's best supported clubs.

Elland Road has been sold out for every match over the last six years and the club have a 26,000 strong waiting list for season tickets.

"The opportunity to refresh a century-old stadium, coupled with the legacy of Leeds United, is unprecedented," said Paraag Marathe, Leeds chairman and president of the club's owners, 49ers Enterprises. — AFP