UP creates new identity for itself, leads the way in driving India's growth: Hon'ble PM Modi

Improvement in every field in the state in 5-6 years, from electricity to connectivity, says PM

Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurates UP Global Investors Summit-2023 in presence of host of ministers, dignitaries

Lucknow, February 10: If India is considered a 'bright spot' in the globe, Uttar Pradesh is playing leadership role in driving India's growth, said Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Friday.

Addressing the eminent entrepreneurs-investors of the country and the world at the inaugural session of Global Investors Summit 2023 (UP GIS-2023) at Valmiki Main Hall, Vrindavan Yojna, the Prime Minister described the state as the hope of the country and said: "Uttar Pradesh has created a hew identity for itself in the last five-six years. There has been improvement in every field from electricity to connectivity", the PM remarked.

"Uttar Pradesh despite its rich culture and history had become a BEMARU state in the past. The law and order situation seemed irreparable and development impossible in the state while scams of thousands of crores of rupees had become a routine affair and people had given up on hope for the state", the PM remarked.

He added that Uttar Pradesh today is known for good governance, better law and order, peace and stability. The state boasts of modern infrastructure and very soon it will be known as the first state to have five international airports in the country, the PM pointed out, adding that it is getting connected to the sea and to the ports of Gujarat and Maharashtra through a dedicated freight corridor. The Prime Minister said that new opportunities are being created for wealth creators in the state everyday.

The Prime Minister remarked that India has exhibited great resilience in the post Covid times and has become the fastest growing economy of the world with experts around the world being convinced of the fact that the country's economy will continue to grow at such a fast pace. He attributed it to the growing aspirations and confidence of the people which was pushing the governments to perform.

"Today every citizen of India wants to see more and more development, wants to see India develop. The state in which you are sitting today has a population of 25 crores, which is higher than the population of many countries. Today, work is being done on social, physical and digital infrastructure in India and UP has got maximum benefit from it", PM Modi said, pointing out that the society has become inclusive socially and financially because of these works.

PM Modi said that with government procedures getting easier, India is on the path of speed and scale, fulfilling the basic needs of a very large section. India does not reform 'out of

compulsion' but 'out of conviction', he said, pointing out that this is the reason why India has abolished more than 40,000 compliances and has abolished dozens of old laws.

Inviting investors to invest in Uttar Pradesh, the PM said that the Uttar Pradesh government and the bureaucracy have embarked on the path of progress with determination. "To make your (investors and entrepreneurs) dreams come true, it is standing with you at every step."

Stressing that the prosperity of the world lies in the prosperity of India and that the bright future of India is the guarantee of the bright future of the world, Modi said that India has come out of the shocks of war and pandemic and has become the feasted growing economy of the world and will continue to grow at the same pace.

PM Modi said that commendable work has also been done in Uttar Pradesh on education and skill development. Many institutions like Mahayogi Guru Gorakhnath Ayush University, Atal Bihari Vajpayee Health University, Raja Mahendra Pratap Singh University, Major Dhyan Chand Sports University will prepare youths for different skills, he said informing that more than 16 lakh youth of UP have been trained in different skills under the Skill Development Mission so far. "UP government has also started courses related to artificial intelligence in PGI Lucknow IIT Kanpur. It is a matter of great pride for Uttar Pradesh that this time four universities of Uttar Pradesh have made India proud in the NAAC evaluation."

The PM said that the role of UP in the startup revaluation of the country is continuously increasing with the UP government having set a target of setting up 100 incubators and 33 state-of-the-art centers in the coming years. "That is, the investors coming here are also going to get a huge pool of skilled and qualified youth", he remarked.

The Prime Minister told the investors about the opportunities available in the infrastructure sector with record allocation for it in the budget, which continues to increase every year, as well as in health and education sectors.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi said that India has embarked on green growth and has made budgetary provision of Rs 35,000 crore for energy transition in this year's budget, which along with Mission Green Hydrogen shows the intention of India. The PM said that several steps have been taken in this budget to develop the entire ecosystem related to green growth.

The Prime Minister also talked about the strong network of MSMEs consisting of a large number of industries linked to tradition and modernity, mentioning in this context Bhadohi carpets and Banarasi silk. He said that with the presence of Bhadohi Carpet Cluster and Varanasi Silk Cluster UP is the textile hub of India.

