

Uttar Pradesh govt to give employment to 50,000 youths: CM Yogi Adityanath

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CM meets the public at a janata darbar in Lucknow on Thursday.

LUCKNOW: With assembly elections just a few months away, Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath on Wednesday said that the government will be giving 50,000 more jobs to youths in the state. His announcement came during a ceremony to hand over appointment letters to 130 newly inducted [excise](#) inspectors.

While praising his government's initiative in cleaning up the recruitment process and making it transparent, he cautioned the youth against being misled by the 'vasooli gang', which he alleged was becoming active in the state. He added that the government had confiscated property worth over Rs 1,500 crore of such agents who were responsible for harassing job seeking youth in UP.

"Before 2017, jobs were given on the condition of family connections and caste. Meritorious youths had started leaving UP because there were no jobs. In the past four years, the appointment process has been streamlined and there is rule of law in the state now. This has upset certain people who were thriving as agents in the process. The government has put many in jail and confiscated their property," the CM said, adding that positive thinking and hard work will help the youth to progress and the government will stand by them through this.

The CM said that the excise department has been an important source of revenue generation for the state and the excise inspectors would help the department in controlling the sale and manufacture of illicit liquor and streamline the functioning of the department.

Asking the new recruits to remember that the tax paying public is their boss because of whom their salaries are paid, the CM said that they would be expected to perform their duties with as much honesty with which their recruitment had taken place. "You should not harass any innocent person during the course of your duties. It is our responsibility to work for the welfare of everyone," he said.

The CM highlighted employment generation under his government, saying that in the past more than four years, 4.25 lakh youth have been given government jobs. Investments made in the state over this period further generated jobs for 1.61 crore youth. An additional 60 lakh youth have been helped in becoming self-employed, he added.

Excise minister Ram Naresh Agnihotri said that the excise department has contributed revenue of more than Rs 30,000 crore to the state in the past four years. He added that with help from the department, industrialists have contributed to setting up oxygen plants in various districts since the second wave of the Covid-19 pandemic.