



Gorakhpur Sainik School Inaugurated | Uttar Pradesh | 09 Sep 2024

Why in News?

Recently, the [Vice President](#) inaugurated the [Gorakhpur Sainik School](#), praising its facilities and highlighting its importance for education in **eastern Uttar Pradesh**.

Key Points

- **Gorakhpur Sainik School Details:**
 - 1st Sainik School in Eastern Uttar Pradesh.
 - 2nd Sainik School managed by the **Uttar Pradesh Sainik School Society**.
 - 5th Sainik School in Uttar Pradesh; others are in [Jhansi](#), **Amethi**, **Mainpuri** (run by Defence Ministry) and **Lucknow** (run by Uttar Pradesh government).
- The Vice President also visited **Gorakhdham temple in Gorakhpur**.
 - The Gorakhdham Temple in Gorakhpur is dedicated to Guru Gorakshanath, a prominent saint of the Nath sect, and serves as a major pilgrimage site and spiritual center.
 - The temple features traditional [Hindu architectural](#) elements with a prominent **central dome and detailed interiors**.

Sainik Schools

- Sainik Schools are residential institutions offering public school education and are affiliated with the [Central Board of Secondary Education \(CBSE\)](#), New Delhi.
- **Funding:** These schools receive financial support from both **Central and State governments**.
- **Establishment:** Launched in **1961**, Sainik Schools were designed to prepare students academically, physically, and mentally for entry into the **National Defence Academy**.
- **Governance:** They are managed by the **Sainik Schools Society under the Ministry of Defence**, established under the [Societies Registration Act XXI of 1860](#).