

₹500-cr IT City expansion likely to bring 6K jobs

The tech giant will add 9.5 lakh sq ft of workspace, launch new AI training centres to build local talent

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LUCKNOW : HCL Group announced an investment of ₹500 crore for the expansion of its IT City in Lucknow, which would be generating around 6,000 direct and indirect job opportunities. HCLTech chairperson Roshni Nadar Malhotra made the announcement on the company's 10th anniversary of its operations in Lucknow.

The proposed expansion will create fresh capacity of up to 9.5 lakh sq ft that will be able to house 4,500 technology professionals and further boost Lucknow's status as a leading technology and global capability centre hub, the group stated.

Chief minister Yogi Adityanath, the chief guest on the occa-



CM Yogi Adityanath at the event marking HCLTech's 10th anniv of operations in Lucknow. SOURCED

sion, hailed the tech giant for contributing to the region's technology and talent ecosystem.

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The group also launched the HCL-GUVI Emerging Technology Centre at HCL IT City to equip students and professionals in the region with skills in AI, data analytics and emerging technologies.

Chief minister Yogi Adityanath said: "Uttar Pradesh is on its way to becoming a trillion-dollar economy with representa-

tion from diverse sectors that ensure 'Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikaas'. With Lucknow's AI City at the heart of that ambition, HCL IT City has, over the past decade, been the anchor of this story, contributing immensely to the region's technology and talent ecosystem.

We thank HCLTech for its continued commitment to UP

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HCLTech chairperson Roshni Nadar Malhotra said: "UP is our janmabhoomi and karma-bhoomi. It is where HCL Group began its journey 50 years ago, laying the foundations of India's technology industry.

As we celebrate HCL Group's 50th anniversary this year, this expansion reflects our enduring trust in the talent, ambition and potential of Uttar Pradesh, and our confidence in the state's continued emergence as a leading destination for technology-led

growth under the leadership of chief minister Yogi Adityanath ji."

Since starting operations in 2016, HCL IT City has become one of HCLTech's key global delivery centres, employing more than 12,500 people and serving over 150 global enterprises.

A significant driver of this growth has been HCLTech's focus on nurturing local talent. The company also maintains partnerships with over 40 engineering colleges across the region to strengthen industry-academia collaboration and create career pathways for students.