

## **The evolving government schools of Ladakh committed to building stronger foundations and igniting bright futures**

Leh, 20 February 2026: The Administrative Secretary of the School Education Department, Bhanu Prabha, today attended the inauguration-cum-upgradation ceremony of Government Primary School, Skara Yokma, into a Ladakh Model School in Leh.

She was accompanied by the Principal, DIET Leh; District Programme Officer (DPO) Leh; Deputy Chief Education Officer (Dy CEO), Kargil; Zonal Education Officer (ZEO) Leh, Padma Dechen; other Heads of Departments, the Nambardar of Skara, members of the Village Education Committee (VEC), teachers, students, and parents.

The Headmaster of the school, Dorje Namgail, delivered the welcome address and highlighted the significant role played by the School Education Department and the Administrative Secretary in strengthening government schools across Ladakh. He expressed gratitude for the upgradation of the school and stressed the need to increase student enrolment in the coming academic sessions to fully utilise the enhanced facilities.

Speaking on the occasion, Administrative Secretary Bhanu Prabha stated that it is her vision to promote and strengthen all government schools in the Union Territory. She emphasised the importance of quality education, improved infrastructure, and regular monitoring of students' academic progress. She called upon parents and teachers to work collaboratively to ensure the holistic development of students. She further expressed her commitment that, in the coming years, every government school in Ladakh would be developed into a model school with modern facilities and innovative teaching practices.

The Nambardar of Skara, Angchuk, congratulated the department on the upgradation of the school and placed several key concerns and requirements of the institution before the Secretary, seeking continued support for its overall development.

Architect Konchok Tashi gave a detailed presentation on the architectural design and structural features of the upgraded school building, explaining how the design incorporates innovative learning spaces aimed at creating a child-friendly and inspiring academic environment.

During the programme, the dignitaries took a comprehensive round of the school premises, inspecting classrooms and reviewing the upgraded facilities under the Model School framework. They interacted with the students, encouraging them to make the best use of the enhanced learning environment and motivating them to pursue their studies with dedication.

As a gesture of support and to mark the beginning of their academic journey, the dignitaries also felicitated the newly enrolled students with school bags.

The programme concluded with a vote of thanks delivered by ZEO Leh, Padma Dechen, who thanked the Administrative Secretary and all dignitaries for their presence and reiterated the department's commitment to strengthening the education system in the region.

The School Education Department under the leadership of HLG, UT Ladakh and constant guidance of the CS, UT Ladakh is committed to improving the educational landscape of the UT.



