Coordinates: 28.83°N 78.78°E

Moradabad

Moradabad (pronunciation) is a city, commissionary, and a <u>municipal corporation</u> in <u>Moradabad district</u> of <u>Indian</u> state of <u>Uttar Pradesh</u>. It was established in 1625A.D. by Rustam Khan and is named after prince <u>Murad Baksh</u>, the youngest son of the Mughal Emperor Shah Jahan and Empress Mumtaz Mahal.

Moradabad is situated on the banks of the <u>Ramganga</u> river, at a distance of 167 km (104 mi) from the national capital, <u>New Delhi</u> and 344 km north-west of the state capital <u>Lucknow</u>. The city is known as *Pital Nagri* ("Brass City") for its famous brass handicrafts industry.^[3] It is also the divisional headquarters of Northern Railway (NR). [4][5]

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History

Moradabad was established as an office for the Chaupala pargana during emperor <u>Akbar's</u> regime. In AD 1624 it was captured by Rustam Khan, the then Governor of <u>Sambhal</u> who named it Rustam Nagar. Later, in AD 1625 its named was changed to Moradabad, after the name of prince <u>Murad Baksh</u>, the son of Mughal emperor <u>Shah Jahan</u>. A mosque named Jama Masjid was constructed in the city by Rustam Khan for th<u>Mughal Emperor</u>.

Geography

Moradabad is situated on the banks of the Ramganga river, that originates from the Doodhatoli ranges and is a part of the Namik Glacier, originating from the high altitude zone of 800 m to 900 m. The Ramganga flows to the south west from the Kumaun Himalaya. It is a tributary of the Ganga. It flows by the Corbett National Park near Ramnagar of Nainital district, from where it descends upon the Gangetic plain. The Ramganga Dam has been built on the Ramganga river at Kalagarh for irrigation and electricity generation.

Moradabad has a history of flash floods occurrin^[6] due to the over-flooding of Ramganga river

Climate

During summers the temperature is usually from 43 $^{\circ}$ C to 30 $^{\circ}$ C and during winters it is from 25 $^{\circ}$ C to 5 $^{\circ}$ C.

Moradabad



Lord Moiras camp at Moradabad

Nickname(s): Brass City



Coordinates: 28.83°N 78.78°E

| Country | India |
|-------------|---------------------|
| State | Uttar Pradesh |
| District | Moradabad |
| Established | 1625 ^[1] |

Government

| • MP | Kunwar Sarvesh Kuma | | | | | |
|---------------------------|---------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| | Singh (BJP) | | | | | |
| Mavor | Vinod Agarwal (BJP) | | | | | |

• District Rakesh Kumar Singh Magistrate

• MLA Ritesh Gupta Area

• Total 349 km² (135 sq mi) Elevation 198 m (650 ft)

Population (2011)^[2]

| • Total | 889,810 |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------|
| Density | 2,500/km ² |
| • | (6,600/sq mi) |

Demonym(s) Moradabadi

Languages

| • Official | Hindi, Urdu |
|------------|----------------|
| Time zone | UTC+5:30 (IST) |
| | |

PIN 244001
Telephone 0591
code
Vehicle UP-21
registration

Website www.moradabad.nic.in

| Climate data for Moradabad | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|--------|---------|---------|
| Month | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | Мау | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec | Year |
| Average | 17.1 | 24.5 | 31.6 | 36.4 | 41.4 | 44.7 | 36.5 | 33.4 | 34.1 | 28.2 | 27.4 | 20 | 26.16 |
| high °C (°F) | (62.8) | (76.1) | (88.9) | (97.5) | (106.5) | (112.5) | (97.7) | (92.1) | (93.4) | (82.8) | (81.3) | (68) | (79.09) |
| Average low | 4 | 7 | 12 | 15.7 | 17.4 | 17.7 | 19.2 | 21.5 | 19.2 | 13.2 | 12.1 | 8 | 15.58 |
| °C (°F) | (39) | (45) | (54) | (60.3) | (63.3) | (63.9) | (66.6) | (70.7) | (66.6) | (55.8) | (53.8) | (46) | (60.04) |
| Average precipitation mm (inches) | 18.2 | 24.5 | 12.1 | 12.4 | 21.6 | 99.1 | 168.1 | 207.1 | 99.3 | 27.1 | 6.1 | 9.0 | 58.5 |
| | (0.717) | (0.965) | (0.476) | (0.488) | (0.85) | (3.902) | (6.618) | (8.154) | (3.909) | (1.067) | (0.24) | (0.354) | (2.303) |
| Source: WWO | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

Demographics

According to the $\underline{2011 \text{ census}}$ Moradabad city has a $\underline{\text{population}}$ of 887,871.^[8] The population of Moradabad district was 4,772,006,^[9] roughly equal to the nation of $\underline{\text{Singapore}}^{[10]}$ or the US state of $\underline{\text{Alabama}}^{[11]}$ It is the second most populated district in the state of Uttar Pradesh. This gives it a ranking of 26th in India (out of a total of 640).^[8] The district has a population density of 1,284 inhabitants per square kilometre (3,330/sq mi).^[8] Its population growth rateover the decade 2001-201 was 25.25%.^[8]

In 2011 a new district named Sambhal district was formed with two sub districts of Moradabad district. The rest of Moradabad district has a population of 3,126,507. The Muslim population in the rest of Moradabad district is 1,588,297.

