

State has entered new era, powering India growth: Min

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Lucknow: Assuring a red-carpet welcome to investors willing to advance their ideas and resources in Uttar Pradesh, cabinet minister for industries and infrastructure development Nand Gopal Gupta 'Nandi' on Friday said the department was working with a problem-solving attitude to ensure ease of doing business in UP.

“In the past five years, a culture of harmony between the government, industries department and entrepreneurs has taken shape in the state. Now is the time to reap the benefits of this extraordinary transformation which defines UP,” the minister said.

Nandi said the participation of investors in the ceremony has contributed to its success and hoped that the relationship between them and UP will strengthen. “UP has entered a new era which is powering the growth of India. It is a system of governance which has shunned the legacy of its tainted past and is surprising investors with its transparent work culture,” he said.

Taking a jibe at the previous governments of UP, he said: “Development story of UP is no longer limited to Amethi or Saifai. What makes UP truly unique is its balance between tradition and modernity. While on one hand, Ayodhya, Mathura, Kashi and Kushinagar have been transformed for the ease of believers, the state is creating new records in IT, defence manufacturing, textiles, agriculture and allied businesses and marching towards the goal of becoming a trillion-dollar economy.”

Nandi said investments of Rs 80,000 crore had been pledged by investors, which is more than the amount committed in previous two ceremonies. He also took the opportunity to thank the departmental workforce.