

Will bring proposal to construct Lucknow-Unnao-Kanpur rapid rail corridor, says CM Adityanath

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CHIEF MINISTER Yogi Adityanath on Thursday said he will soon introduce a proposal for a rapid rail corridor from Lucknow to Kanpur via Unnao, similar to India's first rapid rail service operating between Delhi and Meerut.

Laying the foundation stones for over 101 development projects worth more than Rs 577 crore in Unnao, the CM said nearly 700 acres of land for the Defence Corridor and around 200 acres for industrial clusters is "ready" in the district.

In Kanpur, he issued instructions to the Public Works Department (PWD) officials to coordinate with the public representatives regarding the projects. He said, public representatives possess a deep understanding of the geographical, social, and developmental requirements of their constituencies. Therefore, their suggestions and proposals should be compiled on a priority basis and an action plan should be promptly submitted to the government so that



Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath during a programme in Kanpur district on Thursday. EXPRESS

necessary approvals can be granted and work can commence within a stipulated timeframe, he added.

The CM issued the instructions while reviewing the work plan for the financial year 2026-27 of the PWD in Kanpur. He held detailed discussions with public representatives of Kanpur Division regarding development-related proposals.

Addressing the people in Unnao, Yogi said, "Congress never thought beyond the Nehru-Gandhi family, while for the SP (Samajwadi Party), only

Saifai was its family. Uttar Pradesh is my home and its 25 crore people are members of my family, and working for their prosperity is my mission."

The Chief Minister said, "During the SP government, whenever the poor or opposition parties raised their voice, goons and mafias suppressed them and created lawlessness by kidnapping traders. The terror of Khar-Dushan, Marich and Subahu during the Ramayana era must have been similar to the terror created by SP-backed mafias."

