

Brisk biz at prisons dept stall, sells ODOP fare worth ₹50,000

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Lucknow: The prisons department stall at Raj Bhanwan, showcasing a variety of food products under the One District, One Product scheme recorded sales worth Rs 50,000 in just three days. The stall featured pickles, bakery items and sweets, all made by jail inmates, attracting significant interest from visitors.

DIG prisons, Ram Dhani, said the products were sourced from various jails: Indian gooseberry (amla) items from Pratapgarh district jail, bakery products from Varanasi central jail, special bread from Lucknow model jail, rare biscuits from Fatehgarh jail and pickles from Bijnor. "These items, made entirely by inmates, are products of skill-training programmes conducted under the leadership of DG Prisons P V Ramasastri," he said. Visitors praised



Governor Anandiben Patel at the prisons department stall

the quality and affordability of the products. "I bought amla items that were not only economical but also of rare varieties," said Roshini Ghildiyal from Dehradun.

An official from prisons department emphasised that the impressive sales reflect the success of rehabilitation efforts. "This initiative helps inmates reintegrate into society by equipping them with valuable skills. The sales figures will be shared with them to boost their morale and motivation," the officer added.