

PM arrives in Kashi, to launch projects worth 13k crore today

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VARANASI: Prime Minister Narendra Modi landed at the Lal Bahadur Shastri International Airport in Varanasi amidst a grand welcome by chief minister Yogi Adityanath, along with several BJP workers, on Thursday night. The PM arrived in his parliamentary constituency on a two-day visit to lay the foundation stones of multiple development projects worth more than Rs 13,202 crore on February 23.

"The PM will inaugurate 24 projects worth Rs 11,972 crores and lay the foundation stone of 12 projects worth Rs 2,195 crores," a senior official of district administration said. Additionally, the PM will attend a programme at BHU, where he will present awards to the winners of the Kashi Sansad Gyan Pratiyogita, Kashi Sansad Photography Pratiyogita, and Kashi Sansad Sanskrit Pratiyogita. He will also



PM Modi and CM Yogi Adityanath at Phulwaria flyover in Varanasi on Thursday late night.

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distribute books, uniform sets, music instruments and merit scholarships to Sanskrit students of Varanasi besides interacting with the participants with their photograph entries on the theme of 'Sanwanti Kashi'.

"PM Modi will visit Sant Ravidas Temple at Seergovardhan where he will offer prayers to Sant Ravidas and will have prasad in Langar (community feast). He will inaugurate vari-

ous development works around Sant Ravidas Janmasthan worth around Rs 32 crore, including unveiling of Sant Ravidas statue and laying the foundation stone of the museum and beautification of the park worth about Rs 62 crore," Kashi region BJP president Dilip Patel added.

The prime minister will also visit Banas Dairy Plant in Karkhiyavan on Friday. He will also launch several other projects.

YOGI EXPRESSES GRATITUDE TO PM MODI

LUCKNOW: Chief minister Yogi Adityanath has expressed gratitude to prime minister Narendra Modi for the union cabinet's decision to extend the ongoing umbrella scheme for the 'safety of women' for the next two years.

He wrote on his official 'X' handle: "The union cabinet has allocated Rs 1,179.72 crore to continue the umbrella scheme for the 'safety of women' from 2021-22 to 2025-26. Heartfelt thanks to PM Modi for ensuring the safety and dignity of our 'Matrishakti'." He also thanked PM for increasing sugarcane's Fair and Remunerative Price (FRP) for the season 2024-25.

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