

UP eyes investment from Canada in tech

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Lucknow: To promote UP as a preferred industrial destination and to invite foreign investment, MSME and investment minister Sidharth Nath Singh met Canadian high commissioner Nadir Patel and minister (commercial) Andrew Smith in Delhi on Wednesday.

Singh has invited the high commissioner to visit Lucknow, which he said he would do in the coming days. He sought details from the minister of large projects in which the Canadian government can invest the Canadian Pension

Fund. "The high commissioner has expressed interest in infrastructure projects like expressways, Metro and airport, solar technology, agriculture science, food processing etc," Singh said.

The three also discussed 'one district-one product' scheme. The minister gave them details about the scheme, its implementation and the extent to which small and traditional crafts of the state have become a major source of exports for UP. The high commissioner said that they would be interested in the use of Canadian technology in agriculture and start-ups.