

'UP govt provided jobs to 6L youths in 6 yrs'

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Yogi said that the high school and intermediate board examinations conducted by the UP Secondary Education Board last year had set an example in the country with 56 lakh students appearing for the exams sans cheating.

The CM emphasized that principals should make

schools centres of creative activities and engage with parents. Along with the curriculum, students should also be given information about the country, the world and government schemes related to youth and women welfare. This, said the CM, not only imparts knowledge to the students but also raises awareness, making the principal's tenure memorable.

CM Yogi said that this is the same UP where there were security breaches in the previous governments. "The citizens of the state did not feel safe and there was a prevailing atmosphere of lawlessness and disorder. Riots and corruption used to be the hallmarks here. Investors were leaving the state due to these circumstances," said the CM.

"When our government provided a safe environment, the state received investment proposals worth Rs 38 lakh crore through the Global Investors Summit. This will provide jobs to more than one crore youth", he said.

The CM reiterated that his government has, in the last six years, provided jobs to six lakh youths in a fair and transparent manner, includ-

ing the appointment of 164,000 teachers.

UP, said Yogi, is the centre of spiritual and cultural heritage. The state receives the highest number of spiritual tourists in the country and there has been significant growth in this sector. Before 2017, only 1.5-2 crore tourists visited UP but now this number has increased to 30 crore tourists in a year.

Yogi mentioned that if collective efforts are made, UP can become the leading economy in the country. He also emphasized that UP is a centre for education. "During the time of Independence, the state provided teachers to various states in the country. We will again have to make efforts in that direction and raise an army of disciplined and patriot citizens," he said.