

## **Entrepreneurs asked to invest in Food Processing**

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The UP Deputy Chief Minister, Shri Keshav Prasad Maurya, has urged upon entrepreneurs to invest in a big way in food processing sector of Uttar Pradesh. He said that the investors would be provided all relevant facilities including safety and security.

Shri Maurya was addressing a session on Food Processing Sector organised during the Ground Breaking Ceremony-2 here today in Indira Gandhi Pratishthan. He said that the food processing units had a great potential for employment and trade. He said that the problems of entrepreneurs would be solved through Nivesh Mitra.

The workshop was also addressed by the Principal Secretary, Horticulture and Food Processing, Shri Sudhir Garg, Departmental Director, Shri SV Sharma, President of Pepsico India Holding, Shri Ahmed Sheikh and others.

The Minister said that the UP Government had launched several ambitious schemes to attract investors towards food processing sector. For this purpose, the UP Food Processing Industry Policy- 2017 has been amended in larger interest of entrepreneurs.

The Minister said that 14 projects of Food Processing with capital investment of about Rs. 3550

crore had been proposed during the Ground Breaking Ceremony-1. At present, some of these projects either have started production or are about to start production. He said that in the 2<sup>nd</sup> GBC, there are 14 projects of Food Processing Industry with a total investment of Rs. 3064.55 crore. Besides, 18 projects related to sugar mills, dairy and agro processing involve investment of about Rs. 2000 crore.

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