## ₹1,300-crore facelift for int'l airport in Lucknow: Rajnath

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**LUCKNOW:** Defence minister Rajnath Singh on Tuesday said that ₹1,300 crore had been sanctioned for a grand makeover of the international airport in Lucknow.

"When construction work is over and the airport is ready, people from across the globe would get to visit the state capital easily. This increased footfall of global tourists would lead to more direct and indirect employment," he said while interacting with people of his Lok Sabha constituency on the second day of his three-day visit to the state capital.

The minister also said he wanted a centre of Chandigarh



Defence minister Rajnath Singh being welcomed during an event in Lucknow on Tuesday. Related story on page 3 DEEPAK GUPTA/HT PHOTO

University to open in Lucknow. "Nearly 3 to 4 acres of land required for the purpose wasn't available in Lucknow and that is why now Unnao is being

looked at as an alternative venue," he said.

Rajnath travelled by the Lalkuan-Aishbagh overbridge

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