

Better law has changed image of Uttar Pradesh among Indian diaspora: Deputy CM

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LUCKNOW: Deputy chief minister Brajesh Pathak on Sunday said that crackdown on criminals has changed the perception of Uttar Pradesh on national and global front, as well as among the Indian diaspora. Addressing a programme organised by Uttar Pradesh Development Forum (UPDF), a not for profit organisation committed to keeping Indian diaspora with roots from UP connected, Pathak said: "Before 2017, using and flaunting guns was the culture. Now, even those who have licence do not carry their weapons as there is no need for it. The patronised and privileged have been shown the door by the people."

He said Uttar Pradesh was set to become India's anchor of development. Spiritual leader Swami Umakanthnanda Saraswati was the guest of honour

in the programme in which several persons of Indian origin (PIOs), who contributed to Uttar Pradesh during the pandemic crisis, were felicitated.

Chairman, Uttar Pradesh Development Forum, Pankaj Gandhi, whose book 'Vikas Ka Uttar Path' was also launched on the occasion said: "Indians all over the world have a strong connect with their roots. Many of them have already achieved benchmarks in their areas of work and the state can benefit from their skill, knowledge base and experience."