Uttar Pradesh gears up to set up vast network of electric vehicle charging stations

Uttar Pradesh's government has formulated a 'Comprehensive Electric Mobility Plan' to make the state a leader in electric vehicles.

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UP govt plans to build EV charging stations on a large scale in UP

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<u>Uttar Pradesh</u> is committed to becoming a leader in electric vehicles (EVs) in India, according to a recent statement. To this end, the Yogi Adityanath government has launched an EV policy that seeks to promote EV manufacturing and provide adequate charging infrastructure to citizens. The urban development department has been tasked with setting up EV charging stations, and has begun extending the <u>Comprehensive Electric Mobility</u>

<u>*Plan*</u> (CEMP) to 17 cities with municipal corporations as soon as possible under the Smart City Mission, according to an ANI report.

A working group has also been formed to fast-track the development of charging infrastructure, according to the statement. The group is chaired by the additional chief secretary/principal secretary of the Urban Development Department, and includes members from various other departments and organizations.

The EV policy provides guidelines for land lease and revenue sharing models for both government and private entities setting up charging stations. Private entities will be selected based on the minimum service fee quoted in tender application forms. The revenue sharing rate and other parameters will be updated from time to time.

The state government is coordinating with NITI Aayog and the Asian Development Bank to prepare a CEMP for Lucknow, which will be launched in all 17 municipal corporation cities selected under the Smart City Mission as soon as possible, and extended to other cities in the future. The plan will identify strategic routes for the development of charging facilities, and will allow urban bodies and other government organizations to identify places and land parcels for charging infrastructure construction in a planned manner. A portal will be developed under the CEMP to provide necessary information regarding aspects of EV adoption.