

CM Yogi inaugurates eastern UP's first 'Centre of Excellence'

Gorakhpur: Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath on Wednesday inaugurated the region's first state-of-the-art Centre of Excellence (CoE), established at Maharana Pratap Institute of Technology (MPIT), run by Maharana Pratap Shiksha Parishad, the govt said.

The centre was set up with support from Tata Consultancy Services (TCS) Foundation, an official statement said.

The inauguration was done in the presence of Tata Sons Chairperson N Chandrasekaran and TCS CEO K Krithivasan.

"In the last nine years, Uttar Pradesh has established itself not only as an infrastructure state but also as a manufacturing hub," Adityanath said, according to the statement.

"The transformation seen in Uttar Pradesh today was difficult to imagine nine years ago. Roads were poor, electricity supply was unreliable, and security was a concern. There was neither policy nor intent, and due to the lack of security and proper policies, investments did not



Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath and Tata Group Chairperson N Chandrasekaran offer prayers at Gorakhnath Temple on Wednesday

come, but today UP is progressing rapidly in every sector," he said.

Adityanath said the centre will help meet current and future technological needs and provide a strong platform for Prime Minister Narendra Modi's vision of a developed and self-reliant India.

The centre will focus on AI, machine learning, data science, cybersecurity, space technology, and 3D printing, the statement said.

"The Centre of Excellence will act as a beacon of tech-

nology for youth, farmers, and women from Gorakhpur, eastern UP, northwestern Bihar, and the Terai region of Nepal. It will contribute not only to the development of Eastern UP but also to India's overall progress," Adityanath said.

The chief minister pointed out that the centre has been set up in a region once considered among the most backward in the state.

He also praised Maharana Pratap Shiksha Parishad and spoke about its origin.

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