

UP among top 5 states for jobs, industrial units: Survey

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Lucknow: UP is among the top five states of India in terms of employment and industrial units, says the Annual Survey of Industries (ASI) 2023-24 report released on Wednesday.

Brought out by the union ministry of statistics and programme implementation, the report showed that the sector recorded a 5.92% increase in employment in 2023-24. In the past decade (2014-15 to 2023-24), the industrial sector created more than 5.7 million jobs.

In terms of employment, Uttar Pradesh joined Tamil Nadu, Gujarat, Maharashtra, and Karnataka in the top 5 states. It also noted that UP holds an 8.51% share in the total number of factories, ranking 4th in the country. Following Tamil Nadu (15.43%), Gujarat (12.81%), and Maharashtra (10.20%), UP's ranking underscores the growing strength of its industrial base.

"The rapid pace of industrial growth over the past eight and a half years generated millions of direct and indirect jobs," a govt official sa-

Record land allotment to GIDA,
₹5,800cr investments in 2025

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Lucknow/Gorakhpur: Incentive-driven policies, ease of doing business and improved connectivity have encouraged reputed national and multinational companies to invest in Gorakhpur, which was once overlooked by investors, said officials at Gorakhpur Industrial Development Authority (GIDA) on Wednesday.

"The authority allocated record 182 acres land for 54 new units, paving way for Rs 5,800 crore in capital investment and creating 8,500 jobs," said Anuj Malik, CEO, GIDA, adding, "Over last five years, GIDA received proposals worth Rs 9,445 crore, ge-

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The official added that the state govt created an environment conducive to investment both domestically and internationally, resulting not only in significant investment inflows but also in the establishment of new factories. In line with govt policies, both traditional and new industrial sectors have been developed, encouraging entre-



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nerating nearly 23,000 employment opportunities."

The list includes global and national brands like PepsiCo, Keyan distillery, Gyan dairy, Technoplast, Central Warehousing Corporation, Kapila agro industry and APL Apollo tubes.

Recently, Adani group's Ambuja cement and Coca-

Cola bottler Amrit bottlers acquired land for new units. Meanwhile, Reliance consumer products ltd and Shree cements have expressed interest, with their representatives visiting GIDA sites to explore investment options.

Malik said to meet growing demand, GIDA not only strengthened its land bank but also initiated development of Dhuriapar Industrial Township in southern Gorakhpur as a new industrial hub, where two major projects had been allotted land. "With world-class road, rail and air connectivity now in place, Gorakhpur—once hesitant to attract even local investors—is rapidly establishing itself on India's industrial map," she said.

preneurs to set up their factories in the state. The Annual Survey of Industries (ASI) 2023-24 highlights Uttar Pradesh's rising industrial strength, with the state contributing 7% to the Gross Value Added (GVA).

The report notes an 11.89% increase in GVA nationwide, while industrial production grew by over 5.80% during the same period. Officials sa-

id that UP played a vital role in the performance of the country's top five industries—basic metals, motor vehicles, chemicals and chemical products, food products, and pharmaceuticals.

The state's growing share in these sectors reflects the impact of its industrial policies, infrastructure reforms, and investment-friendly ecosystem.