

Uttar Pradesh Showcases SAF Potential at Indian Sustainable Aviation Fuel Conclave & Awards 2025

UP Positions Itself as India's Emerging Hub for Green Aviation Fuel

New Delhi/Lucknow, 15 September 2025 — Uttar Pradesh made a strong pitch for sustainable investments at the *Indian Sustainable Aviation Fuel (SAF) Conclave & Awards 2025* in New Delhi, highlighting its potential to emerge as a key hub for green aviation fuel production in India.

Delivering a special address on “*The Industrial Landscape of Uttar Pradesh*”, **Mr. Shashank Chaudhary, Additional CEO of Invest UP**, highlighted state's robust investment capabilities and progressive policy framework.

He announced that **Uttar Pradesh is set to launch India's first Sustainable Aviation Fuel Manufacturing Promotion Policy–2025**. Notably, the draft of this pioneering policy—**UP SAF Manufacturing Promotion Policy 2025**—was recently presented to investors and entrepreneurs for extensive consultation and feedback.

The policy focuses on converting agricultural residues such as sugarcane bagasse and rice husk into bio-jet fuel. This initiative is expected to promote clean energy while enhancing farmers' incomes by creating new markets for crop residues.

Mr. Chaudhary also emphasized that Uttar Pradesh offers **exceptional connectivity** to industries through five international airports (including the upcoming Noida International Airport), world-class expressways, and integrated logistics hubs. Additionally, with **56% of its population in the working-age group**, the state enjoys a strong demographic advantage, making it a compelling destination for global investors.

The event, which brought together industry leaders, global investors, and policymakers from aviation, energy, and industrial sectors, was attended by Union Civil Aviation Minister Shri Kinjarapu Rammohan Naidu and Union Petroleum & Natural Gas Minister Shri Hardeep Singh Puri, reaffirming the Government of India's commitment to clean energy and international collaboration.

On the sidelines of the conclave, Shri Chaudhary engaged in strategic discussions with **H.E. Mr. Benedikt Hoskuldsson, Ambassador of Iceland to India**, and **Mr. Amar Singh Chandel, Vice President, EMBRAER**, exploring opportunities to leverage Uttar Pradesh's strong agricultural base to build a green aviation ecosystem.
