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Six top Australian varsity campuses in UP likely

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LUCKNOW: Deputy Chief Minister Dinesh Sharma presented a proposal of opening campuses of six top Australian universities in Uttar Pradesh to Australian High Commissioner Barry O'Farrell on Friday. At a meeting with the Australian high commissioner, the Deputy CM discussed possibilities and scope of investment in various sectors of the state.

"I informed him that UP is the most populated state in the country and the UP Madhyamik Shiksha is the largest board in the world where around 56 lakh candidates appear for classes 10 and 12 examinations every year. Students of the state need international exposure hence a student exchange programme between the two countries can be held," said Dy CM.

The discussions on strengthening of sports, exchange programmes (for secondary education and higher education), skill development and employment information and facilitation and other were also held

Impressed with the way the state handled the pandemic situation and its development in the IT and education sector the Australian commissioner said, "India's educational policies are encouraging for foreign universities, including Australia, to consider establishing campuses in states like Uttar Pradesh."

The Australian high commissioner also met Prof Sudhir Panwar of Lucknow University's zoology department at his residence on the LU campus. In an informal meeting with the professor, the high commissioner discussed the growth of various sectors in UP. "We discussed the potential of Uttar Pradesh in various fields, be it education, perfumery or others. I explained to him that the state has a favourable climatic condition and fertile soil that can make it a leader in the agriculture sector."