

Co-op sugar mill to be set up in UP, first in 26 years



In a major boost to the dying sugar co-operative sector in UP, SP supremo Mulayam Singh Yadav on Friday laid the foundation stone of a 3,500 TCD Sathiaon sugar mill in Azamgarh on the ruins of a sugar factory which was shut almost eight years ago. It will be the first sugar mill to come up in the cooperative sector after 26 years. The sugar factory, which will be built on an investment of Rs 344 crore, will have a 15 mw cogeneration plant and a 30 KL distillery. The factory is expected to become operational in time for the next sugar season. The factory will be the first in the cooperative sector to have a cogeneration plant. According to an official, the defunct sugar mill, which had a capacity of 1,250 TCD, will be dismantled and land will be utilised to set up a new mill, and the capacity will be trebled.