

# U.P. may exceed investment target of ₹17.33L cr

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**LUCKNOW :** With its international and domestic roadshows already attracting investment proposals worth about Rs 16,000 crore, the state government is heading towards achieving or exceeding the investment targets of Rs 17.33 lakh crore at the UP Global Investors Summit-2023 (UPGIS-2023) scheduled at Lucknow from February 10 to 12.

Initially, the government had set a target of attracting investments of Rs 10 lakh crore at the GIS. But chief minister Yogi Adityanath decided to revise the targets upwards to Rs 17.33 lakh crore.

Claiming that the response to the roadshows had been good everywhere, the UP government has now begun analysing all the proposals for investment and take appropriate action to implement them. Senior officers of the state government, however, refused to share any sector-wise details of the proposals received till now at different roadshows and other events.

Those aware of the developments admitted that the achievements may exceed the targets.

## INVESTMENT PROPOSALS

- Int'l roadshows - ₹7.12L cr
- Mumbai - ₹5L cr
- New Delhi - ₹2.75L cr
- Chennai - ₹9,000 cr
- Bengaluru - ₹25,000 cr
- Kolkata - ₹7,000 cr
- Chandigarh - ₹9,000 cr
- Ahmedabad - ₹38,000 crore
- Hyderabad - ₹25,000 crore

"We've got good response at the roadshows and are now analyzing all investment proposals with different departments. Preparations are underway for the UPGIS. We are arranging accommodation for the delegates and the city is being decked up. There are going to be sector-specific and country-specific sessions at the UPGIS. Construction work is on at the site and our site office is being shifted there," said Arvind Kumar, infrastructure and industrial development commissioner. Though all the investment proposals may not necessarily get to the ground, industrial development minister Nand Gopal 'Nandi' had already claimed that the state government would be able to get investments of about Rs 20 lakh crore. The CM also declared that the state government implemented proposals of Rs 4 lakh crore after receiving investment proposals of about

Rs 4.64 lakh crore at the UP Investors Summit-2018.

Adityanath had sent eight teams to hold international roadshows in 21 major cities of 16 countries from December 9 to 21, 2022. The state government claimed that its international roadshows received investment proposals of Rs 7.12 lakh crore. Its domestic roadshows that began in Mumbai on January and ended in Chandigarh on January 27 were estimated to have received investment proposals of about Rs 8.88 lakh crore.

The state government had also been holding divisional/district level roadshows/investors summits. Its divisional/district level events also received encouraging response and officials indicated that investment intents of Rs 1.50 lakh crore had already been received and more may come in the next few days ahead of the GIS. Besides, the UP government's Ayush Summit organized here early this week received investment proposals worth Rs 2,800 crore. The state government had consistently been claiming that investment proposals in some sectors were already exceeding the targets.

It created a buzz for the UPGIS-2023 by deciding to deploy 48 retired IAS, IPS officers and serving academicians to educate children at 61 universities about the state government's policies and efforts being made to attract investments in the run-up to GIS.



Tents at Global Investors Summit site at Vrindavan Yojana.

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## From helipad to food court, GIS venue being decked up to welcome PM & VVIPs

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**LUCKNOW :** All eyes will be on Lucknow (and Uttar Pradesh at large) between February 10 and 12 when the state is scheduled to host the Global Investors' Summit. Acknowledging that the proposed summit is a crucial medium for the U.P. govern-

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site," said municipal commissioner Inderjeet Singh. The venue of GIS has been divided into seven blocks. The opening ceremony will be held in the first block. In this block, seating arrangements have been made for about 10,000 people. Here, the PM will address industrialists from abroad and the country after inaugurating the event.

inspected the site today," said Lucknow DM Suryapal Gangwar. According to the blueprint of the GIS venue, a media centre is being built in the third block from where the live telecast of the program will take place and news will be updated in real-time. The office of Invest UP is also being set up in this block. Also, a police control room has

## LAKSHMAN STATUE TO BE BROUGHT TO LKO BEFORE FEB 5

**LUCKNOW :** A bronze statue of Lord Lakshman to be installed near Chaudhary Charan Singh Airport here is ready in Noida. Prepared by noted sculptor Ram Sutar, it will be installed at the roundabout between Kanpur road and the airport. The 15-ft-tall statue to be brought to Lucknow before February 5 will showcase the city's rich history before the guests who will arrive in the city to grace the Global Investors Summit-2023 in, said officials. "The statue of Lord Lakshman at the crossing of the airport is the perfect way of telling the world who established Lucknow and how old our culture is," said Inderjeet Singh, municipal commissioner. According to one legend, the city is named after Lakshman, the younger brother of Lord Ram, the protagonist of Sanskrit epic Ramayan.

## ARTS COLLEGE STUDENTS HOLD EXHIBITION

**LUCKNOW :** An art exhibition was organized by the students of the