

UP defence corridor: Kanpur node gets highest investment

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Lucknow: The Kanpur node of UP Defence Industrial Corridor (UPDIC), which is rapidly progressing to enhance India's self-reliance in defence products manufacturing, is witnessing the highest investment.

The Kanpur node will manufacture products related to the defence sector on the largest scale, including small and large weapons, ammunition, and state-of-the-art military attire for the nation's army. Additionally, equipment related to space science will also be manufactured here.

Adani Group ventures into ammunition manufacturing

Over 218 hectares of land in Narwal Tehsil of Kanpur is being developed as part of the Defence Industrial Corridor. According to officials of UPEIDA, 24 companies have expressed interest in investment, with five already com-

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mencing operations. The largest name among them is the Adani Group, which started its factory here in February, investing Rs 1,500 crore. This project aims to manufacture a wide range of small, medium, and large-calibre ammunition.

Additionally, Modern Material and Sciences Private Limited has begun manufacturing advanced clothing for soldiers with an investment of Rs 38 crore. Furthermore, Netra Global Private Limited will produce artillery shells with an investment of Rs 360 crore, and Anant Technologies will manufacture equip-

ment related to LEO and GEO satellites with an investment of Rs 3,500 crore.

Government allocates over Rs 62 crore for infrastructure

According to UPEIDA officials, more than 210 hectares of land have been allotted for the Kanpur node of the Defence Industrial Corridor. Expectations are high for creating over 18,000 jobs from the Kanpur node alone. So far, investments totaling more than Rs 1,700 crore have been materialized, resulting in immediate employment for 2,500 youths.

The state govt plans to spend over Rs 62 crore on infrastructure development in the Kanpur node. Approximately Rs 33 crore worth of projects have already been completed, while construction is underway for projects exceeding Rs 16 crore. Tender processes are also ongoing for projects valued at over Rs 13 crore.