

District Administration Leh Organizes Awareness Workshop on Safer Internet Day

Leh, 11 February 2025: The District Administration Leh organized an informative and insightful awareness workshop on Safer Internet Day at the DC Office Conference Hall in Leh today. The workshop, held under the theme "Together for a Better Internet," aimed at promoting cyber hygiene, raising awareness about key cyber threats, and equipping participants with effective strategies for cyber safety.

The event was graced by several key dignitaries, including District Informatics Officer (DIO), NIC, Tashi, who opened the session with a briefing on the objectives of the workshop. The distinguished guests included Deputy Commissioner Leh, Sh. Santosh Sukhadeve, IAS; Ladakh Police Sub Inspector and Women Police SHO, Deachen Angmo; Senior Manager of CRISIL Foundation, Moneywise CFL Project J&K and Ladakh, Kifayat Hussain Wani; and Project Manager of Information Technology Department, UT Ladakh, Sajad Hussain.

During the workshop, the Deputy Commissioner Leh emphasized the growing concerns of cybercrimes such as fraud calls, text messages, and digital arrests that are increasingly affecting individuals in the region. He highlighted the importance of staying aware of these issues, as many government employees in Ladakh have already been victims of cybercrime. DC Leh, Sh. Santosh Sukhadeve stressed the need for collective efforts to use the internet safely while learning from the theme of this year's Safer Internet Day.

Additionally, the Deputy Commissioner shared his views on the future of digital services in Ladakh, stating that in the coming times, the focus will also be on expanding online services across the region. As internet access becomes more available in every village of Ladakh, the administration aims to make e-services more accessible, ensuring that the local population can benefit from easier access to digital services. This initiative will contribute significantly to digital literacy and help improve overall efficiency in the region.

In his presentation, Tashi, DIO NIC, provided detailed insights into various internet-related threats such as phishing, vishing, smishing, financial theft scams, fake apps, and investment frauds. He discussed both the advantages and disadvantages of the internet and how citizens can safeguard themselves from these threats. Few Case Studies related to cyber crime and reporting mechanisms were presented by Sub-Inspector/SHO Women's Police Station, Leh, Deachen Angmo. Similarly, Kifayat Hussain Wani, Senior Manager-Crisil Foundation, MoneyWise CFL Project- Ladakh- J&K, provided insights on Cyber fraud and Preventions. Lastly, Sajad Hussain, Project Manager, IT Department, UT Ladakh conducted a training session on e-office . The participants included officers and officials of different departments, CSC (Common Service Centres) VLEs (Village Level Entrepreneurs), volunteers from NYK (Nehru Yuva Kendra), Leh and others.

The event concluded with other dignitaries sharing their perspectives on the importance of fostering a safer internet environment. The workshop served as a critical platform to promote cybersecurity awareness and the responsible use of digital technologies across the region.



