

Tata Sons' keen on infra devt in twin holy cities

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The CM, who was in Mumbai with a battery of ministers and officials, reached out to the captains of industries instead of inviting them to Lucknow. Ministers Satish Mahana, Siddharth Nath Singh, Satish Gopal Tandon, and senior bureaucrats Awanish Awasthi (UPEIDA CEO & ACS, Home) and Alog Tandon (IIDC) were also part of the delegation.

Tata Sons' chairman N Chandrabekharan assured the CM that his group showed interest in developing tourism infrastructure in and around the temple-city of Ayodhya and Prayagraj, passenger vehicles and charging infrastructure. He also discussed the possibilities of investments in the electronics city near the international Jewar airport.

L&T's CEO and MD SN Subramanyam during his discussions with the chief minister showed interest in the Ganga Expressway. The expressway between Meerut and Allahabad, has been the CM's dream project and UPEIDA had decided to raise funds through the PPP model. Therefore, the L&T's of-

fer must have come as a big morale-booster for the CM and UPEIDA CEO Awanish Awasthi. The company also showed its interest in setting up hospitals across the state. It has already won the contract for the construction of Ram temple in Ayodhya.

Niranjan Hiranandani, chairman and managing director of the Hiranandani group, evinced his interest in developing mixed use township, education and skill development centres for the construction labourers.

Sanjay Nayar, CEO of KKR India Advisors, pitched in for development of agri supply chain, mainly cold storages, farm mechanization, warehousing, tourism infra and building of hospitals. Suprakash Chaudhary, vice-president and MD of Siemens Industries discussed proposals for research and development in upcoming defence corridor. Mohammed Ali of Thomas Jefferson University gave a plan to set up a medical university near Jewar international airport.

Nabard chairman G Chintala explained about the ongoing plans and programmes of his organization and briefed about the loans and subsidies to the farmers.