UP emerging as major logistics hub, says CM Yogi

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task force reclaimed 64,000 acres of land from illegal possession. Significant improvements were made in the police force," the CM said, adding that 1.54 lakh police personnel were recruited, and cutting-edge technology was integrated in law enforcement.

"There was a time when criminals operated with the

support of the police. Now, the situation has dramatically

changed. The UP Police is fully equipped to instill fear in wrongdoers. Police training

has been extended, allowing for the simultaneous training of 6,000 officers, and collaboration with paramilitary and military centres has further enhanced the state's security infrastructure," he said.

Speaking about the industrial development in the state and recent investments, the CM said that when his govt assumed office in 2017, the investment climate was dismal, but now UP was setting new benchmarks for investment.

The Global Investors Summit, which attracted investment proposals worth Rs 40 lakh crore, significantly transformed the state's economic landscape. "Previously, securing Rs 20,000 crore in investments was considered a major achievement. Today, we have garnered Rs 40 lakh crore in proposals, paving the way for employment opportunities for 1.5 crore people," he said.

"UP, once known for potholed roads, now boasts of some of the best highways in the country. Purvanchal and Bundelkhand Expressways, the under-construction Ganga Expressway, India's first waterway between Varanasi and Haldia, and Metro rail in

six cities are examples of infrastructure development," the CM said.

"UP is emerging as a major logistics hub, with one being set up in Varanasi. Plans are afoot for a

hub in Gautam Budh Nagar. The state secured 75 GI tags across 75 districts," he said.

Highlighting the state's achievement in exports, the CM said, "Moradabad now exports goods worth Rs 16,000 crore, while Bhadohi's carpet industry reached Rs 8,000 crore in exports. UP's MSME sector and skilled workforce are fundamental to attracting large-scale investments. PM Narendra Modi's Vishwakarma Yojana and ODOP scheme are also generating employment alongside significant investments."

The CM expressed confidence in UP's rapid economic growth, declaring it the fastest-emerging economy in the country.