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The Yamuna Expressway Industrial Development Authority (YEIDA) on Thursday handed over 230 acres of land designated for the development of the International Film City near the upcoming Noida International Airport at Jewar to Bayview Bhutani Film City Private Limited, also known as Bayview Projects LLP — a special purpose vehicle led by producer Boney Kapoor and construction giant Bhutani Infrastructure.

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The Film City is set to come up in YEIDA's Sector 21, along the Yamuna Expressway and around 4 km from the international airport. The contract to build the Film City was formally issued last June to Bayview Projects LLP.

As per the master plan, in the first phase of the project, 230 acres will be developed — while 75 acres will be dedicated to commercial development, the rest will cater to the film industry. The project, estimated to cost Rs 1,510 crore, is expected to be completed within eight years.

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UP Industrial Development Minister Nand Gopal Gupta 'Nandi' said the upcoming Film City will create 5 lakh to 7 lakh jobs in the state.

"The Film City is set to be a significant driver of Uttar Pradesh's industrial growth. We anticipate it will create 5-7 lakh jobs, both directly and indirectly. The Film City's success could pave the way for similar initiatives across various sectors in the state, as the Uttar Pradesh government remains committed to fostering industrial development and achieving our goal of a 1 trillion dollar economy at the earliest," he told <u>The Indian Express</u>.