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## Master plan for Delhi-Mumbai Industrial Corridor first zone notified

JAIPUR: The urban development & housing department has notified the Master Plan for Shahjahanpur-Neemrana-Behror region under the Delhi-Mumbai Industrial Corridor (DMIC), paving way for development of the area by various agencies.

"The Master Plan has been prepared for 555 sq km factoring in future development as the freight corridor will fuel growth of multiple sectors. The plan which was notified last week, covers a wider spectrum of economic activities compared to the plan prepared by DMIC consultant," said a senior UDH official.

As part of the DMIC project, consultant Kuiper Compagnons BV had finalized its master plan for the Khushkhera-Bhiwadi-Neemrana investment region spread over 165 sq km and submitted to the state government last year. Since the government wanted to extend the area for development in view of the future demand, the UDH prepared a new plan taking into account the requirements of various departments like RIICO and housing.

Khushkhera-Bhiwadi-Neemrana is being developed as the first node for which land acquisition is almost complete.

The \$100 billion DMIC project envisages developments within 150 km on both sides of the 1,483 km long freight corridor, 39% of which will pass through Rajasthan. The state will develop industrial clusters and multiple projects on both sides of corridor.

The corridor has been planned to create a strong economic base with internationally competitive environment and advanced infrastructure to boost domestic commerce, attract foreign investments and attain sustainable development. It is designed to reduce travel time between Delhi to Jawaharlal Nehru Port Trust in Mumbai significantly facilitating faster turnaround and enhanced exports.

Early bird projects that would come up in the node include aerotropolis at Kot Kasim in Alwar, knowledge city and a road link of 70 km between Neemrana and Bhiwadi.