

# Conclave to discuss ways to make UP USD 1 tn economy

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**Lucknow:** How technical innovations across the farm value chain can boost farmer's income, paving the way for a USD 1 trillion state economy?

The topic is set to be part of a key discussion at the UP Agri-Tech Conclave organized by the state government on Monday.

The conclave, hosted by the state agriculture department, at the Indira Gandhi Pratishthan, will see at least five agri-tech start-ups discussing the topic in the presence of Deloitte, the state government appointed consultant for achieving the target of lifting the state's eco-

nomy to USD 1 trillion.

The event, which will be inaugurated by state agriculture minister Surya Pratap Shahi and attended by top officials from the department, will also have participants from the Farmer Pro-

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ducer Organisations (FPOs), Agri-investors and agri-economy players. Officials in the agriculture department said that FPOs have consistently been projected as major players in the agricultural economy. "The state government has been supporting their emergence

and the role they can play in boosting farm income," said a senior official in the agriculture department.

Likewise, the state government looks to boost the state's agricultural value by investing about Rs 3,800 crore in agri start-ups during the financial year 2023-24, sources said. Officials said that the new ventures could potentially focus on seeds, fertilisers, warehousing and food processing units, etc. Reports said that the state government has been planning to approve agri-start-ups in each of the 75 districts in UP.

The success stories of the FPOs working with the agri-tech start-ups would be part of a panel discussion.