

CM: UP has nature & God's blessings, we need resolve

'UP India's 2nd Largest Economy'

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Lucknow: Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath on Wednesday launched the public connect programme for 'Samarth Uttar Pradesh - Viksit Uttar Pradesh @ 2047' campaign.

Speaking on the occasion, he said, "In the 16th-17th century, India held 25% of global GDP and by 1947, it fell to 2%. In 2014, India was the 11th largest economy and today we are fourth and will become third by 2027." He said UP's GDP rose from Rs 13 lakh crore in 2016-17 to Rs 35 lakh crore this year. "Eight years ago, UP was called BIMARU, now it is India's second-largest economy and the fastest-growing one. If this change can happen within eight years, then a developed UP by 2047 can surely be achieved," he said.

Yogi also spoke about welfare measures initiated during Covid-19, including One District One Product support and free food for over a crore workers. "This is service that builds trust," he added. "UP has nature's and God's blessings. We only need resolve," he said. As part of the initiative, QR codes will be installed at public places, schools, and colleges, making the process of sharing suggestions simple

ACTION PLAN

Govt has prepared a framework of 3 themes and 12 sectors to achieve its Viksit UP goal by 2047

THEMES

Arth Shakti | Promoting economic devpt and creating new investment opportunities

Srijan Shakti | Innovation, education, skills, and technological devpt

Jeevan Shakti | Improving citizens' health, safety, social welfare, and living standards

KEY SECTORS & DEPTS

- > Agriculture and Allied Sectors
- > Livestock Protection

> Industrial Development

> IT & Emerging Technology

> Tourism and Culture

URBAN AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT

- > Infrastructure
- > Balanced Development
- > Social Welfare
- > Health
- > Education
- > Security & Good Governance



and accessible. By scanning these codes, people can directly register their feedback on the official portal (samarthuttarpradesh.up.gov.in). In addition to QR Code, the govt has also identified a team of over 400 intellectuals, including retired bureaucrats, engineers, and professors, who will campaign across the state to engage with the public, spread awareness about the campaign, detail the govt's plans, and seek suggestions.

On Wednesday, the team came together to discuss the action plan, details of the campaign, and emphasised the importance of citizen involvement. "This drive is more than just an administrative exercise and should be developed as a collective movement to build a prosperous and

'Viksit Uttar Pradesh' with active public participation," he said.

Explaining how the govt was planning to roll out the campaign, the CM said that the first phase would feature seminars in academic institutions, followed by involvement of ministers, MPs, and MLAs. "Thereafter, with suggestions from citizens having been received, resolutions will be passed in every gram panchayat and ward, and the suggestions will be categorised into short, medium, and long-term plans," he said.

The CM also urged senior citizens and intellectuals to contribute their experience to the campaign, remarking: "Retirement does not mean fatigue. Your wisdom will energize this campaign."