

# Kashi stadium will have seating capacity of 30k

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Sportsmen from Varanasi and adjoining districts will be invited to attend the event.”

After completion of land acquisition for the proposed stadium at Ganzari and awarding of contract to L&T for its construction by UPCA, efforts are being intensified to expedite the basic formalities with the help of the district administration to ensure that the PM lays foundation of the project during his next Varanasi visit.

The commissioner and UPCA had also held a meeting with all departments concerned, including Varanasi Development Authority, zila panchayat, ground water, forest, UP Pollution Control Board and others on September 2 to sort out the issues.

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The commissioner said, “L&T has almost finalised the design and drawing of the proposed stadium and further action on it including approval from UPCA followed by seeking no-objection certificates from forest and ground water and other departments will be started soon. On the demand of UPCA, consultants to complete

formalities for seeking NOCs from VDA and UPPCB have also been arranged.”

“Preparation of a 3D model and detailing of the project would be completed soon, after which L&T would start the process of levelling the acquired land and constructing the boundary wall,” he said. “The state government has spent Rs 120 crore to acquire land for this project,” he said, adding, “Rs 330 crore would be spent on the construction of the stadium. With the completion of the Rs 450 crore project, the international cricket stadium with 30,000 seating capacity would become ready to host international cricket matches.” The commissioner said that development of roads and other facilities in the vicinity of the proposed stadium would also be started soon.