

# Govt committed to planned growth of cities: Adityanath

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**Lucknow:** Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath on Tuesday said as development was taking place all over the state, urbanisation was also rising and the UP government was committed to continuous and well-planned growth of cities.

Yogi said this while meeting a team of urban development department which made a presentation before the CM at his official residence regarding various development schemes being carried out by it. Yogi said through the Akankshinagar Yojana, the state government was promoting development work in urban areas through healthy competition among them.

As many as 16 indicators have been identified for this purpose. The scheme would be implemented in a way that all municipal bodies can benefit from it.

"Sufficient manpower should be made available in the municipalities included in the Aspirational City Scheme. CM

Fellows should be deployed to effectively execute development work in these municipalities. Proper training should be provided to CM Fellows, and timely data should be made available," the CM said.

Yogi said Kalyan Mandapams are being constructed by the department to facilitate the weddings of girls from economically weaker sections and other cultural events.

"These Kalyan Mandapams would be integrated with the Uttar Pradesh Mathrubhumi scheme and MLA funds would be utilized for their construction," he said.

The Chief Minister further said the development of basic amenities in religious and historical sites in urban areas should be carried out through convergence. "All development authorities should progress towards self-reliance. Green road infrastructure in urban areas should be developed in an organised manner. Organised resettlement of destitute/stray animals should be ensured in cities," he added.