

PM to dedicate ₹35k cr projects to nation from Azamgarh today

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Varanasi: In addition to significantly boosting the civil aviation sector by dedicating 12 airports to the nation, Prime Minister Narendra Modi is set to inaugurate and lay the foundation stone for 782 development initiatives, including projects in railway, urban development, road transport, and education, among others, valued at Rs 34,676.29 crore at a public meeting in Azamgarh on Sunday.

Chief minister Yogi Adityanath, on Saturday, oversaw preparations for the upcoming PM event at Manduri airport and a subsequent public meeting in Azamgarh in the afternoon. Upon returning to the LBSI Airport in Varanasi, Modi will virtually address the Mahatari Vandan Yojana of Chhattisgarh before departing for Delhi on Sunday late afternoon.

Yogi's chopper landed at Manduri airport around 12:30 pm on Saturday. After inspecting the airport, where the PM is scheduled to land on Sunday, he proceeded to the venue of the public meeting. There, he coordinated arrangements with district administration and police officials before convening with Bharatiya Janata Party leaders and office bearers prior to departing for Chandauli.

Regarding the PM's event, Azamgarh district magistrate Vishwal Bhardwaj said that the final list of projects to be inaugurated by the PM, as well as those for which he will lay the foundation, has been received. According to the list, a total of 782 projects valued at Rs 34,676.29 crore will be unveiled by the PM at Manduri ground, said Bhardwaj, adding that all preparations for the PM's visit have been completed. In addition to the airport, the district will wit-

NEW PROJECTS

- Inauguration/foundation of 782 projects worth ₹34676 cr for Azamgarh and other cities
- Inauguration of 12 airports worth ₹8896 cr and foundation for three civil aviation projects worth ₹908 cr
- 10 rly projects of ₹7834 cr to be inaugurated and foundation for ₹342 cr project
- Inauguration of 3 projects



A hoarding put up to welcome PM Modi in Varanasi

- of Jal Shakti worth ₹1114.24 cr
- 2 road projects worth ₹6458 cr to be inaugurated
- 744 rural projects worth ₹3702 cr to be inaugurated



CM Yogi Adityanath during an event in Jaunpur on Saturday

ness the inauguration of Maharaja Suhel Dev State University.

Airport Authority of India chairman Sanjeev Kumar has also been actively assessing Manduri Airport. Officials mentioned that the PM will inaugurate 12 new terminal buildings at various airports, including Pune, Kolhapur (Maharashtra), Gwalior, Jabalpur (Madhya Pradesh), Delhi, Adampur (Punjab), Lucknow, Aligarh, Azamgarh, Chitrakoot, Moradabad, and Shravasti in Uttar Pradesh. Additionally, the PM will lay the foundation stone for three new terminal buildings at Kadapa (Andhra Pradesh), Hubballi, and Belagavi (Karnataka) airports.

These 12 new terminal buildings will have a combined capacity to serve 620 lakh passengers annually and will be equipped with state-of-the-art passenger amenities.

The PM will also inaugurate the Light House Project (LHP) for Lucknow and Ran-

chi, which includes more than 2000 affordable flats with modern infrastructure. Furthermore, he will dedicate and lay the foundation stone for several road projects, including the Lucknow Ring Road, the Chakeri to Allahabad Section of NH-2, the Rampur-Rudrapur western side spur, the Kanpur Ring Road, and the Rae Bareilly-Prayagraj section of NH-24B/NH-30, aimed at enhancing connectivity, reducing traffic congestion, and promoting socio-economic development in the region.

Additionally, the PM will dedicate approximately 744 rural road projects, worth more than Rs 3700 crore, constructed under the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana, resulting in the construction of over 5,400 km of rural roads in Uttar Pradesh, benefiting approximately 59 districts in the state.

Railway projects to be inaugurated by the PM will bolster rail infrastructure in Uttar Pradesh. He will lay the foundation stone for the gauge conversion of the Bahraich-Nanpara-Nepalganj Road rail section and inaugurate a new rail line from Ghazipur City to Ghazipur Ghat, including a rail bridge over the river Ganga. Additionally, he will flag off the MEMU train service between Ghazipur City-Tarighat-Dildar Nagar Junction.