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# Prez lauds state for agri growth, ease of doing business

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President Pranab Mukherjee, while inaugurating the India International Trade Fair 2015 in New Delhi on Saturday, lauded the progress of Madhya Pradesh in various sectors, especially its double-digit agriculture growth rate. The President also praised the state for its Ease of Doing Business.

Madhya Pradesh is participating as Focus State in this year's India International Trade Fair. Commerce, Industries and Employment Minister Yashodhara Raje Scindia represented the state in the fair.

Scindia threw light on Madhya Pradesh's industrial development and investment potential. She said that apart from being Focus State in the trade fair,



President Pranab Mukherjee inaugurates 'India International Trade Fair-2015' in New Delhi. Minister for Industries Yashodhara Raje Scindia was also present.

Madhya Pradesh has also emerged as Focus State in industrial investment. Scindia said that Madhya Pradesh stands fifth in the

country in Ease of Doing Business. She said that Madhya Pradesh is on top in the country in land allotment and grant of permis-

sion for constructions. Scindia also inaugurated Madhya Pradesh Pavilion in the fair. Scindia said that conducive climate exists for

industries in the state due to adequate availability of power, water, land and skilled manpower. The state government is extending a number of facilities to investors to set up industries. She said that the state has immense potential in sectors like food processing, automobiles, engineering goods, skill development, medicines, information technology, technical education, renewable energy, textiles and tourism.

Union Minister of State for Commerce Nirmala Sitaraman, Bangladesh's High Commissioner Syed Muazzam Ali, Afghanistan's Ambassador Shaida Mohammad Abdali, Jharkhand's Village Industry Minister Neelkanth Singh Munda, Union Commerce Secretary Rita Tiyotiya and Chairman-cum-Managing Director of ITPO LC Goyal were also on the dais.