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**Proceedings of Meeting  
held on November 30, 2012  
between Uttar Pradesh Government  
and  
Panelists of  
Lucknow Management Association  
Convention 2012  
on  
*Transforming Uttar Pradesh through Agriculture*  
(December 1, 2012)**



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## PROLOGUE

In pursuance of its Vision & Mission, LMA decided to address another important area of public policy through the theme of its flagship event, the Annual Convention, held on December 1, 2012. It was *Transforming Uttar Pradesh through Agriculture*. As a pre-convention programme, LMA proposed a meeting between the Government and the eminent panelists who came to address the Convention to seek inputs from them on how to scale up Agriculture Sector in Uttar Pradesh and boost growth. Hon'ble Minister Sri Anand Singh ji graciously consented to Chair this meeting and Sri Alok Ranjan Agriculture Production Commissioner, U.P., to Co-chair the meeting which was held on November 30, 2012.

Hon'ble Minister and the APC articulated the constraints and challenges in U.P.'s agriculture growth and each of the eminent panelists (except Professor R.B. Singh, who could not be present due to some unavoidable preoccupation) responded to all the concerns and also provided many useful additional inputs based on rich experience in their respective fields.

An interesting feature of this Convention and the meeting, though unintended, was that most of the eminent panelists had their origin in Uttar Pradesh, while they had distinguished themselves in Agriculture field elsewhere. They obviously have an emotional attachment with the State and have a commitment to its growth. This was displayed in full measure in this meeting when they offered their full support along with the support of the premier institutions they head. They also offered to implement on ground, some of the interventions they had suggested, to take Uttar Pradesh on a higher growth trajectory. This has opened an unprecedented opportunity for the State to leverage the services of some country's best experts and organizations for the transformation of Uttar Pradesh.

Proceedings of this meeting are being presented here in the form of edited transcripts for the reason that they are in conversational language, also articulate the arguments in support of the various proposals and retain the emphasis and impact of the observations made by the participants. These scripts are duly vetted by the participants who had expressed views in the discussions. In addition, an Executive Summary is also being given. It is hoped that these proceedings will act as a guide and help policy makers and those charged with responsibility of implementation to take forward various issues discussed in the meeting. LMA has also brought out a Convention Journal containing research papers on the theme and sub themes, which has already been circulated among the participants of the Convention. We will also publish, in due course, edited transcripts of the presentations made in the Convention. All this material together, will hopefully, assist the stakeholders effectively in their mission to move the State forward through Agriculture

LMA takes this opportunity to thank Hon'ble Minister, Sri Anand Singh ji and Sri Alok Ranjan, Agriculture Production Commissioner, U.P. for providing an opportunity to LMA to organize this pre convention meeting. LMA also acknowledges with gratitude the valuable contribution made in this meeting by the eminent panelists. We also thank Hotel Best Western Plus Levana for the excellent physical arrangements made by them for the meeting.

Lucknow, December 12, 2012

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