

# Lulu Food Park to be set up in Greater Noida

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LUCKNOW: In a crucial step towards setting up the state's largest food processing plant, Greater Noida Authority CEO Narendra Bhooshan handed over the possession letter to establish the Lulu Food Park in Greater Noida to Fair India Exports Company CMD Yusuf Ali MA.

The food park is slated to be the largest in UP and will come up in Greater Noida's Sector Ecotech-10 in an area of 20acre. The expected investment in the project is Rs 500 crore and the park is likely to be ready within a year from now.

"The food park will provide several opportunities to the youth and farmers of this region. Direct employment generation through the park is slated at 700, while 1,000 indirect jobs will be created. Farmers will also get a good price for their produce. The food park will have the facility to process fruits

and vegetable through the most modern means and will package them for export," said a government spokesperson.

The Lulu Food Park will have a storage capacity of 20,000 tonnes for products like milk, agricultural produce and ready to eat packaged food. Most of the food items stored here will be meant for export to central Asian countries among others.

Bhushan said that the Lulu Food Park will provide a major boost to local farming.

"Farmers will be able to get better price for their produce as they will be able to store their crops and sell at higher prices," he said.

The Lulu Mall, which is being constructed at a cost of Rs 2,000 crore in state capital Lucknow, is also scheduled for inauguration in the coming weeks.

The mall, said to be the largest in north India, is coming up in an area of 11 acre and will generate 5,000 direct and 10,000 indirect jobs.