

UP: Second Fastest Growing Economy

Why in News?

As per data of Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation, Uttar Pradesh (UP) has emerged as the second fastest-growing state in India in terms of Gross State Domestic Product (GSDP), with its growth rate accelerating from 5.5% to 8.9%.

■ **Tamil Nadu** holds the **top position** with a GSDP **growth rate of 11.19%.** Small states like Arunachal Pradesh and Meghalaya have also posted significant growth rates of 9.66%.

Key Points About Economic State of UP

- Uttar Pradesh ranks as India's third-largest economy after Maharashtra and Tamil Nadu (<u>NITI Aayog</u>).
 - UP has set an ambitious goal of becoming a \$1 trillion economy by 2029.
 - It has **identified 10 key sectors critical to achieving this target**, with a focus on law and order, agriculture, infrastructure, industrial development, social security, and more.
- In FY 2023-24, Uttar Pradesh's GSDP stood at ₹25.48 lakh crore, up from ₹22.58 lakh crore in the previous fiscal year.
- The state experienced a 23% increase in per capita income from FY 2016-17 to FY 2019-20.
- The agriculture sector's contribution to GSDP increased from 13.7% to 16.8% in FY 2023-24.
 - Meanwhile, the secondary sector accounts for 23% of the GSDP, while the tertiary sector contributes 45%.
- Uttar Pradesh contributes 8% to India's national GDP.

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