## India's 1st integrated waste mgmt city to come up in Gorakhpur

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Gorakhpur: India's first Integrated Waste Management City cum Learning Centre will come up on 40 acres of land in Suthni village of Gorakhpur. The facility will become operational by Sep 2025 and will transform Gorakhpur into a garbage-free city.

It will serve as a model for sustainable waste management. About 80% of the construction work has been completed.

The Integrated Waste Management City will also produce charcoal and CNG, and generate revenue as well create employment opportunities. The facility will handle



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all types of domestic, commercial and industrial wastes. Gorakhpur municipal commissioner Gaurav Sogarwal said the model will be showcased by the Union environment ministry at the National conference of chief secretaries scheduled in Delhi from Dec 13 to 15. Inputs from the Administrative Staff College of India, Hyderabad, are being incorporated to enhance the facility's innovation quotient, said Sogarwal.

Various types of waste such as biomedical, battery, tyre, terracotta, vehicle scrap, plastic, domestic, industrial and organic will be handled at the plant. The centre will also serve as a learning centre and provide technical expertise. This facility will also cater to the eight neighbouring urban local bodies (ULBs).

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