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State building 6 textile parks, may entail ₹10K cr investment

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The Uttar Pradesh government is developing textile parks spanning almost 1,500 acres to make the state a leading textile and garment hub in South Asia.

As part of this, six textile projects are expected to entail investments of more than ₹10,000 crore, generate large-scale jobs, and bolster the state's \$1 trillion economy goal.

A mega textile park is proposed over 1,162 acres on the borders of Lucknow and Hardoi districts under the PM Mega Integrated Textile and Apparel (PM Mitra) scheme.

Five other smaller textile parks will be set up over 326 acres under the state's Sant Kabir Textile and Apparel Park Scheme in Varanasi, Amroha, Bareilly, Sant Kabir Nagar, and Bijnor districts. "All these five projects will be

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established under the public-private partnership (PPP) model. The Yogi Adityanath government aims to attract big-ticket investments and create employment opportunities," a senior official said.

About 400 big and small textile manufacturing and processing plants are likely to come up in the Lucknow-Hardoi textile project, with marquee companies such as Reliance Industries, Arvind Mills, Vardhman, Ahuja Textile, etc expected to set up their units. Moreover, the Northern India Textile Research Association (NITRA) has submitted

the pre-feasibility report for the Varanasi textile park, while reports for the remaining four parks are being prepared. These reports will be finalised after incorporating suggestions from industry stakeholders.

The government is giving due emphasis on developing these projects in compliance with environmental standards.

PPP tender documents are being drafted for the selection of 'master developers' for these projects.

"The Sant Kabir Textile and Apparel Park Scheme will provide Uttar Pradesh with a new identity in textile manufacturing, ready-made garments, technical textiles, and exports," the official noted.

Recently, the Centre approved 96 companies under round-III of the Textile PLI scheme. This is estimated to garner investments of ₹12,822 crore and a projected turnover of more than ₹58,000 crore.