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Teach MBBS, engineering in Tamil, Shah tells Stalin

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Union Home Minister Amit Shah on Friday urged Tamil Nadu Chief Minister M.K. Stalin to impart medical and engineering education in Tamil.

Addressing the 56th CISF Raising Day at the newly named Rajaditya Cholan Recruits Training Centre (RTC) here in Ranipet district of Tamil Nadu, Mr. Shah said various States had offered courses in their regional language.

The Minister's suggestion comes amid Mr. Stalin's allegation that the Union government was trying



Amit Shah

to impose Hindi on the southern States through the National Education Policy.

The Tamil Nadu Chief Minister too should take steps to teach medical and technical courses in Tamil. "It will benefit Tamil medium students along with strengthening Tamil as a mother tongue," he said.

Incidentally, Tamil Nadu had introduced Tamil medium BE/BTech courses in 2010 under the Karunanidhi government.

Words of praise

Praising Tamil Nadu, Mr. Shah said whether it was "administrative reforms, achieving spiritual heights, setting educational standards, or promoting the message of unity and integrity of the country", the State had greatly strengthened Indian culture in every field.

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"In line with this, it has been decided to name the CISF Regional Training Centre in Thakkolam after the great warrior of the Chola dynasty, Rajaditya Chola," Mr. Shah said.

Mr. Shah said the CISF had not only ensured the development, progress and mobility of the country, but had also played an important role in its smooth functioning. The Minister said that earlier there was no provision for writing recruitment examinations for the Central Armed Police Forces (CAPF) in regional languages, but now the youth could write examinations in Tamil and other languages included in the Eighth Schedule of the Constitution.

To mark the occasion, the CISF personnel and commandos, assisted by well-trained dogs, demonstrated their skills in dealing with fires, accidents and terrorist attacks.