

# Niti Aayog team to stay posted in capital to assist in projects

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**Lucknow:** A team from Niti Aayog will now be posted in Lucknow to assist the government with planning and implementation of various projects. Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath met with newly appointed Niti Aayog CEO Parmeswaran Iyer and other senior members of the organisation on Thursday, where he was informed that the team would be present to provide technical or any other help which the government required.

Yogi and the Niti Aayog team discussed schemes and policies in UP, especially the project to make the state a USD 1 trillion economy. Appreciating the approach of the state government to achieve the sustainable development goals, Iyer said UP has potential and immense possibilities and that Niti Aayog will provide all help to the state in achieving the SDGs.

The CM told them that UP has been divided into 10 sectors for composite development. A long term and short term plan has been created for each sector and each is being monitored continuously. He spoke about Family Cards to ensure employment to each family and a rise in



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the state's GST collections which had gone up to Rs 1 lakh crore in 2021-22.

They discussed the state's aspirational districts and Niti Aayog appreciated the performance of the state with five districts making it to the top 10 of the best performing districts in the country. Yogi said that in line with this, the state had also identified 100 aspirational blocks in 34 districts where development projects would be implemented on 75 indicators from sectors of health and nutrition, education, agriculture, skill development etc.

He also mentioned the CM Fellowship programme under which a skilled, educated person will be posted

in each block for a year to monitor projects and work with the government to ensure their effective implementation.

Yogi discussed the growth in the state's GDP and said that every district was preparing its own GDP. He spoke about better air and road connectivity in UP through new airports and expressways.

The CM also mentioned the Global Investors' Summit in January 2023 in which the government has set an investment target of Rs 10 lakh crore. He said that due to the one district-one product scheme, exports from UP have gone up from Rs 88,000 crore to Rs 1.56 crore over the past five years.