

PM Narendra Modi to lay foundation of new university near Aligarh today



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Chief minister [Yogi Adityanath](#) visited the venue to oversee the preparations for the event at Lodha town, about 40km from Aligarh. Deputy CM Dinesh Sharma, who has been camping here to monitor the preparations, said, "The government is paying tribute to Raja Mahendra Pratap Singh, who devoted more than three decades of his life living in exile and fighting for India's freedom, by establishing a state university in his name."

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The Prime Minister will also visit the exhibition models of the Aligarh node of the [Defence Corridor](#) during his visit.

The new university also aims to fulfil a longstanding demand for a state university in the region.

All the colleges in Aligarh division and some neighbouring districts will be affiliated to it, the chief minister had said recently. The university is being set up in a total area of over 92 acres at village Lodha and village Musepur Kareem Jarouli of Aligarh's Kol tehsil.