

New Delhi

Deadly stampede: At least 18 people, including 14 women, were killed in a stampede at Delhi's main railway station last week, as they tried to board a packed train carrying pilgrims to the Kumbh Mela religious festival. Witnesses said that the crush occurred when the crowd surged in response to an announced platform change at New Delhi station. Taking place every 12 years and lasting 45 days, the Kumbh Mela is expected to host some 400 million people. Last month, at least 30 people were killed in a crush at the site of the Hindu festival, in the northern city of Prayagraj.