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he CM assured the team of the state govt's full support for the lab's establishment and expressed confidence that IBM's technological expertise would significantly boost the IT-ITeS sector in UP while also nurturing local talent, the spokesperson said.

"Besides fostering innovation and technological advancement, it is expected to play a pivotal role in driving economic growth and creating employment opportunities. It will be among IBM's largest software develop-

ment centres in India and focus on software engineering, design and development aligned with global standards," officials said.

"It will open various roles, including software engineers, application developers, technical testers and UX design specialists," officials said.

Managing director, IBM India-South Asia, Sandeep Patel said: "IBM's software lab expansion in UP represents a major milestone for India and the global tech community. India's new era will be powered by technology, talent and an ecosystem that

promotes creativity and innovation. The lab will harness regional talent to develop next-generation AI solutions, bolster digital capabilities and contribute meaningfully to India's digital transformation."

Vice-president IBM India, Vishal Chahal said that Lucknow is fast emerging as a vibrant centre with the talent and ecosystem to lead this transformation. "Our new software lab in Lucknow is committed to fostering innovation, making a lasting impact and supporting govt-led initiatives through the power of AI." he said.