

# Govt mulls 7 new textile parks, eyes job creation

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**Lucknow:** Giving further impetus to industrialisation and job creation, the state government is mulling to set up seven more textile parks in Agra, Meerut, Varanasi, Gorakhpur, Kanpur, Lucknow and Jhansi, and a proposal for will be presented to the cabinet shortly.

A government spokesperson said in addition to the proposal, two mega textile parks will also be set up in the state in collaboration with the Centre. These projects, along with the Noida apparel park, are expected to provide employment to lakhs of people, he said.

“Already there are companies which have proposed investment of Rs 940 crore in setting up readymade garment units in the state. These proposals have come

for Gorakhpur, Kanpur, Bulandshahar, Ghaziabad, Meerut, Jalaun, Badaun, Amroha and Ghaziabad. About one lakh youth will get employment in these factories within a year,” he said.

Elaborating on the proposals, he said the units that are coming up include a readymade garments factory in Noida, units manufacturing sanitary napkins in Gorakhpur, fabric, poly bags and hosiery in Kanpur, textile in Bulandshahr, weaving and processing in Ghaziabad, yarn in Meerut, spinning in Jalaun, lace fabrics in Badaun, and readymade garments in Amroha and Ghaziabad.

Industrial development department sources added there are companies which have submitted proposals of Rs 1,583 crore for setting up projects in Hardoi, Gorakhpur, Hamirpur and Bara-

banki districts.

Many of these proposals have even been approved by the state government, they added.

“Britannia Industries will start production in Barabanki by January 31, 2023. The company will invest Rs 340 crore and will provide employment to 1,000 people. JK Cement Central will start its project in Hamirpur by March 2022 with an investment of over Rs 381.22 crore,” the spokesperson said, adding that Berger Paints will employ 150 people at its Hardoi unit. The company will invest more than Rs 725 crore in Sandila, Hardoi.

Apart from this, Gallant Industries in Gorakhpur will start commercial production from April next year. It will have an investment of Rs 134.74 crore and will employ 250 people.