

Surprise Inspection of Government Offices in Zanskar

Zanskar, January 13, 2026: On the directions of the Sub-Divisional Magistrate, Zanskar, a Committee headed by Shri Mohd Hassan, Tehsildar, Zanskar and comprising the Accounts Officer, ZDA and the Block Development Officer, Zanskar conducted a surprise inspection of various Government offices today to assess punctuality, attendance, and delivery of public services.

During the inspection of CHC, Padum, the Committee scrutinized the attendance registers and verified the leave accounts, inspected medical machinery, and took stock of medicines and other allied items available at the health facility. It was found that 34 staff members out of 109 were absent without authorization, indicating serious lapses in duty and adversely impacting public healthcare services.

In the PWD (Hydraulic) Division, Zanskar, it was observed that 5 non-technical staff out of 18 were absent without authorization, and only three technical staff members were present at the time of inspection. The Committee scrutinized the attendance registers and verified the leave accounts, and further found that no movement of technical or field staff had been recorded by the concerned Drawing and Disbursing Officers (DDOs). This lack of documentation and supervision reflects clear negligence and imprudent administrative practices, severely undermining effective monitoring and service delivery.

Similarly, in the Rural Engineering Wing (REW), Zanskar, only a Junior Engineer was found present in the office. The Committee checked the attendance records and leave position, and noted that no movement or attendance of the AEE, Zanskar was recorded, with the absence of proper documentation regarding official movement viewed as a serious administrative deficiency.

The inspecting committee has taken a serious view of the widespread unauthorized absence and lack of record maintenance. A detailed inspection report has been submitted to the Sub-Divisional Magistrate, Zanskar for further necessary action under rules. The concerned departments have also been directed to ensure strict adherence to office discipline, punctuality, proper maintenance of attendance and movement registers, and uninterrupted delivery of public services.

The Sub-Divisional Administration, Zanskar reiterates that public service, accountability, and mandatory presence during working hours are non-negotiable, and any laxity in this regard shall invite strict action.



