## ODOP exports from UP have soared to ₹2 lakh crore: Yogi

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Lucknow: Crediting his government's flagship 'One District One Product' scheme for bringing about a transformative change in Uttar Pradesh, chief minister Yogi Adityanath on Wednesday said that where the state's total exports before 2017 were Rs 86,000 crore, now only ODOP exports stood at Rs 2 lakh crore.

Speaking at the UP Diwas celebrations in Lucknow, the CM said that the state has developed as per the vision of Prime Minister Narendra Modi. He spoke about generation of jobs, improvement in per capita income and the push to industries under the BJP governments in the centre and state.



CM Yogi Adityanath at UP Day event held at Awadh Shilpgram

Before 2017, he said, Chinese made goods had proliferated in the markets but now, with focus on 'Make In India', local industries were getting a much needed push which in turn was helping in UP's

growth. "There are 96 lakh MSME units in the state. The government is extending a security insurance cover of Rs 5 lakh to MSME units in case of accidents or disasters. The world recognised the potenti-

al of UP through the International Trade Show organized in Noida last year, which attracted more than 500 foreign buyers," he said.

Talking about the state's economic condition before 2017, Yogi said that time was riddled with issues like payment of salaries, chaos and an identity crisis for those from UP. He said that UP had fortified its economic position over the last seven years and witnessed massive improvements in infrastructure and connectivity.

Elaborating on the seventh foundation day of the state, the CM said that it held immense importance due to the consecration of the Ram Temple in Ayodhya just two days earlier.