

UP govt allocates Rs 10 Cr funding for Medical School at IIT Kanpur

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Gives fillip to multifarious development activities planned for the Medical School

The Uttar Pradesh (UP) government has allocated a fund of Rs 10 crore in the recently announced State Budget 2024-25 for the Medical School at the Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur (IIT-K).

IIT-K has established the Gangwal School of Medical Sciences & Technology, and the Yadupati Singhanian Super Speciality Hospital. While the former will cater to postgraduate academic degrees and biomedical research, the latter would be a 500-bed super specialty hospital fulfilling medical components and high-end care. The state budgetary allocation for IIT Kanpur's Medical School is a significant development, which will help consolidate infrastructure and related services.

This development opens up the scope for grants, funding etc. at the state level. It is anticipated that the Gangwal School of Medical Sciences & Technology shall launch various academic programs by July 2026. The School is already executing the flagship Hridayantra project – development of an affordable and advanced artificial heart – among a number of other significant projects based on contemporary biomedical research problems.

The 500-bed Yadupati Singhanian Super Speciality Hospital, once completed, would offer affordable treatment to patients from the state and elsewhere. Simultaneously, patients would also be able to avail benefits under Ayushman Bharat and other health welfare schemes launched by the Central as well as State governments.

The state-of-the-art medical and research facilities the Medical School would house, are expected to transform the state into a knowledge hub, while also ensuring ease-of-living. With donations from global IIT-K alumni and corporate grants, the School is coming up as a milestone project by the Institute.