

**LG Kavinder Gupta chairs high-level security review meeting *Says lifting curbs reflects public trust in UT Administration Lauds police, security agencies, people & civil society for maintaining peace and stability Reaffirms UT Admin's commitment to holistic development of Ladakh Urges people to stay vigilant & united against disruptive elements***

Leh, October 16: The Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor of Ladakh, Shri Kavinder Gupta, today chaired a high-level security review meeting at the LG Secretariat, Leh, to assess the overall law and order situation and review security scenario across the Union Territory.

In the meeting, Chief Secretary Dr. Pawan Kotwal, Director General of Police Dr. S.D. Singh Jamwal, DIG CRPF P.R. Jambolkar, Deputy Commissioner Leh, Senior Superintendent of Police Leh, CO 79 —Shri Sanjay Kumar, CO Rajat Jain and other senior officials were present.

They briefed the Lt Governor on the prevailing situation in the UT, informing that peace and normalcy have been fully restored. They apprised that schools, colleges, public institutions, and government offices are functioning smoothly, while all essential services and public transport are operating seamlessly.

The Deputy Commissioner, Leh, informed that all restrictions, including Section 163 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita (BNSS), have been formally lifted, marking a complete return to normalcy across the region.

The Hon'ble Lt Governor commended the concerted efforts of the civil and police administration, security agencies, and the people of Ladakh for their exemplary role in maintaining peace, harmony, and stability in the Union Territory. He lauded the collective spirit and cooperation of the people of Ladakh and civil society organisations for their steadfast commitment to peace and social harmony. He reiterated that the lifting of all curbs reflects the deep trust and confidence that citizens repose in the UT Administration.

Emphasising the administration's resolve to ensure a secure and people-centric governance framework, Shri Kavinder Gupta said that sustained coordination among all agencies remains crucial to preserve the prevailing peace and ensure continued public convenience. He also urged citizens to remain alert and united against elements attempting to disrupt Ladakh's stability and progress.

The Hon'ble Lt Governor reaffirmed the Administration's commitment to the holistic development of Ladakh through inclusive, transparent, and accountable governance, aimed at ensuring a prosperous and secure future for all.