Religions in Moradabad city^[8]

Religion Percent
Hindus 51.68%
Muslims 46.79%
Sikhs 0.43%
Christians 0.61%
Others† 0.49%
Distribution of religions

Moradabad has asex ratio of 903 females for every 1000 males^[8] and a literacy rate of 58.67%.^{[12][13]}

Education

Schools in Moradabad, whether using English or <u>Hindi</u> as a medium of instruction, are affiliated to one of the four bodies, <u>Central Board of Secondary Education</u> (C.B.S.E.), <u>Council for the Indian School Certificate Examinations</u> (C.I.S.C.E.), <u>University of Cambridge International Examinations</u> and <u>Uttar Pradesh Madhyamik Shiksha Parishad</u> (U.P. Board).

Higher education institutions in Moradabad

- state k.g.k homeopathic medical college
- Moradabad Institute of Technology
- Teerthanker Mahaveer University
- IFTM University
- Hindu College
- Wilsonia Degree College^[14]
- Islamic Madrasas: Jamia Naimia Moradabad

Jamia Anees ul Uloom Taharpur, Moradabad Shree satya group of institutions, Moradabad

Police training academy

Dr. Bhim Rao Ambedkar Police Academy, Moradabad is situated in the heart of Uttar Pradesh. <u>Indian Police Services</u> Officer and State Police Service officers of UP cadre and Uttrakhand Cadre are trained here before appointment.

The Police Training College was earlier known as Police Training School (PTS), established in Allahabad in 1878 under an Assistant Superintendent of Police. It was shifted to Moradabad in 1901. The academy has two other police colleges under its administration: Police Training College and Police Training School. The former is used to train police officers of the rank of inspector and sub-inspector, and the latter is used to train head constables and constables.

Provincial Armed Constabulary

 $Beside\ above\ Inspector General\ of\ Police,\ westen\ zone,\ Provincial\ Armed\ Constabulary\ (\PAC)\ also\ sits\ in\ Moradabad.$

Moradabad has Battalion headquarters of 9/23/24 Bn. of U.P. Provincial Armed Constabulary, also have their offices here. Moradabad is the largest police establishment of U.P. Police after Lucknow^[16]

Economy

Moradabad is a major industrial city and export hub. It handicrafts industry accounts for more than 40% of total handicraftexports from India.

In 2006-2007, Moradabad's exportturnover was ₹32 billion (\$530 millions). In 2012-2013 it increased to ₹40 billion (\$667 millions).

In October 2014, Livemint included Moradabad in its list of "25 Emeging Cities To Watch Out For In 2025". [18]

Moradabad's brass industry that employs tens of thousands of workers has been impacted by ongoing wars in Libya and Syria.^[19]

Export

Moradabad is popularly known as the Brass City of the country. Countries like Britain, the US, Middle East Asia, Germany and Canada import brassware from Moradabad. In Moradabad there are about 600 export units and 9000 industries in the district. Moradabad exports goods worth Rs. 4500 crore yearly. Many other products for example, iron sheet, metal wares, aluminum, artworks and glassware are also exported as per the need of foreign buyers. Export of mint is done in several crores from Moradabad. These products are quite famous in overseas market and are being exported in thousands of crores yearly. Due to upsurge of exports and popularity in foreign particularly in America, Europe, Italy and other countries, a large No. of exporters are launching their units and started their export. Out of the seven industrial corridors declared by the State Government in Industrial Policy 1999-2002, Moradabad is one of their countries.



Aaftab, one of the main handicraft items of Moradbad

Special Economic Zone

Moradabad Special Economic Zone (SEZ) the only Uttar Pradesh Government Developed SEZ^[21] in northern India, headed by the Development Commissioner, Noida SEZ and locally governed by the Asststant Development Commissioner, was set up in 2003 at Pakbara − Dingarpur Road in Moradabad on a 421.565 acre plot of land. Government of UP through UPSIDC being developers to this SEZ project has so far invested a sum of ₹1100 million on its development. Moradabad SEZ provides excellent infrastructure, supportive services and sector specific facilities for the Handicraft Trade. Proximity to Delhi/ NCR and availability of skilled and dedicated manpower makes it ideal for setting up various industries in Handicrafts & its allied filed. Moradabad SEZ was operationalised since April, 2007 when it started with only one unit, however till today in spite of global slowdown in the handicraft trade for past four years; this zone has now 22 operational Units. [21] Moradabad SEZ has 465 developed plots of varying sizes. Future expansion of this has been strategically planned and soon it will be available for few more export sectors.

