

L-G Vinai Kumar Saxena formally inaugurates five new districts in Ladakh *Directs DCs and SPs to address concerns of public, maintain law & order in new districts*

Leh, April 29: Just two days after approving the issuance of notification for the creation of five new districts in the Union Territory of Ladakh, the Lieutenant Governor, Shri Vinai Kumar Saxena, formally inaugurated the new districts—Changthang, Nubra, Zaskar, Sham, and Drass—marking a significant step towards decentralised governance and inclusive development.

Congratulating the people of Ladakh, the Lieutenant Governor said the move fulfils a long-pending demand of local representatives and aligns with the vision of “Governance at Doorsteps” of Hon’ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi. He termed it a “new beginning” aimed at bringing administration closer to remote communities.

Highlighting Ladakh’s vast and challenging terrain, he noted that residents often travel long distances to access basic services, and said the new districts would ensure improved accessibility, faster service delivery, and better administrative outreach.

The Lieutenant Governor directed the newly appointed Deputy Commissioners and Superintendents of Police to adopt a people-centric approach, regularly visit villages, organise outreach programmes, and ensure prompt grievance redressal. He also emphasised maintaining law and order to preserve Ladakh’s peaceful environment.

He underlined the importance of addressing key issues such as water scarcity through better utilisation and storage of glacial meltwater to support agriculture and livelihoods.

Expressing confidence in the new administrative units, the Lieutenant Governor said the districts would accelerate development, strengthen governance, and meet the aspirations of the people across Ladakh.



