

# Denmark to set up river laboratory for cleaning of Ganga

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**Lucknow:** Soon a 'river laboratory' will be set up in Varanasi to clean the Ganga.

A memorandum of understanding of Rs 1,000 crore was signed between the governments of Denmark and UP for cleaning the Ganga and its tributary river Varuna during the Global Investors Summit (GIS) 2023 held at Vrindavan Yojana on Friday.

During the Denmark partner country session held at the GIS summit, the Denmark government committed to set up a 'smart river laboratory' that will ensure purity, serenity and a pollution-free Ganga. The MoU was signed by Jal Shakti minister Swatantra Dev Singh and Denmark government minister of cooperation, development and global climate policy Dan Jorgensen.

"India is emerging as the world's biggest power and Uttar Pradesh is the strength of India. We look forward to working with the UP government under the visionary leadership of chief minister Yogi Adityanath," said Jorgensen. Talking about India-Denmark Green Strategic Partnership that focuses on sectors such as renewable energy, water, environment, circular economy and smart cities he said: "This strategic partnership sets direction based on scale, skills, speed, scope and sustainability."

He said, "India and Denmark's relationship and bond is decades old. Even during challenging times like Covid-19 pandemic the two governments had a supportive hand-holding for each other". Singh said under the leadership of PM Narendra Modi, India is continuously working with Denmark to save the environment through green partnerships.