

UP leading in PM Kusum Yojana: CM

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He directed UPNEDA to expedite the remaining connections, setting a goal of over 22,000 monthly installations against the current 11,000 in 2025-26.

The CM also directed the department to create a list of vendors who can install rooftop solar projects for the 10.73 lakh applications received on the portal by March 2025, adding that the number of vendors should be increased based on the demand.

The focus should also be on training to create more 'Surya Mitras' for solar installations, with training programmes provided through Polytechnic institutes.

The CM further added that UP was leading in the PM Kusum Yojana to promote solar private pumps. He further said that farmers should be made aware of water conservation, adding that Vantangiya villages, along with the tribes in Sonbhadra, Mirzapur, Chitrakoot, and Chandauli, were being provided

with free solar panels by the state govt. He said that solar parks would be developed in all 17 municipal corporations and streetlights in these cities would be connected to these solar parks.

During the review of the wheat procurement, Yogi said that as of April 9, over 1.40 lakh tons of wheat was procured from 26,641 farmers. The govt, he said, was also purchasing wheat through mobile procurement centres.

Joshi commended the state's performance in various schemes, including wheat procurement and the PM Surya Ghar initiative.

He praised the work being done in the sectors of renewable energy, highlighting the progress made in Ayodhya and Varanasi. "There is a need for improving these efforts through a targeted campaign, with the goal of showcasing UP as a model for the entire country. The state is well-prepared and moving in the right direction to meet the growing energy demand," he said.