

Gujarat to have forensic science university: Modi

A forensic science university is to be set up in Gujarat, according to Chief Minister Narendra Modi.

Speaking at a function here Wednesday evening, Modi said that forensic science was making a significant contribution in judicial procedures.

The function was convened to bid farewell to the chief justice of the Gujarat High Court, Yad Ram Meena.

By setting up the university, Gujarat intends to play a crucial role in cultivating distinguished human resource in forensic science as it would help unravel vital clues in solving cyber crimes, economic offences and crimes committed using sophisticated technology.

Gujarat's innovative initiatives have speeded up judicial proceedings, the chief minister said.

Meena, who was elevated as chief justice in February 2007, praised Modi for setting up Evening Courts and for unveiling other novel legal initiatives including developing infrastructure like court buildings.

'When I took charge there were 3.9 million pending cases. Today the figure has come down to 2.2 million. Gujarat has become the first state to achieve the goal of cutting down pending cases,' Meena said.

Modi presented a shawl and memento to Meena. Chief Secretary Manjula Subramanyam presented a shawl to Laxmi Meena.

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