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Shri Kiren Rijiju, Union Minister of Parliamentary Affairs and Minority Affairs, attends the raising of 108 Stupas in Bhutan



CHENNAI – 2 Nov, 2026 Union Minister for Parliamentary Affairs and Minority Affairs, Shri Kiren Rijiju represented Government of India at the ceremony for raising and consecration of 108 Stupas in Gelephu Mindfulness City, Bhutan, led by His Majesty The King of Bhutan on 01 November 2026. Shri Rijiju's presence at the 108 Stupas event is an expression of shared spiritual and cultural ties, and the close friendship between the peoples of India and Bhutan.

The 108 Stupas project was conceived by His Majesty The King of Bhutan who also steered its implementation. In a single day, thousands of volunteers erected 108 Stupas, each 15 metres tall and separated by 108 metres on an 11.7 kilometre stretch along the Aie (Mau) River within Gelephu Mindfulness City near the border with Assam. The project aims to showcase Gelephu Mindfulness City as a prominent center of Vajrayana Buddhism, while simultaneously representing the values and culture of the Bhutanese people.