

Inland Water Authority to boost cruise services: CM

INAUGURATES LAKE QUEEN CRUISE IN RAMGARH TAAL

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Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath, on Friday, said the Inland Water Authority formed by his government in the land-locked state to start inland waterway services in rivers like Rapti, Saryu, Ganga and Yamuna was expected to boost cruise services and generate employment on a large-scale.

Inaugurating the Queen Lake Cruise as a unique centre of tourism at Ramgarh Tal Lake here, the chief minister said, "In line with Prime Minister Narendra Modi's vision, the development of tourism facilities in the state is being carried out."

The chief minister said that roads were being upgraded from two-lane to four-lane, six-lane,

eight-lane and 12-lanes, adding the rail and air connectivity in UP was also excellent.

Yogi Adityanath said the prime minister had paved the way for inland waterways from Varanasi to Haldia on the Ganges, allowing cruise services to operate, despite Uttar Pradesh being called a land-locked state. He said Gorakhpur had received a new in the form of a modern cruise equipped with modern facilities.

The chief minister emphasised that tourism, development and new employment opportunities would increase as the city improves.

The chief minister highlighted the transformation of Ramgarh Tal over the past six years, emphasising that it has evolved into a new tourist destination.

"Comprehensive infrastructure developments, including the construction of roads and foot-paths, have greatly contributed to this positive change. Seeing the sparkling lights here, people can hardly believe that they are still in

Yogi congratulates Rajasthan's new CM, DyCMs

Lucknow (PNS): Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath congratulated and extended his best wishes to the new Bharatiya Janata Party Chief Minister, Bhajan Lal Sharma, who took the oath in Rajasthan on Friday.

In his congratulatory message on 'X', Chief Minister Yogi wrote, "Heartfelt congratulations to Bhajan Lal Sharma on taking the oath as the chief minister of Rajasthan. I hope and have full confidence that under the guidance of Prime Minister Narendra Modi and the adept leadership of the new chief minister, Rajasthan will establish new standards of overall development and good governance."

Gorakhpur. In collaboration with the Gorakhpur Development Authority (GDA) and the Tourism Department has been directed to enhance water sports activities for



Additionally, congratulating both the deputy chief ministers on 'X', Yogi wrote, "Heartiest congratulations to Diya Kumari and Prem

further progress," he said.

Tourism Minister Jayveer Singh, while speaking at the event, said this was a proud moment for Gorakhpur.

Chand Bairwa on taking the oath as the deputy chief ministers of Rajasthan. Best wishes for your successful and bright tenure."

The lake, which was once synonymous with dirt and neglect, now hosts cruise services, he added.

After inaugurating the cruise, Chief Minister Yogi inspected the

cruise and enjoyed a boat ride, experiencing the beauty of Ramgarh Taal. The construction of Lake Queen Cruise has incurred a cost of more than Rs 12 crore. The cruise is equipped with facilities akin to a five-star hotel. It offers both vegetarian and non-vegetarian cuisine. The three-storey cruise covers an area of 2,700 square feet, along with a waiting platform. It has three decks with a capacity of 150 people and a highly specialised cabin for 15 people. A cruise ride lasting up to two hours can be enjoyed in a single trip.

On this occasion, UP's Agriculture Minister Surya Pratap Shahi, MP Kamlesh Paswan, Mayor Dr Manglesh Srivastava, MLA Rajesh Tripathi, Mahendrapal Singh, Vimlesh Paswan Vipin Singh, Pradeep Shukla, MLC Dr Dharmendra Singh, Bharatiya Janata Party regional president Sahajanand Rai, district president Yudhishtir Singh, metropolitan president Rajesh Gupta and others were present.