

Utilise vacant land stuck in dead industrial units: Nandi

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Lucknow: Minister for industrial development, Nand Gopal Gupta Nandi on Wednesday directed officials in the Varanasi region to work up ways to utilise the vacant land lying unused with dead and sick units.

"If solutions are not available, a process must be initiated to utilise the vacant land," instructed Nandi.



Minister Nand Gopal Gupta Nandi reviews industrial development progress in Varanasi

di in a review of industrial activities in Varanasi as he discussed the closure of certain units in the industrial sectors. Nandi instructed officials to identify the reasons for closures, starting with local-level efforts for resolution.

Addressing officials, Nandi emphasised the government's priority to promote industries in the industrial sectors, extend necessary assistance to entrepreneurs based on priority and establish industrial units.

MoU with Japan set to boost trade ties

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Lucknow: The Uttar Pradesh government is set to host a Japanese delegation soon.

Led by Japan's ambassador to India Hiroshi Suzuki, the delegation would sign MoUs for trade and cultural cooperation in the presence of chief minister Yogi Adityanath and industries minister Nand Gopal Gupta Nandi.

Government sources confirmed that the ambassador would meet the CM separately and hold bilateral discussion with him. Thereafter, the two will proceed for a formal ceremony where the MoU would be exchanged. Senior officers from Invest UP and department of industries and infrastructure development would make a presentation on the investment opportunities in the state.

He directed officials to focus on appropriate development of industrial sectors, provide all possible assistance to entrepreneurs based on priorities and play a significant role in setting up industrial units.

Additionally, the offici-

Information sourced from Invest UP showed that Japan is the fifth largest investor in India. In the past 23 years (since 2000), investment to the tune of \$38.7 billion has been made by companies from Japan.

In UP, seven companies from Japan have a base. The list includes Honda Motors, Yamaha Motors, Denso, Toyo Ink, Nissin ABC Logistics, Sekisui DLJM Moulding, Mitsui and Co.

"Ongoing efforts to make UP a \$1 trillion economy have created a canvas of opportunities for all prominent players," believes Nandi. He said that the silken thread of Lord Buddha, his teachings and places touched by his miracles also connect UP with Japan. "This bond can translate into great opportunities in tourism and pave the way for cooperation," the minister added.

als briefed him about the status of pending units in the industrial sectors.

He emphasized the need for clear information about the closed units in all industrial sectors, including the reasons for closure, duration and cause.