## Rs 24,496-crore supplementary budget: Focus on health, industries

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WITH POCUS on industrial development, infrastructure, power and healthcare, the Uttar Pradesh government tabled its supplementary budget of Rs 24,496 crore for the current financial year during the winter session of the state assembly on Monday.

Uttar Pradesh Finance Minister Suresh Khanna said the proposed budget amounts to 3.03% of the original budget of Rs 8.08 lakh crore and with its inclusion, the total budget outlay for the financial year has increased to Rs 8.33 lakh crore.

"The supplementary budget has been introduced to sustain momentum of the development and provide additional resources to the essential sectors," Khanna said.

The supplementary budget includes Rs 18,369 crore provisions in revenue expenditure while Rs 6,127 crore for capital expenditure. About Rs 4874 crore demands were allocated for the industrial development, Rs 4521 crore for the power sector, and Rs 3500 crore for the health and family welfare, the minister said.

Other significant provisions included Rs 1,758.56 crore for urban development, Rs 639.96 crore for technical education, promotingskills and innovation, Rs 535 crore for women and child development and Rs 500 crore for solar energy. The supplementary budget also included provisions of Rs 423.80 crore for medical education and Rs 400 crore for sugarcane and sugar mills, Khanna said.

The minister said that the Gross State Domestic Product of the state is projected at Rs 31.14 lakh crore, which is higher than earlier assessments.

Some of the major provisions in the industrial and infrastructure sector include Rs 1246 crore for developing the Greenfield Expressway connecting Jewar International Airport with the under-construction Ganga Expressway and Rs 1835 crore for the Ganga Expressway project.

Apart from this, Rs 200 crore has been allocated for the panchayat elections due next year; Rs 1 crore provision has been made for eco-tourism and development of religious sites, and Rs 3.24 crore has been allocated for Uttar Pradesh Clean Air Management Project.

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## Slew of Bills tabled

AMONG THE Bills presented in the Assembly on Monday included the King George's Medical University, Uttar Pradesh (Amendment) Act. 2025, to "ensure the representation of Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes and Other Backward Classes in the Executive Council with an aim "to protect and monitor the constitutional rights of reserved categories" at KGMU. Another significant Bill replacing ordinance was UP Ease of Doing Business (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2025. Presenting the Bill, state Industrial Development Minister Nand Gopal Gupta Nandi said it was "a significant step towards trust-based governance". Under the new Bill, 10 laws in the State List have been reformed. "More than 40 provisions across 14 departments have been decriminalised. Imprisonment provisions have been retained only for offences that cause physical harm or endanger life, are committed through fraud, and create negative externalities. All other offenses, such as procedural lapses, have been decriminalized. Only monetary penalties are pre scribed," the minister said. ENS

also been made for Central schemes, especially "PM Surya Yojana" for which Rs 500 crore has been allocated for state subsidy. Also, provision of Rs 20 crore has been proposed for installing solar rooftops ongovernment, semi-government, and B-PACS buildings. For the PM Mitra Park scheme, Rs 85 crore has been allocated.

In the education sector, Rs 613 crore provision has been made forestablishing centres of excellence in state polytechnique colleges. Under the excise department head, Rs 26.25 crore provision has been made for establishing "Command and Control Centre".

Forthe healthcare sector, the budgetary provisions include Rs 10 crore for Cancer Hospital in Lucknow, Rs 120 crore for SGPGIMS, and Rs 20 crore for Ram Manohal Lohia Institute of Medical Sciences, Lucknow, Rs 10.65 crore for State Medical College Meerut, Rs 6 crore for State Medical College Prayagraj, Rs 9.5 crore for State Medical College Agra, Rs 8.75 crore for State Medical College Kappur, and Rs 5 crore for State Medical College Kappur, and Rs 5 crore for State Medical College Gorakhour.

Rs 1 lakh has also been allocated for the development of International Cricket Stadium in Gorakhpur district.