

Hiranandani Grp likely to invest ₹6k-cr on data centre

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Lucknow: After Microsoft, Adani Group and MAQ, construction giant Hiranandani Group has expressed interest in setting up a data centre in the state at an estimated cost of Rs 6,000 crore, a government spokesperson said on Friday.

Officials said the development would project Uttar Pradesh as an IT (information technology) hub, which is largely restricted to southern India.

The spokesperson said it was due to the concessions granted under the Uttar Pradesh Electronics Manufacturing Policy-2017 that 30 big investors have shown interest in investing Rs 20,000 crore in the IT sector.

Microsoft, which was allotted 60,000 square metre land in Sector 145 of Noida, will set up a software park and data centre by investing Rs 1,800 crore. The project is expected to provide employment to over 3,500 people.

The Noida Authority also allotted 34,275 square metre land to Adani Group at a prime location in Sector-62 and 39,146 square metre land to Adani Enterprises in Sector-80 of Noida. The company is in the process of setting up a data centre at a cost of Rs 2,500 crore. The project will generate 2,350 jobs.

Meanwhile, to attract

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maximum investments to the state, the government is planning to develop private industrial parks in districts.

Industrial parks, to be built on PPP (public private partnership) model, are expected to boost exports from the state as well.

The districts where private industrial parks are being planned include Lucknow, Unnao, Amethi, Sultanpur, Pratapgarh, Auraiya, Hamirpur, Jalaun, Noida, Ghaziabad, Meerut, Azamgarh, Ambedkarnagar, Gorakhpur and Prayagraj.

The spokesperson said the first industrial park was being planned in Unnao near Agra-Lucknow Expressway. Land has also been identified to build this private industrial park in Barauli Kalan village of the district.

Industries involved in food processing or manufacturing textile and readymade garments, perfumes, brass products, toys and electronic equipment may set up units in private industrial parks.

All facilities for industrial units will be available under the same roof at private industrial parks in the state.

The manufacturing zone of the park will have flat-like factories and factory sheds.

Common facilities will include business and shopping centres, incubation centres, hotels and restaurants, hostels, office blocks, health and communication facilities, police and fire stations, etc.

The park will also have a common effluent treatment plant and testing labs on the premises.