He added that today more than 60 percent of the total mobile manufacturing in India as well as making of maximum of its components takes place in Uttar Pradesh alone.

PM Modi further remarked that work is going on at a fast pace on the two defence corridors of the country, one of which is located in UP. "Today the demand for Made in India Defense Equipment is increasing continuously. We are also committed to providing maximum Made in India defence systems and platforms to the Indian Army. This great work is being led by our

Karmaveer Rajnath Singh ji from the land of Lucknow. At a time when India is developing a vibrant defense industry, you must take the first mover advantage."

The Prime Minister urged the investors to also explore opportunities in Dairy, Fisheries, Agriculture and Food Processing sectors in Uttar Pradesh as the state had immense possibilities in these sectors. He said that UP has a wide variety of fruits and vegetables, but the participation of the private sector is still very limited in this sector in the state. He told that the Production Link Incentive Scheme has been brought for food processing for investors to take advantage. "Smaller investors can use Agri Infra Fund. Similarly, provision has been made in the budget to develop huge storage capacity across the country. This is also a great opportunity for small investors", the PM said.

The Prime Minister said that the government's focus is also on crop diversification. He said, "We are trying to reduce the cost of farmers while enhancing their income. That's why we are fast moving towards natural farming. Here in UP, natural farming has started in an area of five kilometers on both sides of the Ganges. In this year's budget, it has been announced to build 10,000 Bioinfo Resort Centers to help the farmers. This will further encourage natural farming. There is a great opportunity for private investors in this field as well", the PM said.

After inaugurating the Global Investors Summit by pressing the button of the remote, the Prime Minister also watched the short film displayed on Uttar Pradesh's spectacular developmental journey.

UPGIS 2023: Investors hail PM Modi & CM Yogi for driving change

UP's golden era has begun, says Mukesh Ambani

Lucknow, February 10, 2023: Hailing the Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath for driving change in the country and the state respectively, the leading industrialists of the country and abroad, said on Friday that the UP Global Investors Summit (GIS), 2023, was going to play a big role in fulfilling the CM's goal of making the state a \$1 trillion economy. The industrialists exuded confidence in Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath's leadership and described UP as the most reliable state for investors.

Reliance Industries' CMD, Mukesh Ambani, said: "Uttar Pradesh is on way to become Uttam Pradesh. The UP government has created a good environment for investment by facilitating infrastructure such as highways, expressways, and rail traffic, in addition to making the state crime-free. Today, UP has become a hub of investment because of its transparent policies, reforms, and strict law and order. Uttar Pradesh has become the center of hope for a new India."

He added: "The golden era of UP has begun. Both industry and cooperation are needed for the development of the state. UP is becoming an 'enterprise state' by imbibing the mantra of PM

Modi, 'Reform, Perform and Transform.' There is a greater harmony between rural and urban India in UP. In order for India to become a \$5 trillion economy, UP must become a \$1 trillion economy state. The state is making progress toward this goal under the leadership of CM Yogi."

Ambani said that Reliance Jio would complete its rollout of 5G in UP covering every town and village of the state by December 2023 and that the company planned to invest an additional Rs 75,000 crores in the next four years across Jio, retail and renewable energy businesses providing an additional 1 lakh jobs to the youths of the state.

He further remarked that Reliance Industries is working in the field of bioenergy and that the venture would benefit farmers as well as help with solid waste management and improve the environment. "In a nutshell, Reliance will continue to work for UP, jee jaan se," he said.

Noida Int'l Airport will provide new opportunities for development: Daniel Bircher

Daniel Bircher, CEO of Zurich Airport of Asia, said that "CM Yogi Adityanath has emerged as the major indicator of development. Due to his cooperation, the Noida International Airport is able to take shape. Noida International Airport is the best example of private-public partnership. This airport will provide new opportunities for the state's development and will also be crucial in the development of western UP."

Immense possibilities of development in UP: Chandrasekaran

Tata Sons Chairman N Chandrasekaran, said: "There is immense potential for development in UP. The agriculture and manufacturing sectors are expected to grow in tandem in UP. The sectors can significantly contribute to the government's goal of making UP a trillion-dollar economy, creating jobs and a better quality of life. Tata Group will be a big contributor to the development of UP."

On the supply chain, he said, government policies, production-linked incentives, and the Prime Minister's vision to make India a leader in the most important sectors in the future would drive huge investment for the country.