

Yogi links heritage, technology to vision of 'New Uttar Pradesh'

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Lucknow: Chief minister Yogi Adityanath on Monday said the state govt's focus on attracting investments, expanding public amenities and creating new opportunities was part of its effort to build a "new Uttar Pradesh", linking cultural celebrations with a parallel push for technology-led growth.

In a social media post, Yogi connected his scheduled engagements for the day—launching development works in Bithoor on the occasion of Valmiki Jayanti and inaugurating the GCC Innovation Summit 2026 in Lucknow—saying the two events represented the state's development journey rooted in heritage and aimed at future-ready jobs.

"Today symbolises UP's journey, in which new possibilities for the future are being created by drawing inspiration from its glorious heritage," he wrote.

Referring to Valmiki Jayanti, he said the state was marking the birth anniversary of Adikavi Maharishi Valmiki, who, through the Ramayan, introduced generations to "the life and character of Prabhu Shri Ram and the ideals of Ram Rajya". On

Amity Univ, Invest UP to boost research

Amity University, Lucknow Campus, signed an MoU with Invest UP at the GCC Innovation Summit on Monday. Amity University Lucknow and Invest UP will collaborate to foster research and innovation, develop industry-oriented skill development programmes, internships and placement opportunities, and promote entrepreneurship and joint research initiatives. The MoU was signed in the presence of CM Yogi Adityanath, and senior officials of Invest UP and Amity University. Pro-vice-chancellor Prof Anil Vashisht, deputy Pro-VC, Wg Cdr (ret'd) Anil Kumar and OSD to Pro VC, Col Vivek Mathur were present. Prof Anil Vashisht said this collaboration will create opportunities for students and faculty to engage with global industry, drive innovation, and contribute to the growth story of Uttar Pradesh. TNN

the other hand, he said, the GCC Innovation Summit 2026 was an opportunity to give a new direction to efforts to make Uttar Pradesh a major centre for global technology, innovation and a knowledge-based economy.

According to Yogi, MoUs to be signed with global companies and universities at the summit would open avenues for technological research, innovation and high-skill employment.

"We will ensure that the benefits of development reach the last person in society and that UP's youth get the opportunity to establish a global identity on their own soil," he said.

Yogi also contrasted the present with the pre-2017 pe-

riod, alleging that Uttar Pradesh earlier lacked respect for its heritage and had limited scope for science and development, making investment and employment expansion difficult. Since 2017, he said, improved connectivity and policy measures focused on electronics manufacturing, digital infrastructure and investment had created new possibilities.

Citing India's position as the "GCC Capital of the World", he said Uttar Pradesh was emerging as a hub within the country's electronics ecosystem, adding that the vision of "Viksit UP" would be achieved through a convergence of heritage, education and technology-driven prosperity.