

# Niti Aayog hails development in Uttar Pradesh's aspirational districts



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LUCKNOW: In a meeting with [Niti Aayog](#) vice chairperson Dr Rajiv Kumar and his team on Monday, chief minister Yogi Adityanath directed his officials to hold quarterly meetings with planning body officials to improve coordination between various departments of the state and central governments.

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The CM said the state government has been working extensively in nutrition, health, education, rural development, sanitation and drinking water, irrigation and water resources, industry, agriculture, power, Namami Gange and rural water supply, MSME, urban development, housing and urban planning, health education sectors.

"A plan has been formulated for the eight aspirational districts to ensure progress in these areas. Along with ease of doing business, programmes have been launched to achieve the goal of ease of living. As a result of the work done by the government, UP has emerged as a hub of investments in the country. Expansion of health facilities is on high priority and work is on to establish at least one medical college in each district," Yogi said.

Improvement in primary education was a priority, the CM said while commending the work done by the education department in ensuring the enrolment of students goes up. The Kayakalp Abhiyan has also brought positive changes, he added.

Rooftop solar power and electric vehicles are being promoted and irrigation facilities have improved in Bundelkhand. "The Namami Gange scheme projects are being completed on schedule. Fruit trees' plantation and organic farming are being promoted on land near the riverbank," he said. Kumar appreciated the work done in the state over the past four-and-a-half years, especially in the aspirational districts. He said major improvements have been seen in these districts after implementation of development works there.