

GIS roadshows abroad evoke brisk response

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Lucknow: With the international roadshows to invite investments in Uttar Pradesh ahead of the Global Investors' Summit-2023 coming to an end, UP has managed to get several MoUs in its kitty.

In the last leg of these meetings, the state got offers of investment from companies in San Francisco, Tokyo, Singapore and the Netherlands.

A delegation led by jal shakti minister Swatantra Dev Singh attended a round table conference in Singapore where over 20 companies participated and discussed investment opportunities in sectors like defence, basic infrastructure, education and urban development. MoUs worth Rs 8,500 crore were also signed in collaboration with Enterprise Singapore. The Indian delegation also met the minister of trade and industry of Singapore.

In addition to this, MoUs were also signed between Western Sydney University Parramatta and Gautam Buddha University in Noida-Greater Noida for cooperation and investment in areas such as urban agriculture, urban forestry, greening in cities, water conservation and student exchange programmes.

In Japan, tourism and culture minister Jaiveer Singh and technical education minister Ashish Patel met Kunihiro Funakoshi of Sysmex Corporation. Sysmex already has a presence in India and expressed its desire to expand its investment in medical device parks in UP.

The delegation discussed pharmaceutical advancement with Hiroyuki Akatsuka, associate director at the



Jal Shakti minister Swatantra Dev Singh in Singapore

Life Science Industry Division of the Osaka Prefectural Government and Masafumi Yamagishi, MD, Kansai Pharmaceutical Industries Association, regarding investment in the Kobe Biomedical Innovation Cluster.

The delegation also signed a Rs 5,000-crore MoU with Akihiko Yamashiro of One World Corporation in Tokyo for the development of waste management facilities at Gautam Buddha Nagar. Another MoU of Rs 10,000 crore was signed with Nissenken Quality Evaluation Center for a textile park.

A delegation led by deputy CM Keshav Prasad Maurya and IT minister

Yogendra Upadhyay met Peter Potman,

deputy director general of external affairs, ministry of external affairs in the Netherlands and discussed cooperation in the fields of food processing, agriculture and dairy sectors.

They also visited the World Horticulture Centre where they held a meeting with the director of Business Development (India) Desh Ramnath.

In Canada, assembly speaker Satish Mahana, animal husbandry minister Dharma Pal Singh and chief secretary DS Mishra visited the British Columbia Institute of Technology. The Consulate Gene-

ral of India, in collaboration with the British Columbia Council for International Education (BCCIE), organised a round table conference and networking event for the delegation. The delegation has signed six MoUs worth Rs 1,200 crore with Canadian companies.

Industrial development minister Nand Gopal Gupta, public works minister Jitin Prasada and additional chief secretary Navneet Sehgal visited the headquarters of weapons maker Saab in Stockholm. The company expressed its desire to set up a weapon system plant in UP and were offered land near the Ali-

garh node in the defence corridor. The company is

planning to set up a Karl Gustaf Weapon System manufacturing plant in the state. The delegation also visited Ericsson studio where the company agreed to invest in AI, automation and nanotechnology.

Meanwhile, finance minister Suresh Khanna and MLA Siddharth Nath Singh met industry representatives of the Bay Area Council in San Francisco. They visited Stanford University and held discussions with Neeraj Bhatia, a certified public accountant in San Francisco, and Rose Cheung, president of Radiant Energy LLC.

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