

# UP to prioritise health, education, law & order and infra development

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**Lucknow:** Uttar Pradesh government on Sunday said that its focus in the New Year will be on health sector, law and order, tourism, education and infrastructure development as it wants to ensure that people get better health facilities.

Spelling out its priorities, the state government said in a statement that emphasis will be laid on making the state's education system smarter with the help of the latest technologies.

"Children will be given education through smart classes at basic, junior and secondary levels whereas two tablets each will be given to each school," the government said in a statement.

According to a state government spokesperson, from the New Year, attendance of children will be marked

through face reading. In addition, 77 textbooks will be available on QR code while pocket charts of syllabus will be provided to the teachers. Also, the vehicle carrying the question paper will be equipped with GPS and its route will also be decided. In order to strengthen the health infrastruc-

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ture of the state, the state government will be rolling out health ATMs to all 4,600 wellness centres in the state.

"With its launch, the patient will be able to get the facility of 60 tests. Teleconsultation facilities will also be available at health centres," the spokesperson said, adding that all the PHCs and CHCs of the state will be connected with SGPGI and people will not have to run to the medical college for minor problems.

On the law and order front, the state government will be purchasing drones equipped with state-of-the-art technology by the UP Police to maintain peace and order in the state along with curbing crime. "A robust law and order has always been one of the top priorities of the state government in the last five and a half years. UP has witnessed the re-establishment of rule of law in the state as well as significant drop in the incidents of crime," the spokesperson said.

Moreover, all the police stations will be fully equipped with CCTVs. A total of 3,000 hi-tech CCTV cameras are being installed in jails for monitoring of the prisoners. These CCTVs are being installed in 30 jails of the state so that the trial of prisoners could be conducted through videoconferencing from inside the jail itself with no need for them to

be present physically in courts, the government said.

Likewise, in case of rural development, the state government would be organising chaupals in rural areas to solve problems faced by villagers and give momentum to the development of villages from January. Rural development commissioner GS Priyadarshi said that Gram Chaupal would be organized in three-gram panchayats of each development block on every Friday from January.

Similarly, the Uttar Pradesh State Industrial Development Authority (UPSIDA) has prepared a landbank of more than 15,000 acres as part of the state government's goal to make the state a \$1 trillion economy. "Global companies coming to GIS-23 will not face any problem in setting up their plants and projects in the state," the spokesperson said.