

CURTAIN RAISER: CII-Partnership Summit – 2013 – Agra

Uttar Pradesh to host ‘Global Partnerships for Enduring Growth’

- ***To promote Uttar Pradesh as an investment hub and tourism destination***
- ***Global leaders, businesspersons, academia, policy makers to partake***

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Taj Mahal, the unparalleled historical marvel will be witness to a major step of U.P. government’s endeavour to bringing in a paradigm shift in investment climate and facilitation of enterprises in the State. Government of Uttar Pradesh will be hosting the international level ‘Partnership Summit – 2013’ at Agra from January 27th to 29th, 2013. The theme of this year’s summit is ‘Global Partnerships for Enduring Growth’. The flagship international event of Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) is held every year in association with Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Government of India.

Briefing about the objectives and U.P. specific sessions scheduled for this three-day event, Infrastructure and Industrial Development Commissioner **(IIDC) of U.P., Anil Kumar Gupta said** that **interactions at this high level networking platform would focus on detailed and direct dialogue with global as well as Indian industrial and business delegations on ways to enable sustained growth for integrated socio-economic development. Overseas Ministers along with business delegations from USA, Japan, Australia, Canada, Russia, Spain and host of other countries from across the world and a high level U.P. government delegation comprising of Chief Secretary and principal secretaries of key departments will participate actively in this summit. Eighty three overseas business delegations have already confirmed the participation.**

IIDC informed, “Hon’ble Chief Minister, Shri Akhilesh Yadav will himself lead the launch by chairing the special session on ‘Uttar Pradesh – The land of opportunities’ planned on January 28th, Chief Minister is expected to unveil various industry and investment-friendly policies as a package during this summit.”

“It will be an excellent opportunity to apprise the participating global leaders, investors, businesspersons and policy makers about new enterprise and economy enabling policies ushered in by Government of Uttar Pradesh recently across various sectors along with enormous pool of resources and avenues available for investment in Uttar Pradesh,” he added. IIDC was addressing a press conference on this issue here today.

It was informed that the **special session on ‘Uttar Pradesh – The land of opportunities’** will be followed by **U.P. specific parallel sessions** focused on **infrastructure, agriculture & food processing, and textiles & leather**. Indian industrial giants like HCL, ABG, Jubilant Organosys, Jaypee, Reliance, L&T, Lanco, Samsung, etc. along with academia and domain experts of industry and economy are likely to be well represented during these sessions. **These parallel sessions will be organized on the themes** of ‘Uttar Pradesh – On the Highway to Progress, Investment opportunities in infrastructure sector’ and ‘Uttar Pradesh creating investment/entrepreneurship opportunities through Policy Reforms’.

Upcoming premier infrastructure and industrial projects in Uttar Pradesh, like mega leather clusters, IT hubs, mega food parks, dairy projects, roads and expressways, international airports at Agra and Kushinagar, projects under DMIC & DFC, international level cricket stadium, projects pertaining to tourism, etc will be amply showcased through the theme based presentations.

The State government has prepared an elaborate plan and formed various committees to successfully organize this event with the principal aim of attracting investment and enterprises in Uttar Pradesh.

Kiron Chopra, Past Chairman of CII State Council informed that this would be the 19th edition of Partnership Summit. In addition to the **inaugural session on ‘Global Partnerships for enduring Growth, seven plenary sessions** will be held during this partnership summit on various topics, including "The Large Emerging Economies: New Growth Hubs of World", "The New Emerging Global Economic Order: Role of Developed Nations", "South Asia Economic Integration: On a New Path of Progress and Hope", "Rapidly Emerging Global Value Chains: Where Do Developing Economies Fit In", "RCEP: Towards Creating the World's Largest Trading Block", "India and Africa: Redefining Partnerships in the 21st Century", "Rebuilding Global Economic Governance : Role of G 20" respectively.