

Gateway town towards route to Bundelkhand from Kanpur

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The Kanpur Development Authority has envisioned to turn the erstwhile industrial hub into a manufacturing hub of UP through augmenting the existing infrastructure and providing better connectivity. Out of the 386 villages in the district 85 are situated within the local municipal corporation, while almost 36 of the remaining 301 villages would be integrated for expansion.

Eight urban clusters would fall under purview of the master plan which include Kanpur city, Bithoor, Akbarpur, Kanpur Cantt, northern railway

colony, Chakeri, Armapur estate and Gangaghat. A satellite town has been also planned in Ghatampur, the gateway town towards the route to Bundelkhand from Kanpur. Bithoor has been earmarked as a growth node while Kanpur-Lucknow and Kanpur-Bithoor routes have been defined as development corridors. Ghaziabad Development Authority has reserved 95 hectare area within the existing city and an additional 50 hectare on the outskirts for creating residential enclaves, colonies and housing blocks. The growth areas and future development have been planned in Loni, Muradnagar and Modinagar by creating spe-

cial development areas. In Prayagraj, which is gearing up to host Maha Kumbh next year in January, an immediate need to establish a cultural confluence zone has been highlighted to help tourists explore the heritage and cultural importance of the ancient city. 1,200 acre wide industrial clusters will be created along the eight national and state highways.

Additional chief secretary, housing department, Nitin Ramesh Gokarn said that the final evaluation of the plans submitted by the authorities has been done and approval from govt to implement it in the cities would be provided soon.