

# Replaced red tape with red carpet for investors: Rajnath

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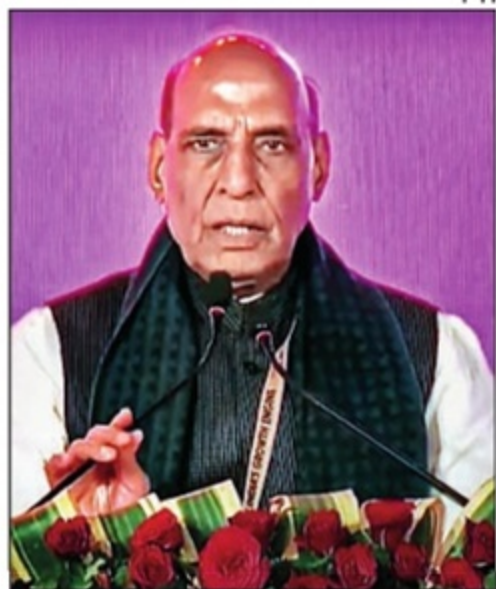
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**Lucknow:** Defence minister Rajnath Singh on Friday criticized the previous governments led by the opposition parties for allegedly creating roadblocks for trade and industry in the name of “pseudo-secularism”.

“Even the existing industries were pushed into crisis-like situations. There came a time when despite having all the resources, people started avoiding the field of trade and business,” he said, while speaking at the inaugural session of the Global Investors Summit.

Singh said that it was because of the ever-growing credibility of the Narendra Modi government at the Centre that the trade and businesses got their much deserved status.

Rajnath said the Modi government has also ended red tapism and instead has been rolling out a ‘red carpet’ for the investors. He said the economic growth in Gujarat during Modi’s tenure as CM



Rajnath Singh at the event

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**RAJNATH SINGH**  
Defence minister

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will be recapitulated in UP. “The state under the leadership of CM Yogi Adityanath has emerged as investor friendly,” he said.