

From 'jungle raj' to 'mangal raj', UP becoming investment hub: CM

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NOIDA: Highlighting Uttar Pradesh's transformation from "jungle raj" to "mangal raj", chief minister Yogi Adityanath on Saturday said Uttar Pradesh has become a favourite destination for investors across the world and also emerged as a major electronics manufacturing hub.

He was speaking in Noida where he inaugurated and laid the foundation for projects representing a combined investment of approximately Rs 15,023 crore, which are expected to generate thousands of direct and indirect employment opportunities for the youth.

"There was a time when Uttar Pradesh was identified with lawlessness, fear, crime, and disorder. Investors were reluctant to come to the state, and employment opportunities for our youth were limited. Today, that era is behind us. Uttar Pradesh is now defined not by 'jungle raj' but by good governance, security, and development—what we proudly call 'mangal raj'," Adityanath said.

"While Bharat earlier imported printed circuit boards (PCBs) and other electronic com-



UP chief minister Yogi Adityanath, Union ministers Ashwini Vaishnaw and Bhupender Yadav, at the foundation ceremony of the Amber and Ascent-K Circuits electronics manufacturing plant in the Jewar area of Gautam Buddh Nagar on Saturday. Ascent-K Circuits is an Indo-Korean joint venture on electronics manufacturing.

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ponents, Uttar Pradesh will now manufacture and export these products. This is unimaginable to some people that the things we once imported will now be exported," Adityanath further said during his 16-minute speech at Sector 10 after laying the foundation stone of two industrial units of Amber Enterprises & Ascent-K Circuit in Sector 8 and 10 in the Yamuna Authority area.

Amber Enterprises will manufacture air conditioners, copper clad laminates and other critical components, while Ascent-K Cir-

cuits will make PCBs and semiconductor substrates.

The chief minister said UP has a 55% share in manufacturing mobile phones and 60% in electronic component production in the country.

"Uttar Pradesh is developing as an electronic component hub due to our aggressive policy and the visionary leadership of the Prime Minister. Earlier, people were scared of visiting Jewar in the evening. But now all the investment proposals are coming to Jewar. This is considered

the best investment option in the area," he said.

Ascent-K Circuit is a joint venture formed by the Amber Group and South Korea's Korea Circuit.

Speaking at the foundation stone-laying ceremony of a Rs 8200 crore solar cell manufacturing plant, the chief minister said the project aims to build large-scale production capacity in the renewable energy sector.

"In the last nine years, the UP government has taken a number of initiatives. We plan to achieve 20,000 megawatts of renewable energy in the next two to three years. Currently, UP produces 6000 megawatt power through renewable energy," the chief minister said.

Dhirendra Singh Jewar MLA, who was present at the event along with UP industry minister Nand Gopal Gupta Nandi, Gautam Buddh Nagar MP Dr Mahesh Sharma and others also addressed the gathering.

Union minister for railways, information and broadcasting, and electronics and information technology Ashwini Vaishnaw and Union minister for environment, forest and climate change Bhupender Yadav also spoke on the occasion.