

# Min meets 40 biz bigwigs in Mum

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**Lucknow:** Investment promotion minister Sidharth Nath Singh represented Uttar Pradesh at a meeting with potential investors in Mumbai on Friday and interacted with more than 40 industry representatives. The minister had one-on-one with investors,

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who expressed interest in electric vehicle manufacturing, logistics, defence and film sectors in UP.

Top businessmen, including Ashok Goel, chairperson and managing director of BLR Logistics, Ajay Thakur, SME head of Bombay Stock Exchange, Vijay Karia, chairperson and MD of Ravin Group, S C Deshmukh, president of Defence Equipment Manufacturers Association and Kamal Nathani, producer and director of KNC Media were in

the meeting. Singh said, UP has world-class infrastructure with a web of expressways and an upcoming greenfield airport at Jewar. Along with a 100-acre freight village in Varanasi, UP is offering more than 1 lakh acres for industrialisation, 28,000-acre of which has already been acquired. He also mentioned more than 20 sectoral policies the government has implemented for promotion of specific sectors like IT and warehousing.

“UP is among top five manufacturing states and has the highest number of SMEs in India. Post-pandemic, the state government has renewed focus on promoting new industries and sectors like infrastructure, aerospace, logistics, defence, electric vehicle manufacturing, IT & electronics,” the minister said. He said, the government was promoting MSME park, electronics park, apparel park, handicraft park and toy park.