

“Pollution is a shared responsibility, we must act to secure a healthier future”

~Hon’ble CM Yogi

Electric mobility and net zero emissions: UP’s vision for a sustainable tomorrow

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At the Green Bharat Summit, Uttar Pradesh Hon’ble Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath reaffirmed the government’s commitment to achieving carbon zero emissions. He highlighted the importance of using eco-friendly solutions like LED lights and solar energy to reduce pollution and create a greener future for the state.

Speaking at the event, Hon’ble CM Yogi expressed concern over rising pollution levels and their harmful effects on health and the environment. “The environment depends on the balance of earth, water, air, trees, and plants. Unfortunately, human actions have polluted these resources, causing diseases and financial difficulties for families due to costly treatments,” he said.

He also pointed to the serious impact of pollution, such as Delhi’s current smog crisis. “People in Delhi are struggling to breathe, and industries are being shut down because of severe pollution. This kind of situation can worsen, leading to food shortages caused by unpredictable weather like droughts and excessive rainfall,” Hon’ble CM Yogi explained.

Hon’ble Chief Minister shared how the state government is taking steps to reduce pollution. “We are installing LED lights in both cities and villages to lower carbon emissions, and promoting solar energy as a clean and sustainable option,” he added.

Reflecting on past challenges, Hon’ble CM Yogi mentioned encephalitis, a disease that killed 50,000 people in eastern Uttar Pradesh over four decades. He said pollution and poor sanitation were the main reasons behind the outbreak and urged people to focus on cleanliness and protecting the environment. “We must work together to prevent such tragedies in the future,” he appealed.

The Green Bharat Summit is a key initiative in Uttar Pradesh’s mission to reduce pollution and protect the environment. Hon’ble CM Yogi called on everyone to support the government’s efforts to achieve a cleaner, healthier, and more sustainable future.

Hon’ble Minister of Road Transport and Highways, Shri Nitin Gadkari while addressing the event shared his views on road safety and sustainable transportation. He stated, “The future of transportation lies in electric vehicles, which will reduce pollution and ensure a safer environment for our citizens.” He further added, “We must prioritize road safety, infrastructure development, and the adoption of green technologies to create a safer and cleaner India.”

Shri Abhishek Prakash, CEO of INVEST UP, shared his insights at the Green Bharat Summit during a session titled Uttar Pradesh and EV Mobility: Exploring Opportunities to Achieve UP's Electric Mobility Vision. He emphasized the importance of balancing technological advancements with environmental conservation, urging people to think about how to protect air, water, and natural resources while embracing progress.

“Our vision is to make Uttar Pradesh a hub for electric mobility by promoting innovation, creating local manufacturing opportunities, and adopting eco-friendly practices. This will not only ensure environmental preservation but also generate jobs and support economic growth,” said Mr. Prakash.

Highlighting Uttar Pradesh's dedication to sustainability, Shri Abhishek Prakash outlined strategies to combat climate change and reduce carbon emissions, positioning the state as a leader in green initiatives. He stressed the importance of encouraging local manufacturing in the electric vehicle (EV) sector, which strengthens the state's economy and reduces reliance on imports.

He reiterated the state's commitment to achieving net zero emissions through policies that drive EV adoption, renewable energy, and sustainable practices.
