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PM Modi meets Sikh, Gujarati community members in San Jose

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San Jose: Prime Minister Narendra Modi met representatives of the Sikh and Gujarati communities here at the start of his "tech-startup-energy-diaspora oriented" weekend visit to the Silicon Valley.

The Prime Minister's weekend stay in San Jose is a "tech-startup-energy-diaspora" oriented visit, External Affairs Ministry spokesperson Vikas Swarup said after Modi reached the innovation and entrepreneur hub of the world yesterday.

Soon after his hour-long photo session with eminent community leaders, Modi met with two separate delegations of Sikh and Gujarati communities.

The two delegations submitted memorandums to the Prime Minister.

Modi is the first Indian premier to visit the Silicon Valley in more than 30 years.

Following an hour long marathon photo session with some 800 Indian-Americans from across the country, Modi said, "I will get a chance to address you tomorrow."

The select gathering of Indian-Americans, invited from across the country, greeted him by raising pro-Modi slogans as he entered the ball room of the hotel, where he is staying, directly from the San Jose Airport.

At the San Jose Airport, Modi was welcomed by several Indian-Americans who waived Indian flags and greeted him. Modi briefly interacted with them.

Soon after landing in San Jose, Modi said in a tweet that he is "eagerly awaiting" the programmes in the coming two days.

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