

LG Kavinder Gupta meets Union Finance Minister, discusses Ladakh's developmental priorities

New Delhi, Dec 12: The Lieutenant Governor of Ladakh, Shri Kavinder Gupta today met the Hon'ble Union Finance Minister, Smt. Nirmala Sitharaman Ji, in New Delhi and held a detailed discussion on Ladakh's developmental priorities, financial requirements and measures to strengthen infrastructure for inclusive growth.

During the meeting, the Lieutenant Governor apprised the Union Finance Minister of Ladakh's ongoing efforts to strengthen infrastructure, accelerate development works and ensure inclusive growth across the region. He highlighted that the UT administration has put in place effective systems, strengthened institutional capacity and streamlined project implementation mechanisms to ensure timely and efficient utilisation of funds.

The Lieutenant Governor requested enhanced budgetary support to sustain the development momentum and meet emerging requirements. He emphasized the need for adequate capital support for infrastructure projects, land acquisition related to major central sector projects, and continued assistance for local self-government institutions.

Issues related to power sector obligations, disaster management preparedness and further strengthening of grassroots governance were also discussed, with the Lieutenant Governor underscoring the importance of financial support to ensure uninterrupted public services and resilience against natural challenges.

The Hon'ble Union Finance Minister gave a patient hearing to the submissions made by the Lieutenant Governor and assured that the requests put forth by the UT Administration of Ladakh would be examined in a positive and supportive manner.

The meeting underscored the Government of India's continued engagement with the UT Administration to ensure sustainable development, improved infrastructure and balanced growth in Ladakh.



