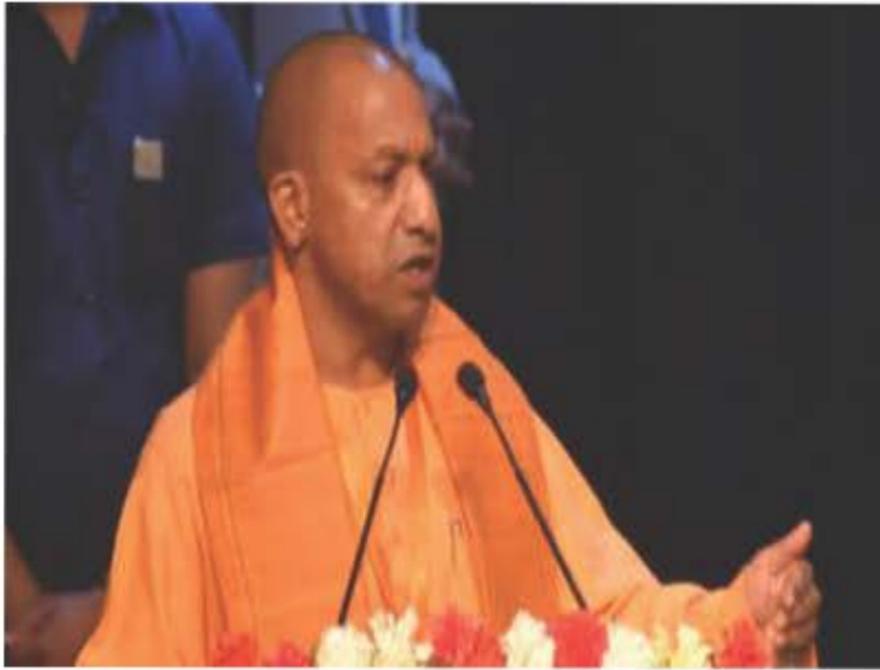


Big names from India Inc at Uttar Pradesh's Investors Summit

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LUCKNOW: Some of the big names from India Inc are expected to attend UP's groundbreaking ceremony on June 3, an official spokesperson said on Saturday.

The list includes Kumar Mangalam Birla, Gautam Adani, Sanjiv Goenka, Sajjan Jindal, and Sudhir Mehta.

They all have confirmed their participation, said a government spokesperson. Natarajan Chandrasekaran, the chairman of the board of Tata Sons and key names from Vedanta Group will also be participating in the ceremony.

This would be the third groundbreaking ceremony under Yogi Adityanath. Prime Minister Narendra Modi will inaugurate the event slated to take place at Indira Gandhi Pratishthan.

Officials said that the state government was expecting investment proposals of over Rs 75,000 crore to take off on the occasion.

Some prominent projects include: Adani Group's data centre (Rs 4,900 crore), Hiranandani Group's two data centres in Noida (Rs 9,100 crore), Microsoft's software development centre (Rs 2,100 crore) and Dalmia Group's cement manufacturing plant in Mirzapur (Rs 600 crore).

In addition, several startups under micro, small and medium enterprises (MSME), textile, tourism, energy, food processing and pharma will also begin.

Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath is regularly reviewing preparations for the groundbreaking ceremony and has often defined it as the crucial step towards realising the dream of turning UP into a \$1trillion economy.

The chief minister has also called upon industrialists, entrepreneurs, and investors to come to the state for investment, saying that his government has come a long way in transforming the state into an investor-friendly place conducive to industrialisation.

The state's industry and infrastructure development minister Nand Gopal Gupta Nandi said that the stage is set for investment in Uttar Pradesh.

"While a number of proactive measures are firmly in place, industry feedback-based reforms are in the pipeline to attract investors in regions beyond Noida and Greater Noida," he said.