

Govt & Tata ink ₹5K cr pact for ITIs' upgrade

Move Likely To Help Youth Develop Skills

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Lucknow: The UP government on Sunday signed a Memorandum of Association (MoA) of over Rs 5,000 crore with Tata Technologies to upgrade 150 ITIs in the state in a move that could potentially help the youth upgrade their skills and make them fit for the modern day industry.

Speaking on the occasion, Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath pressed on the need for skill upgradation in accordance with the time. "In the rapidly changing world, there have been extensive changes at the technical level, but the state ITIs were not upgraded. If we do not keep up with the new technology, we will definitely lag behind," Yogi said.

The CM said that the laboratories and equipment of ITIs will be upgraded. At the same time, good trainers from Tata Technologies will also be available to the ITIs of the state. The 35,000 youths who get trained every year, will be able to get jobs in prestigious institutions of Tata and abroad, a state



CM Yogi Adityanath with the representatives of Tata Technologies Ltd during the signing of MoA for upgradation of 150 ITIs

government spokesperson said.

It is worth mentioning that 87% of the cost of the entire project will be borne by Tata Technology Limited and 12% by the state government.

CEO of Tata Technologies Warren Harris said that the objective of the company would be to make youth better in the field of engineering and technology.

"We are fortunate to have got an opportunity to come to Uttar Pradesh," he said.

Harris said that under the MoA signed, 150 ITIs will be upgraded in UP. The Tata technologies will run 11 new age long-term trades and 23

new short term courses in these ITIs. "Our aim is to develop the skills of the youth here and connect them with employment," Harris said. Under the Department of Vocational Education and Skill Development, a total of 305 Government Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs) are operating in the state. A total of 72 vocational trainings are conducted in these ITIs.

The spokesperson said that the need is to modernize the state industrial training institutes.

He said that with innovation, things like robotics and the internet have become the need of the day.