

# UP bags 'Top Achiever' award in 2 categories of BRAP-2022

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**Lucknow:** Uttar Pradesh has bagged the "Top Achiever" status in two categories of the Business Reforms Action Plan (BRAP) 2022 announced in Delhi on Thursday. UP won in two categories: total implementation of BRAP 2022 recommendations and ease of doing business.

Under BRAP 2022, a total of 352 reforms were recommended, covering different aspects of business regulation and citizen services.

UP successfully implemented 100% of these reforms, which included 261 action points focused on improving the business environment and 91 aimed at enhancing citizen-centric services. The award was received by UP industry and infrastructure development minister Nand Gopal Gupta Nandi from Union minister for commerce and industry Piyush Goyal.

"The recognition underscores the state's efforts to reduce industrial bottlenecks and enhance the ease of doing business," Nandi told TOI af-



Union minister Piyush Goyal presenting the award to UP industries minister Nand Gopal Gupta Nandi on Thursday

ter the programme, adding, "The state's efforts have resulted in a more streamlined and transparent regulatory framework, significantly simplifying processes for businesses and citizens alike." He credited the achievement to CM Yogi Adityanath's leadership and guidance. Nandi said UP govt has focused on simplifying business processes, reducing compliance burdens, and improving infrastructure and connectivity. "These reforms have streamlined administrative processes, making it easier for businesses to operate in the state."

CEO of Invest UP Abhishek Prakash, who was also present at the event, said: "As

## BRAP citations given to 17 states

The criterion for award was any state which has achieved 95% compliance in any one of the 25 reforms which were part of BRAP 2022. Besides UP, other 16 states awarded are: Kerala, Andhra Pradesh, Gujarat, Rajasthan, Tripura, Andaman & Nicobar Islands, Odisha, Assam, Dadra & Nagar Haveli & Daman and Diu, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Manipur, Punjab, Telangana and Uattrakhand.

the investment promotion and facilitation agency of the UP govt, Invest UP is the nodal agency responsible for BRAP implementation. The award recognises the efforts undertaken in the past besides setting the tone for future growth." He added that to ensure the effective implementation of these reforms, the state govt has conducted extensive training programmes for govt officials, enhancing their capacity to deliver services efficiently.