

Ashok Leyland to set up its first unit in UP; Yogi calls it 'milestone'

Lucknow: In a push to the state government's plans to promote electric vehicles in Uttar Pradesh, commercial vehicle manufacturer Ashok Leyland has signed an MoU with the UP government to set up an electric bus manufacturing plant in the state.

The MoU, signed in the presence of Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath, outlines the details of the facility which Ashok Leyland will establish, its first in UP. The company will set up an integrated commercial vehicle bus manufacturing plant, focused on e-mobility, at a cost of Rs 1,000 crore near Lucknow. It will concentrate on the production of e-buses but will also have the facility to assemble other vehicles which are operated on conventional fuel.

Calling the occasion a

UP largest consumer & labour market: CM

Calling Uttar Pradesh not just the largest consumer market but also the largest labour market in the country, CM Yogi Adityanath on Friday said the state was working to become the growth engine for the country and was integral to India's development journey. **P7**

'milestone' for the people of UP, the CM expressed surprise that Ashok Leyland had not come into UP earlier. "UP has a population of 25 crore, the highest in the country. It is the youth capital of India. The state is committed to providing security and facilities to all its investors," he said. TNN

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