

# UP Exports Have Increased 400 Times In 4 Yrs, To Help Make India \$5 Trn Economy, Says CM

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**Varanasi:** Terming Uttar Pradesh as the “land of immense potential”, Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath on Monday said that export from the state has increased 400 times in the last 3-4 years.

Flagging off the consignments of Langda mango and green chilli, packed for the first time at Kashi’s Integrated Pack House (IPH), the CM said, “Exports from Uttar Pradesh have increased 400 times in 3-4 years. UP alone exports products worth over Rs 19,000 crore and the target is to double the figure.”

“The income of farmers has more than doubled in the last nine years. UP will play an important role in making India a USD 5 trillion economy,” Yogi said. “From 2018, every farmer is getting the benefit of MSP one and a half times more than the cost. Besides, Rs 6,000 is being transferred to farmers’ bank accounts under PM’s Kisan Samman Nidhi”, CM Yogi remarked.

“UP has enormous potential. Under the visionary leadership of the PM, this pack house will help in boosting the supply chain for agriculture and horticulture products of UP, which have the capability to feed the world,” he said, adding that apart from cargo, the focus was also on sending shipments by utilising sea routes



CM Yogi Adityanath flags off the agri consignments from IPH in Varanasi on Monday

through waterways.

“In 2014, the PM promised to double the income of farmers by 2022. In nine years, his visionary scheme not only made it possible but also enhanced the export of agri products massively,” said Yogi.

“Before 2017, UP’s farmers were not capable of exporting their produce despite having a wish for it but measures initiated by the double engine government started yielding results and farmers from east UP region started exporting their rice, fresh vegetables and mango from Varanasi after 2020,” he said. Referring to the sweetness and aroma of Langda mango, Yogi said, “We have a lot to give to the world.”

“To encourage farmers to export their produce, the UP government is also giving subsidies of 15% on cargo facilities. Emerging as an agri export hub, this region has already sent fresh vegetables to London via New Delhi, fresh

mango to Dubai and London, exported fresh vegetables of Mirzapur, Ballia and other districts directly to Dubai, regional rice to Qatar, black rice of Chandauli to Australia, Azamgarh’s mango to London and Shahi litchi of Muzaffarnagar to London,” he said.

“A full cargo rail rack of non-Basmati rice was shipped from Mirzapur to Senegal in Africa while a trial shipment of green chilli rice had also been sent to the UAE,” the CM said.

He also highlighted the export of cereals, fruits, vegetables, jaggery, butter and other agriculture, horticulture and dairy products from other regions of UP in the last 4-5 years. The CM said that from 2020, fresh vegetables, fruits and other agricultural products are being sent to Delhi and now this facility has started from Lal Bahadur Shastri International Airport of Varanasi.