

Sikkim Delegation Explores Rajasthan's Rich Heritage under Yuva Sangam Phase VII

Delegates Visit Mehrangarh Fort and Interact with Shri Gaj Singh II in Jodhpur

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The **Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Education**, is organising **Yuva Sangam Phase VII** under the **Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat** programme to strengthen people-to-people connections and promote mutual understanding among the youth of India.

The first tour of **Yuva Sangam Phase VII** was flagged off from **Sikkim University**, the nodal institution, on **25 September 2026**, marking the commencement of the **Sikkim–Rajasthan exchange**. The Rajasthan leg is being hosted by **Indian Institute of Technology Jodhpur**.



The **Sikkim delegation** arrived in **Jodhpur** on **29 September 2026** and is participating in a series of cultural and educational engagements to experience Rajasthan's heritage, traditions and history.



As part of the visit, the delegation visited **Mehrangarh Fort on 1 October 2026**. The delegates explored the fort's historic architecture, courtyards and heritage spaces, gaining insights into Rajasthan's history and architectural legacy.



The delegation also interacted with **Shri Gaj Singh II** on 1 October 2026. The interaction provided the young participants an opportunity to learn about Rajasthan's heritage, traditions and historical legacy, further enriching their understanding of the State's cultural heritage.



The **Sikkim–Rajasthan exchange** reflects the objectives of Yuva Sangam by providing young Indians an opportunity to travel beyond their home States, engage with local communities and experience India’s diverse cultural traditions. Through such exchanges, the programme seeks to foster mutual understanding among youth and strengthen the spirit of **Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat** and **unity in diversity**.

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