Uttar Pradesh Charts New Course for Infrastructure Development Growth Through Enhanced PPP Ecosystem

Invest UP Hosts High-Level Workshop to Drive Infrastructure Development via Public-Private Partnerships

Lucknow, October 29, 2025: In a strategic push to fast-track infrastructure development in the state, Invest UP, in collaboration with Niti Aayog, key government departments and industry experts, hosted a workshop on **Public-Private Partnership (PPP)** Initiatives and Opportunities in Lucknow. The event focused on unlocking new avenues for PPPs in infrastructure, industrial development, and social sectors across Uttar Pradesh.

Delivering the keynote address, **Shri Deepak Kumar, Infrastructure & Industrial Development Commissioner (IIDC),** underscored the pivotal role of PPPs in achieving the Prime Minister's vision of a $5 trillion economy and Uttar Pradesh's vision of becoming a $1 trillion economy. He emphasized the importance of capacity building, policy innovation, and institutional readiness to realize the goals of Viksit Bharat @2047. Shri Kumar also lauded Invest UP's efforts in establishing a dedicated PPP Cell and enhancing the Nivesh Mitra Portal—recognized as one of India's leading single-window systems for Ease of Doing Business. The upcoming launch of Nivesh Mitra 3.0 promises further improvements in investor facilitation.

Dr. K.V. Raju, Economic Advisor to the Hon'ble Chief Minister, called for a robust and collaborative ecosystem to ensure effective implementation of PPPs. He urged departments to actively engage with stakeholders and prioritize viable project proposals to accelerate development outcomes.

Shri Alok Kumar, Additional Chief Secretary, Infrastructure & Industrial Development, highlighted Uttar Pradesh's rapid infrastructure transformation, noting its leadership in airport, expressway, and road network expansion. He pointed to the state's favorable business climate, demographic strengths, and cost competitiveness as key drivers for scaling up PPP projects with greater impact.

Shri Partha Sarathi Reddy Chevuru, Programme Director, NITI Aayog said that the PPP model is a promising and dynamic tool where the public and private sectors can work together to promote socio-economic development.

The workshop brought together senior officials including Shri Partha Sarathi Reddy Chevuru, Programme Director, NITI Aayog; Shri Pandhari Yadav, Principal Secretary, Department of Science and Technology; Shri Anurag Yadav, Principal Secretary, IT & Electronics; Smt. Hephsiba Rani Korlapati, Additional Secretary, Infrastructure Development Department, Government of Karnataka, Shri Vijay Kiran Anand, CEO, Invest

UP; and Shashank Chaudhry, ACEO, Invest UP, along with representatives from various departments and stakeholder organizations.

Experts from NITI Aayog, DPIIT, RITES, Tata Consulting Engineers (TCE), and UPSIDA shared insights on successful PPP models, policy frameworks, and implementation strategies.

Thematic Session – Building a Robust PPP Ecosystem in Uttar Pradesh Amit Sharma, CEO & MD of Tata Consulting Engineers (TCE), highlighted the need to align project identification with market demand and emerging infrastructure priorities. He further stressed the importance of implementation viability to ensure success, citing examples such as the Bharat Small Reactor, railway modernization, rapid rail systems, logistics hubs, and ropeway projects.

Shri Pradeep Tyagi, Executive Director, RITES, shared insights on PPP projects and contracts being implemented across various states, including the Delhi Metro and National Highway projects. He emphasized that thorough project assessment is essential to optimize outcomes and adopt best practices.

Breakout Session – Sectoral PPP Opportunities and the Way Forward This session focused on innovative PPP structures, risk mitigation strategies, contract governance, and integration with PM Gati Shakti for real-time project monitoring. Discussions explored PPP opportunities across infrastructure, industrial development, logistics, and transport, with active participation from various departments and stakeholders. The importance of institutional strengthening and capacity building was also emphasized to ensure seamless project execution.

Breakout Session 2 – Strengthening PPP Implementation and Capacity This session centered on enhancing institutional capacity and strengthening PPP implementation in Uttar Pradesh. Key themes included risk allocation, contract management, and the use of digital tools for project monitoring. Representatives from RITES, TCE, and NITI Aayog contributed valuable insights during the discussions.

By fostering a dynamic PPP ecosystem, Uttar Pradesh is positioning itself as a national leader in infrastructure-led growth and industrialization. Invest UP's proactive approach and multi-stakeholder engagement signal a new era of collaborative development, aligned with the vision of *Viksit Bharat @2047*.

The workshop concluded with Invest UP reaffirming its commitment to leveraging PPPs as a catalyst for sustainable economic transformation, job creation, and balanced regional development across the state.
