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## Seaplane service to start from Ramgarh lake: CM

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Gorakhpur: Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath announced on Wednesday that a seaplane service will be launched soon from the Ramgarh Tal in Gorakhpur.

Speaking at the closing ceremony of Gorakhpur Mahotsav 2021, CM Yogi said, "Today, we have nine flights from Gorakhpur to all major cities in the country, and international flights would start from Kushinagar International Airport soon. In the coming days, in any emergency, people would be able to fly to any corner of the country from the circuit house by boarding a seaplane."

The seaplane service will give another travel option even as road and air connectivity from Gorakhpur is improving.

The CM said, "The speciality of seaplane is that it can land both in water and at the airport."

Yogi said the final assault on Covid-19 would start with vaccination from January 16 under the guidance of PM Narendra Modi and appealed to people to patiently wait for their turn for vaccination.

Stressing on Atmanirbhar Bharat and Vocal for Local, he said, "We started the one district one product (ODOP) scheme on January 24, 2018 to mark Uttar Pradesh foundation day. UP Diwas was never celebrated earlier."

Yogi said that recent Diwali was unique as China-made diyas and Lakshmi-Ganesh idols were shunned and local products were used after many years. "A terracotta artist from Gorakhpur sold products worth Rs 8 lakh at Lucknow Shilp Mela in just three days," he added.

CM Yogi said that Gorakhpur has the potential to become a garment manufacturing hub and the state government is making all efforts for it.

Referring to the year-long celebrations to mark the 100 years of Chauri Chaura incident, Yogi said, "Chauri Chaura incident on February 4 gave a new turn to the freedom struggle. Programmes would be held at all martyr memorials in each district to pay tributes to freedom fighters and martyrs."

Ministers Sidharth Nath Singh, Dr Neelkanth Tiwari, MP Ravi Kishan Shukla and other dignitaries were also present on the occasion.

BOX

CM unfurls UP's highest tricolour

Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath also virtually inaugurated the Buddhadwar Gate at Padleyganj and unfurled the state's highest tricolor at Ramgarh lake. The tricolor is 246 feet high and 540 square feet in area and can be seen from 15 km distance.

BOX

CM confers Gorakhpur Ratna

award on nine eminent people

Chief minister Yogi Adityanath also distributed nine tricycles to differently abled people personally as total 100 tricycles were distributed.

He also gave Gorakhpur Ratna award to nine eminent personalities of Gorakhpur, including bhajan singer Nandu Mishra, chief warden, civil defence, Dr Sanjeev Gulati, ophthalmologist Dr Narendra Mohan Seth, Meenakshi Narayan, a team member of discovering God particle, Dr Ram Chet Chowdhary for finding five varieties of Kalanamak rice, hockey player Olympian Ali Syeed, Arjun awardee hockey player Prem Maya, international wrestler Amarnath Yadav and industrialist Jyoti Maskara.