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potential for development : Chief Minister**

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Process of simplifying labour laws in the state has begun

**Delegation also meets State Assembly Speaker,
Health Minister and Chief Secretary**

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A delegation of the US-India Business Council called on Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath ji at his Shastri Bhawan office today and lauded the state government for various initiatives it was taking to encourage industrial development and investment in the state. The members of the delegation said that all the decisions being taken would be turning points for the state's economy and will promote economic activities in the state.

The delegation also expressed desire to extend cooperation in fields of Healthcare, Cancer Treatment, Tourism, Energy, Design Manufacturing, Education, Food Processing, Potable water technique etc and said they were standing shoulder to shoulder in the quest of the state for comprehensive development.

During the meeting, the Chief Minister told the delegates that Uttar Pradesh was a large state with a population of 22 crore, which makes it the biggest market in the country. The increase in the middle class is also leading to business and investment opportunities in all sectors in the state.

The state also offers immense opportunities of eco and religious tourism, he added. Yogi ji also pointed out that seven cities of the state have

been included in the GoI's Smart City Mission. Besides, efforts were afoot to have five more cities included in this list. To realize the dream and concept of digital India, the Chief Minister informed, the state was working on e-office and e-hospital mechanisms.

He reiterated the commitment of his government to comprehensively develop the state and added that some serious work has been set rolling in this direction. A new Industrial Investment and Employment Promotion Policy - 2017 has been implemented and a single window system was also being developed, the Chief Minister apprised the visiting delegation and informed them that simplifying labour laws in the state was also being worked upon.

To ensure availability of skilled work force for business and industry, Yogi ji said, under the Skill Development Mission, a target of training 10 lakh youth has been fixed. He further added that the state government would welcome all investors in the state and would extend to them all possible help, cooperation, facilities and security.

Yogi ji also said that the state at the time of Independence led the nation in the per capita income slot but has since slipped many notches and held the politics of family and caste responsible for this downfall. Such governments not only diluted the development agenda but through their acts also ensured the exit of serious investors from the state, the Chief Minister mused.

Since the present state government came to power, economic activities have picked up in the state and investors have started trickling in. Samsung has already sealed Rs 5,000 crore investment in the state, he informed. Before the meeting with the Chief Minister, the USIBC delegation called on Health Minister Mr. Siddharth Nath Singh and chief secretary Mr Rajeev Kumar.

At the meeting, Health Minister Mr Siddhartha Nath Singh said that to ring in a positive change in the state, red tape needs to end and transparency brought in. He added that the state government would take benefit from the same ideology governments in the state and the centre and create a conducive

atmosphere to attract investment in UP, so that the Prime Minister's vision could be realised.

The Chief Secretary stated that under the leadership of the Chief Minister, a new work culture was being ushered in the state and that the present state government has initiated some effective initiatives in various sectors for development. He added that these initiatives have started yielding results and added that the officers were dedicated to the vision of the state government.

Also present at the meeting were Additional Chief Secretary (Planning and Program Implementation) Mr. Sanjeev Saran, Principal Secretary (NRI department) Mr. Alok Sinha, Principal Secretary (Information) Mr. Awanish Kumar Awasthi, Principal Secretary (Medical and Health) Mr. Prashant Trivedi and other senior officers.

The delegation also met State Assembly speaker Mr. Hriday Narayan Dixit. He wholeheartedly welcomed the delegates to Uttar Pradesh and said that Indians were capable of making their identity on the global level with their hard work and talent and added that by helping in development by still remaining rooted to their values, it was a matter of immense proud. He also expressed hope that the USIBC would have lasting and fruitful bonds with Uttar Pradesh in times to come.

The delegation included USIBC country director, India Ms. Nivedita Mehra, Senior VP and head of Corporate Affairs of Walmart India, Mr. Rajnish Kumar, Vice President of Health Policy and government affairs at the GE Healthcare Mr. Vibhav Garg, Cisco India's Mr. Saurabh Singh, Director of Intel Mr. Anant Narayan Shanmugam, Director of Metronic India Mr. Amit Kumar Singh, Water Health India's Mr Uthappa SC, Director of PayPal Mr. Nath Parmeshwaran, Mr. Ravi Oberoi (Dua Commuting), Senior Managing Director of the Varian Medical System Mr. Ashok Kakkar and director Mr. Vineet Gupta.

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