

Ahead of Holi, Yogi gifts projects worth ₹482 crore to Gkp

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Gorakhpur: Technology adoption is the cornerstone of building a smart city, said chief minister Yogi Adityanath on Sunday. He highlighted the establishment of an Integrated Control and Command Centre within the Gorakhpur Municipal Corporation. This centre will monitor cleanliness, streetlights, drinking water, traffic flow, and security arrangements, paving the way for Gorakhpur's transformation into a smart city.

He was speaking in Gorakhpur during the inauguration and foundation-laying ceremony of 253 development projects valued at Rs 482 crore for the Gorakhpur Municipal Corporation. These projects serve as a pre-Holi gift for the city's residents. The ceremony included the inauguration of the Integrated Control and Command Centre, the unveiling of the Gorakhpur News Letter, and the flagging off of 34 sanitation vehicles.

The CM called for a collective effort to make both India and its cities smart. He stres-



CM Yogi during his visit to Gorakhpur on Sunday

sed on the importance of setting an example for the world, rather than merely following the suit. Smart city development, he stressed, is crucial for enhancing the quality of life for urban residents.

CM Yogi cited the Supreme Court's eight-year-old directive encouraging cities to develop a model for themselves. He commended Gorakhpur's success in implementing the "Safe City" initiative, highlighting the installation of thousands of cameras with community cooperation. These cameras ensure constant vigilance, effectively deterring littering and other offences.

The CM also spoke about the construction of high-quality roads in Gorakhpur, with a lifespan of 50 years.