

Kushinagar air service will boost development in east Uttar Pradesh: CM Yogi Adityanath

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Kushinagar International Airport (Aviation Ministry)

GORAKHPUR: Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath on Tuesday took stock of preparations for the inauguration of Kushinagar International Airport and said it will bring immense employment and tourism opportunities to the region.

The CM said, "Kushinagar is eager to welcome the Sri Lankan delegation and Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Wednesday. We will be able to send messages of international friendship and compassion to Lord Buddha, all over the world."

PM Modi will inaugurate Kushinagar International Airport, lay the foundation stone of a government medical college and will also gift 12 other projects to Kushinagar on Wednesday.

After reviewing the preparation for the inauguration of the airport, the CM said, "Uttar Pradesh is fortunate that it will get its third international airport inaugurated by PM Modi. The new airport will play a vital role in the development of east UP and west Bihar. Our neighbouring country Nepal will also be benefited by the airport."

"Most of the places related to Lord Buddha are in [Uttar Pradesh](#) and this airport will bring immense tourism and employment opportunities. PM Modi had already said UDAN scheme will bring a new flight of development and even a person wearing 'hawai chappal' will be able to travel by air," he added.

The CM said before 2017, only two airports were functional in the state but now there are eight and Kushinagar airport will be the ninth functional airport in the state.

CM Yogi said after 2014, the health infrastructure has been strengthened and in the past four years, many medical colleges have been established. Soon AIIMS in Gorakhpur and Rae Bareilly will be inaugurated.

"Earlier, there were only 12-15 medical colleges in the state but now 33 new medical colleges are being established, including Kushinagar medical college. On October 25, nine medical colleges will be inaugurated in the state by PM Modi. The MBBS course will be started in these colleges soon," he added.