

Curfew the norm under previous govt, but U.P. most progressive now: Yogi

CM inaugurates, lays foundation stone of 170 projects worth Rs 3,405 crore as part of Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra in Bareilly

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LUCKNOW: Highlighting the changes in Uttar Pradesh in the last seven years of his government, chief minister Yogi Adityanath on Wednesday said before 2017, curfews were imposed for months in various districts of Uttar Pradesh but now it is a thing of the past.

"Now, kanwar yatra is organised in a grand manner in the entire state. No riots have been reported in Uttar Pradesh in the last six-and-a-half to seven years. Peace and harmony prevails in the state," Yogi Adityanath said as he inaugurated and laid the foundation stone of 170 development projects worth Rs 3,405 crore as part of the Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra in Bareilly on Wednesday.

Uttar Pradesh is emerging as the most progressive state in the country, Yogi Adityanath further said at the programme. Infrastructure, including road, air, and rail connectivity, has seen a remarkable improvement, he added.

"The present situation reflects a significant transformation. The penance and struggle of 500 years have come to an end. Today, the entire world is eager to visit Ayodhya," he said. "In the new Uttar Pradesh of New India, the devotees of Maryada Purushottam Lord Ram can now experience the sacred sights of

Tretayug in Ayodhya," he added.

Noting that the state government is giving the finishing touches to the under-construction Nath Corridor in Bareilly, he said all the vital roads connecting it have received approval.

Outlining the government's measures to address unemployment, the chief minister said under the previous government, the families in power used to travel across the state extorting money from the youth under the guise of offering job opportunities.

Under the present regime, six lakh youngsters have secured government jobs in the last six years, while 1.75 crore have been given employment in the private sector, he said.

Addressing security concerns, the chief minister said, "The previous government supported troublemakers. In contrast, the Uttar Pradesh Police today remains a threat to those mischievous elements."

Those involved in nepotism, caste-based politics and divisiveness had caused an identity crisis for the youth of Uttar Pradesh, he said.

"But today, if you visit any state in the country and mention that you hail from Uttar Pradesh, you will witness joy on people's faces," he said.

He stressed on the need of collective efforts to establish U.P. as the leading economy in the country.

"Prime Minister Narendra Modi's vision is our mission. Our government is providing benefits to all the citizens in the state without any discrimination," he said.

Reminding people of Prime Minister's resolve of 'Viksit Bharat' by 2047, the chief minister administered



Chief minister Yogi Adityanath during the inauguration and foundation stone laying of various projects on the occasion of 'Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra', in Bareilly on Wednesday.

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Yogi, Khanna play badminton at opening of stadium

- CM Yogi gifted an indoor stadium to the players of Bareilly. Constructed under the Smart City project at a cost of Rs 10.23 crore, the indoor stadium is equipped to host events such as gymnastics, volleyball, basketball and badminton.
- During the inauguration, chief minister played badminton. He also invited U.P. finance minister Suresh Khanna to join him and both enjoyed playing on the badminton court.

the Panch Pran oath to the people.

Significant developmental initiatives are being implemented on the ground, positioning India as a global leader, he said. Today, the entire world is looking up to the new India, he said, adding, "It is a matter of pride and honour for India's population of 140 crore."

Later, the chief minister distributed certificates to the people eligible for various government schemes.

Meanwhile, Chief minister Yogi Adityanath visited the ancestral village of the late BJP MLA Manvendra Singh at

Dhakiya Parveezpur in Shahjahanpur on Wednesday to convey his condolences to the bereaved family members.

Paying tribute to Manvendra Singh, he met the family members of the late BJP MLA and assured them all possible assistance

CM INSPECTS RAMAYAN VATIKA

- CM on Wednesday inspected the Ramayana Vatika in the Ramganga Nagar Yojana of the Bareilly Development Authority. During the visit, he unveiled a nine-foot statue of Lord Hanuman.
- The Vatika will feature detailed depictions of the life of Lord Ram and statues related to these events will be installed.
- CM also laid the foundation stone of the Greater Bareilly Housing Scheme and assessed ongoing projects.
- Covering some 600 acres, the scheme is under the Chief Minister Urban Expansion/New City Promotion Scheme. Under it, Rs 1377 crore will be distributed as compensation to farmers. The total project cost will be Rs 2200 crore.
- * Under the scheme, over Rs 635 crore has been distributed so far as compensation to the farmers. CM Yogi distributed cheques to five landowners on Wednesday.



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