

Odisha to sign eight MoUs during Singapore President's visit

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Singapore's President Tharman Shanmugaratnam inspects the guard of honour during a ceremonial reception at the Rashtrapati Bhavan. File | Photo Credit: PTI

Singapore President Tharman Shanmugaratnam is scheduled to visit Odisha for two days starting Friday, during which at least eight MoUs will be signed between the island country and the coastal state.

The Singapore President's visit is coming to Odisha just days ahead of the business conference 'Utkarsh Odisha: Make-in-Odisha conclave', slated for January 28 and 29.

Accompanied by a high-level delegation, including Ministers, MPs, and officials, President Shanmugaratnam will arrive in Bhubaneswar at 11.30 a.m..

Odisha Chief Minister Mohan Charan Majhi, other Ministers and senior officials will meet him in a hotel later.

In the afternoon, he will attend the signing of the MoU seeking to extend cooperation in Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) to further enhance the skill development ecosystem, particularly for the semiconductor industry in the State.

Another MoU will be signed between Odisha Industrial Infrastructure Development (IDCO) and Sembcorp, Singapore. For the development of a new city, an agreement will be inked between the Bhubaneswar Development Authority (BDA) and Surbana Jurong, Singapore.

Pacts will also be signed, among others, for skill development in the semiconductor sector, for a green hydrogen corridor and for developing Petro Chemical and Petroleum Investment Region (PCPIR).

Mr. Shanmugaratnam is also scheduled to visit the World Skill Centre, which was set up here by Singapore's Institute of Technical Education and Education Services (ITEES) with funding from the Asian Development Bank.

On January 18, the President will visit the Sun Temple in Konark and the vaccine manufacturing plant of Bharat Biotech on the outskirts of the State capital.

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