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'PM gave thrust to devpt in B'khand'

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Lucknow: Citing irrigation projects and defence industrial corridor in Bundelkhand, CM Yogi Adityanath on Friday said the region was turning the slogan of 'Jai Jawan, Jai Kisan' into reality.

Addressing the gathering during foundation laying of Rs 3,240 crore Arjun Sahayak, Bhawni and Stauti irrigation projects for Mahoba, Hamirpur and Lalitpur, Yogi said the basic facilities like potable water "remained a dream" for the region for years after Independence. "It was in 2014 that the country got a leadership under PM Narendra Modi who pitched for holistic development of farmers, youth, women and poor and gave thrust to development in backward regions, including Bundelkhand," he said.

He lauded the Narendra Modi government at the Centre for lending thrust to the development of hitherto parched region. The CM said not only development projects like Bundelkhand expressway were initiated, but irrigation and potable water under Har Ghar Yojana was also being fast-tracked.