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We are building
a private space station

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# OUT OF THIS WORLD!

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The future of Bangladesh's interim government, led by Muhammad Yunus, will hinge on how effectively it navigates both internal and external pressures



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Conventional wisdom suggested that the countries our delegation visited-Saudi Arabia. Kuwait. Bahrain and Algeria-would be difficult to deal with,

if not outright hostile. What we encountered was refreshingly different. Prime Minister Modi's sustained efforts to build relationships with these countries have led to a dramatic shift in their outlook towards India.



This is the 25th year of continuous human presence in the International Space Station, circling 400km above earth. Adding to the celebration, India is thrilled to send Group Captain Shubhanshu Shukla to the shared home in space—an experience truly out of this world!

#### INTERVIEW



Private stations have opened up space to countries without access.

-Michael Lopez-Alegria

#### **PLUS**

Shukla's mission will help understand life in microgravity and revolutionise fields ranging from agriculture to medicine.

#### CONTROVERSY

"Asbestos ban is a health imperative, not iust a moral issue": Jayant Chaudhary, minister of state for skill development and entrepreneurship





Tibetan Muslims in Kashmir have carved out a unique space for themselves by blending two rich cultures, even as they grapple economic hardship





"I don't carry a cane and tell actors that they have to come here, or I will beat them. It is the passion that drives you."

> -Mani Ratnam. filmmaker

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