

Mission Shakti-4 message to reach every UP dist

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Lucknow: The Mission Shakti-4 scheme, which was formally launched by chief minister Yogi Adityanath on Saturday, will be implemented across the state by various departments through multiple programmes between October 15 and 23.

Women empowerment rallies will be taken out in all districts, accompanied with awareness programmes. There will be a Mission Shakti race in the Gorakhpur zone and Ghaziabad commissionerate while women who have excelled in various fields will be honoured in Ayodhya and Moradabad. Awareness program-

mes will be held in schools, colleges and working women's hostels in the Varanasi district and Mathura district on October 16.

On October 17, a programme on gender equality, prevention of violence and social dignity for a victim will be organised in Meerut and Mirzapur. A day later, a public awareness regarding Mission Shakti will be conducted among women and children in the slums of Prayagraj and Gautam Buddh Nagar.

On October 19, awareness campaigns on self-defence and cybercrime will be held in Kanpur Nagar and Bareilly, followed by campaigns on child labour and prevention

'HCL committed to empowering women'

Chairperson of HCLTech and trustee of Shiv Nadar Foundation Roshni Nadar Malhotra on Saturday said, "HCL is the only global technology company that was born in UP, and today with nearly 45,000 employees is the largest private sector employer in the state in the technology sector. UP has been HCL's home for over 4 decades now, and it shall remain so always." Stressing on women empowerment, she said, "We are committed to empower women, 29% of total workforce are women and 99% of our women employees come back to work after motherhood. On the foundation side, over 50% of the beneficiaries under different initiatives are women and children." Thanking the UP government "for this honour and recognition", she said, "this gives more impetus to our efforts towards women empowerment and initiatives."

of child marriage in Agra headquarters and Chitrakoot on October 20. A day later, women who have excelled in va-

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ducted in schools, colleges and working women's hostels in Jhansi and Saharanpur.

On the occasion of Navmi, Lucknow commissioner will organise a programme in Lucknow and Devidhan-Balrampur districts on gender equality, prevention of violence and ensuring social dignity for victims. Special programmes will also be held on important days of Navratri in three districts which are home to Shaktipeeths. These include Saharanpur which is home to the Shaktipeeth of Ma Shakumbhari, Mirzapur, known for the Shaktipeeth of Ma Vindhyavasini and Devidhan, home to Ma Pateshwari's Shaktipeeth.