Infrastructure, supportive services and trade related facilities have been substantially upgraded during the last few years. Moradabad SEZ offers access to global telecommunication network, uninterrupted power supply and efficient local transport system. An ultra modern RSU Telephone Exchange has been installed in the Zone, besides the availability of all the mobile frequencies in and around the zone through various mobile communication towers. An independent feeder line has since been provided for uninterrupted power supply, the reliability and quality of power supply has improved with the pre-commissioned 32 / 11 KVA / 5.0 MVA [21] Power Sub-station within Moradabad SEZ. Proximity to Delhi/ NCR provides easy access to financial and commercial infrastructure of the capital. Customs Wing ensures prompt and on the spot clearances of export/import consignments through web based system called "sezonling all and commercial infrastructure of the capital."

Transportation

Road

Moradabad is well connected by roads with cities like <u>Delhi</u>, <u>Lucknow</u>, <u>Agra</u>, <u>Aligarh</u>, <u>Ghaziabad</u>, <u>Noida</u>, <u>Haridwar</u>, and Dehradun.

The following National Highways and State Highways pass through or are connected with Moradabad:

- National Highway 24- connects New Delhi to Lucknow via Ghaziabad, Bareilly, Shahjahanpur and Sitapur. It has been made four-lane between Moradabad and New Delhi. Four-laning of the highway between Moradabad and Lucknow is underway. It is essentially from Delhi via Ghaziabad and Moradabad to Rampur. Part of this highway is also a part of the AH2 (Asian Highway 2), which connect enpasar, Indonesia to Merak and Singapore to Khosravi, Iran.
- National Highway 509 Also known as National Highway 93 it connects Moradabad to Agra via Chandausi, Aligarh and Hathras.
- State Highway 43 it connects Moradabad to the historical city o<u>Badaun</u>, which is 102 km away and Farrukhabad, which is 210 km away via Bisauli. It also extends to Kanpur.
- State Highway 49 connects Moradabad td<u>Haridwar</u>, merging into State Highway 78 at<u>Dhampur</u>.
- State Highway 76 connects Moradabad toBijnor via Noorpur.
- State Highway 78 connects Moradabad toAmroha via Pakbara.
- MDR65 W connects Moradabad toKashipur via Thakurdwara.
- Moradabad Sambhal four-lane highway



Moradabad bus station

Rail

Moradabad railway station is one of the major railway stations of Indian Railways. It lies on Lucknow-Moradabad line, Delhi-Moradabad line and Moradabad-Ambala line. More than 250 trains pass through and stop at Moradabad Railway Station every day. It is directly connected with Delhi, Lucknow, Kanpur, Agra, Aligarh, Ghaziabad, Jaipur, Jodhpur, Haridwar, Dehradun, Amritsar, Ludhiana, Ambala, Guwahati, Dibrugarh, Kolkata, Jamshedpur, Varanasi, Ahmedabad, Patna. Shatabdi Express, Rajdhani Express, Garib-Rath Express Many Super fast, mail and passenger trains stop at Moradabad. Moradabad is called an inter-change station due to a five line junction. Moradabad Railway Station is One of the Oldest Railway Station Of India. It was built in 1873, and was electrified in 2012.

Moradabad railway station was the main station built by Oudh and Rohilkhand Railway



Moradabad railway station

Amenities Moradabad railway station is category 'A' railway station. [23] It has a tourist information centre, post office, telegraph office, General Railway Police Office, computerised reservation counters, retiring room, vegetarian and non vegetarian refreshment rooms, tea stall and book stall. It also has that Hal seat booking counter

Electrification Electrification Electrification Electrification (395 mi) long Mughasarai-Moradabadline was completed in 2013. Many trains on Ambala and Lucknow line run with electric locomotives (including freight trains). Electrification of Delhi-Moradabadline is under progress and was expected to be completed by December 2015. Being one of the important sections of the Northern Railways, Indian railway has given this project a high priority

Electrification of 135 km line between Ghaziabad - Moradabad is complete as of 31-03-2015. CRS's detailed inspection of GZB-MB section electrification completed successfully on 19-01-2015.

Air

Moradabad Airport is under construction. The nearest working domestic airport is Pantnagar Airport, 86 km away and the nearest international airport is Indira Gandhi International Airport, New Delhi, 178 km away.

Media

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- Sushil Kumar Chaddha, akaHullad Moradabadi
- Piyush Chawla
- Ponty Chadha
- Robert Vadra
- Sufi Amba Prasad
- Arun Lal
- Javed Jaffrey
- Amber Sharma
- Naeem-ud-Deen Muradabadi



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