

Meghalaya CM Meets USTM Vice-Chancellor Mahbubul Haque



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After being released on bail, Meghalaya Chief Minister Conrad Sangma met Mahbubul Haque, the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Science and Technology Meghalaya (USTM), at the Chief Minister's residence. This was the first meeting of Sangma after his release from custody. During their meeting, it is reported that the Assam Chief Minister, Himanta Biswa Sarma, discussed the use of unethical methods in examinations.

Following the meeting, Haque described the discussion as "important and insightful," noting that the Chief Minister had provided valuable advice. After spending nearly a month in custody, Haque expressed his intention to focus on the education sector at USTM. He emphasized that USTM is one of the top 200 universities in India and praised its success in maintaining excellence, commitment, and high standards in education.

Haque highlighted the significance of USTM receiving 'A' grade accreditation, calling it a major achievement, particularly for an institution in Northeast India. This recognition reflects the quality of education and institutional integrity at USTM. Haque also expressed his desire to expand USTM's reach beyond India, particularly targeting Southeast Asian countries, in line with the Indian government's Act East Policy, which aims to enhance India's relationships with countries in the region. He envisioned USTM becoming a world-class institution by 2030, with students from Southeast Asia being involved in its programs.

Given the geographical location of Northeast India, Haque emphasized that USTM's strategic position could act as an academic bridge between India and neighboring East Asian countries. This geographic advantage could make USTM a key player in strengthening educational ties in the region.

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