

Zero tolerance to terror: Rajnath



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Union home minister Rajnath Singh reiterated zero tolerance to the militant activities two days after NDFB-S militants killed at least 70 Adivasi people in Kokrajhar and Sonitpur districts. During his visit to the trouble-hit areas in Kokrajhar and Sonitpur districts on Thursday, Singh asked the state government to firmly [deal](#) with the militant activities. Moreover, he asked chief minister Tarun Gogoi to set up relief camps for the [victims](#)' family members and the panic stricken people. Singh urged the people to exercise maximum restraint and to ensure that these cycle of violence is not allowed to take communal line. Accompanied by minister of state for home Kiren Rijiju, minister of state for tribal affairs Jual Ornam and chief minister Tarun Gogoi, Singh left for Sonitpur district and visited the trouble areas. They further talked to the local residents and [victims](#)' family members. Then they left for Kokrajhar to visit the trouble torn areas to take stock of the situation in the afternoon. He said that the government won't allow terror activities to rule the roost. He further assured Gogoi of more assistance if need be. Singh wrapped up his visit after holding a press conference in Guwahati towards the evening.

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GUWAHATI, October 1, 2026 — The Department of Applied Biology, University of Science & Technology Meghalaya (USTM), in association with the Microbiologists Society, India (MBSI) and the Federation of European Microbiological Societies (FEMS), concluded International Microorganisms Day 2026 and a national workshop on “Academic Writing and Scholarly Publications” on Thursday.

The programme, held from September 17, focused on strengthening academic writing, research communication and scholarly publishing skills among Master's students, research scholars and early-career researchers.

USTM Vice Chancellor Prof G D Sharma inaugurated the programme. Prof Kumananda Tayung, Dean, Faculty of Sciences, Gauhati University, and Dr Niraj Singh, State President, MBSI (Assam & Meghalaya), attended as Chief Guest-cum-Resource Person and Guest of Honour respectively.

Experts from India and Saudi Arabia conducted sessions on scientific writing, manuscript preparation, publication ethics, scholarly communication and journal selection. Participants from USTM, The Assam Royal Global University and Cotton University attended the programme.

A Poster and Model Competition was also organised, with prizes distributed to the winners.

The programme was organised under the chairpersonship of Dr Sony Kumari, Head, Department of Applied Biology, with Dr Yugal Kishore Mohanta as Convener and Dr Tamanna Bhuyan as coordinator.

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