

# GIS venue to have 7 blocks, seating capacity for 10,000

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**Lucknow:** With GIS just days away, the pace of activity has picked up at the venue of the event, Vrindavan Yojna in Lucknow. The venue has been divided into seven blocks. The first block, where the opening ceremony will take place, will have a seating arrangement for about 10,000 people and it is from here that PM Narendra Modi will address the gathering after inaugurating the event.

Adjacent to this block will be the VIP lounges and those for partner countries like Netherlands, Denmark, Singapore, Japan, South Korea, Australia, UK, United Arab

Emirates, Italy and Mauritius, industry partners and knowledge partners. A food court is also being set up.

“In view of the PM’s arrival, security arrangements are being strengthened at the venue and it is also being equipped to deal with medical emergencies. Next to the lounges there is a block with four hangers. The various departmental sessions will take place in these hangers. Each hanger can accommodate 250 persons,” said a government spokesperson.

A media centre is being built in the third block from where the programme will be telecast live. The office of Invest UP has also been set up in

this block, along with the police control room from where senior officers will be monitoring the premises through an extensive network of CCTV cameras.

The fourth block is being established for the pre-function events, where various cultural activities will take place. The fifth block will host the drone show for which an audience gallery is also being built. The sixth block is being prepared for B2B meetings. The fire, safety and medical zones are also being set up in this block for any emergency situation. The seventh is being prepared for the exhibition, which will have a total of 11 halls.