

'New plant a leap towards self-reliance in defence mfg'

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Lucknow: Rajnath Singh inaugurated a state-of-the-art Titanium and Super Alloy Material Plant at PTC Industries in Lucknow, hailing it as a major milestone in India's journey towards self-reliance in defence manufacturing.

He expressed confidence that the facility would end dependency on other countries for critical aerospace and defence materials. He said the plant places India among a select group of countries capable of producing these high-end materials domestically.

"This unit is a living example of the vision of a self-reliant India," Rajnath said, addressing a gathering that



Rajnath Singh inaugurates defence plant in Lucknow. CM Yogi Adityanath is also seen

included PTC director Sachin Agarwal and his wife Smita Agarwal. He praised the public-private partnership exemplified by PTC Industries and the govt, calling it a model for national security.

The Minister underscored the strategic importance of the project, noting that parts for fighter jets, missiles, and satellites, which were previo-

usly sourced from abroad, will now be manufactured within the country. He emphasized that while "Technology is Power, Material is the Real Strength," and this foundation will significantly bolster India's technological sovereignty.

The project, a more than Rs 1,000 crore investment spread over 50 acres, is expected to be a catalyst for regional development. The Minister projected that it would generate thousands of direct and indirect jobs and spur the growth of a vast ecosystem of MSMEs and supplier industries across cities like Lucknow, Kanpur, and Varanasi. This, he said, would prevent the migration of local youth for employment.