

Chaired By CM Yogi Adityanath, UP Cabinet Meet Clears Slew Of Proposals

# UAE company's aqua-culture centre to help UP export fishery products

## Green Signal To Agri-Export Hub In GB Nagar

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**Lucknow:** The state cabinet on Tuesday approved the policy initiative for setting up an aqua-culture project with the help of UAE's multinational company Aqua-bridge. The cabinet also green signalled an Agri-Export Hub with the help of Kolar (Karnataka) based Innova Food Park near Jewar airport in Gautam Budh Nagar.

Both the projects are part of the work plan of UP Agriculture Growth and Rural Enterprise Eco-system Strengthening (UP-AGREES) project which is being carried out with the help of World Bank in 28 UP districts—21 in east UP and 7 in Bundelkhand.

The cabinet noted that aquaculture-based infrastructure will meet the needs of fish farmers of UP and the state will get opportunities for export of fisheries. The proposed investment of Rs 4,000 crore will establish a world-class training centre and a buy-back system for exporting fishery products to the Middle East and other countries.

Likewise, all types of test facilities of products will be available at Agri-Export Hub near Jewar airport and arrangements will be made to export agricultural/industrial products to the Middle East/Europe, Russia and other countries. The twin projects will boost employment rate and income of farmers and fishing community.

Accordingly, both the companies will be provided a slew of incentives like 75% subsidy on front and lease rent. The company would be provided 60 acres of land for which 100% subsidy on stamp duty will be given. Also, no electricity charge will be levied for two years. At the same time, 75% subsidy on transportation cost for export from the airport will be provided.



CM Yogi Adityanath chairing a cabinet meeting on Tuesday

## Cabinet okays Chitrakoot link e-way

The state cabinet on Tuesday gave its nod for the construction of 15-km long Chitrakoot Link Expressway. The four-lane carriageway to come up at a cost of Rs 940 crore would facilitate movement between the Bundelkhand Expressway and Chitrakoot. It would originate near Bharatkoop and span up to Ahmadganj locality, close to the UP-Madhya Pradesh border. With the nod, the Uttar Pradesh Expressways Industrial Development Authority (UPEIDA) would commence the process of acquiring the land. UPEIDA officials said the link expressway would act as a catalyst to increase vehicular movement over the Bundelkhand Expressway, as through the link expressway, the Satna-Chitrakoot-Prayagraj national highway would be easily accessible to motorists. Those heading to the National Capital Region from Jabalpur, Katni, Maihar, Rewa and Satna are likely to opt for this access-controlled network of expressways (Bundelkhand, Lucknow-Agra and Yamuna Expressways). A construction company would be asked to execute the project on EPC mode (engineering, procurement and construction) and look after its maintenance for five years after completion.

## Monsoon session of UP House from Aug 11

**Lucknow:** The cabinet on Tuesday gave its nod to the convening of the monsoon session of UP assembly and legislative council from Aug 11.

This will be the second session of 2025, after the one which was called on Feb 18 and lasted till Mar 5. The prorogation of the Legislative Assembly/Legislative Council was formally done on March 12.

Rule 14 of the UP Legislative Assembly Procedure and Conduct of Business Rules, 2023 provides that there shall be at least three sessions of the Legislative Assembly every year. In addition to the above, Article 174(1) of the Constitution of India also provides that the gap between the last meeting of a session of the Legislature and the date fixed for the first meeting of the next session shall not exceed six months.

The last meetings of the Assembly and Council were held on Mar 5. Therefore, in order of the said constitutional arrangement, it would be required to convene the next session of the Legislature before Sep 5, the cabinet noted. TNN

## Tata to set up tech centres in 121 polytechnics

**Lucknow:** The state cabinet on Tuesday approved the setting up of Tata Technology Excellence Centres in partnership with Tata Technology Limited across 121 government polytechnics in the state, aiming to modernise technical education facilities.

The initiative addresses the existing gap between industrial needs and academic curriculum in diploma-level technical education.

Several course topics in polytechnics have become outdated or misaligned with current industrial requirements. These centres will serve to modernise the curriculum and bridge this educational gap.

For this, Rs 57.3 crore will be spent on the installation of machines and equipment in each of the 121 polytechnics. Of the total cost of Rs 6935.8 crore, 87%, will be borne by TTL, and the remaining 13%, will be borne by the govt. In addition, the state govt will spend an additional Rs 858 crore—Rs 709.2 lakh per institution—towards civil infrastructure and other basic facilities. TNN