

From policy paralysis to unlimited potential: Confident CM Yogi highlights change

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LUCKNOW: Brimming with confidence on being firmly in the driving seat, chief minister Yogi Adityanath pitched for Viksit Uttar Pradesh in the state budget 2026-27 tabled in the assembly here on Wednesday.

Built step-by-step in his nine years at the helm, the confidence stemmed from fiscal prudence and a concerted investment push reflected in big-ticket events starting with the first Uttar Pradesh Global Investors Summit held in 2018, just a year after Adityanath assumed office.

"The 2026-27 budget will pave the way for the achievement of Viksit Uttar Pradesh by 2047 and the achievement of a trillion economy by 2029-30," he said after the budget was presented, making it clear that his plank will be the development of UP. Addressing a press conference, he said he was the first chief minister in Uttar Pradesh to table a 10th budget.

"Uttar Pradesh has been able to change its perception. Recovering from policy paralysis, UP has emerged as the state of unlimited potential. In nine years, the allocation under the budget has increased three times to ₹9,12,696.35 crore," he said. He highlighted that his government that worked for the reconstruction of the state, freed UP from the BIMARU tag, pulled the state out of debt trap and established rule of law that paved the way for investment.

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prosperous farmer, job to each hand. UP is moving toward prosperity with investment in technology. The budget is a reflection of nine years of reconstruction of Uttar Pradesh. The budget presents a new story of the development of Uttar Pradesh," he said.

"The highlight of the budget is allocation of ₹43,565.33 crore for new projects and ₹2 lakh crore for capital expenditure. It will play an important role in the development of infrastructure and give a boost to the state economy. It will generate employment as well," he said.

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"In 2017, the state was in the grip of above 30% indebtedness but we have been able to bring it down to 27%. We have planned to bring it further down to 23%.

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