UP mall owned by Cong MLA demolished

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Rampur: In a huge blow to the Congress's four-time MLA from Tanda Nawab Kazim Ali Khan, the district administration on Tuesday demolished his 100-shop mall that was allegedly built on Wakf land.

The local administration, in the presence of Shia Central Waqf Board chairman Waseem Rizvi brought bulldozers and cranes to demolish Khan’s dream project, which he had earlier said would be completed soon in Rampur's Civil Lines.

Rizvi rubbed salt on Khan’s wound by moving an application at the Civil Lines police station for an FIR against the MLA.

“During his tenure as mutawalli (caretaker) of Wakf Board, Khan passed an illegal order in 2012 for the construction of the shopping mall after signing an agreement with the builder,” Rizvi alleged.

Khan, however, asserted that it was the demolition that was illegal. The Shia Central Board chairman and the district administration were guilty of contempt of court, he said, adding that the district and sessions court of Rampur had passed an order staying the demolition.