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Prez visit: 3K personnel to ensure security



Dress rehearsal conducted at Regal Square ahead of president Pranab Mukherjee's visit on Thursday — Anand Shrivastava

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Police and administrative officers on Thursday carried out a security drill from airport to IIT Simrol ahead of President Pranab Mukherjee's visit to the city. Around 3,000 police personnel including officers would be deployed for the programme from airport to the venue besides adjoining areas.

IG Vipin Maheshwari is the security in charge while DIG (rural) PK Mathur is the security in charge of the IIT campus at Simrol and adjoining areas. DIG Rakesh Gupta will be responsible for the security arrangements in the city.

The dress rehearsal of Presi-

dent's visit with a cavalcade from airport to the venue was done by police and administrative officers. The officers examined the arrangements during the rehearsal and issued instructions accordingly. Meanwhile, security personnel conducted an inspection at

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the railway station, bus stand and other places to take a stock of the situation and verified the credentials of people. The character and credentials of the drivers and other staff to be engaged in the President's visit were verified. Officers reviewed arrangements at the

route for President's convoy.

Traffic police have also issued an advisory and route diversion details so that commuters could avoid the routes through which the President's convoy is scheduled to pass. More than 3,000 security personnel including anti-terrorist squad have been pressed in for President's security. Special security vehicles including jammers have been called from Delhi. Collector Akash Tripathi, ADM Alok Kumar Singh, and subordinate officers frequented between airport and Simrol to review the arrangements. Officers communicated with senior authorities at Bhopal and updated them about the status.