

UT Ladakh Administration resolute in rebuilding flood-affected areas: LG Kavinder Says *continuous engagement with communities cornerstone of UT Admin's approach*

Leh, Sept 1: The Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor of Ladakh, Shri Kavinder Gupta, today reaffirmed the unwavering commitment of the UT Ladakh Administration towards speedy restoration and holistic development of flood-affected areas in the region. He said that every possible measure is being taken to rehabilitate the affected families and to rebuild the damaged infrastructure with a long-term vision of resilience and sustainability.

This was stated by the Lieutenant Governor while interacting with a delegation led by the Councillor from Chushul, Mr Konchok Stanzin, at the LG Secretariat.

The Lt Governor assured the members that the UT Administration is working in mission mode to ensure the timely redressal of grievances and restoration of normalcy. He emphasised that special attention is being given to vulnerable sections, including women, children, and the elderly, to ensure their safety and well-being.

The Lt Governor highlighted that all government departments are coordinating closely with local authorities to expedite relief operations, restore essential services, and reconstruct critical infrastructure such as roads, bridges, and public utilities. He also urged the delegation to actively participate in monitoring relief measures and provide feedback to ensure transparency and efficiency.

Reiterating the UT Administration's commitment, Shri Kavinder Gupta affirmed that the recovery efforts would not only address immediate needs but also strengthen the region's capacity to withstand future natural calamities, fostering sustainable development and resilience.

Earlier, the Councillor from Chushul apprised the Hon'ble Lt Governor about the damages caused by the flash flood on August 12 in Maan and Merak villages. He further apprised the HLG about the challenges being faced by people in flood-hit regions, particularly in terms of connectivity, housing, and livelihood.

Similarly, a delegation from Liktsé village led by His Eminence Khamtak Rinpoche met the Lt Governor and requested assistance for the sustenance of 1.5 saplings planted over the last three years, along with assistance for developing a community centre where traditional education can be provided to the youth.

A delegation comprising artisans also met the Lt Governor and apprised him of the upcoming Enchanting Ladakh and India International Trade Fair (IITF). They also requested the shifting of stalls of Ladakhi artisans at Dilli Haat.

A delegation comprising members of All Ladakh Transport Association met the Lt Governor and submitted their demands regarding blacktopping, parking space and basic facilities at the site of transport unions in Bomb Garh.

Giving a patient hearing to the visiting delegations, the Lieutenant Governor expressed his satisfaction over the constructive discussions with all delegations and assured that their concerns and suggestions will be given priority in the ongoing recovery and development plans. He reaffirmed that the UT Administration is fully committed to not only restoring the flood-affected areas but also promoting livelihood opportunities, cultural preservation, and infrastructure development across the region.

Shri Kavinder Gupta emphasised that continuous engagement with local communities and stakeholders will remain a cornerstone of the UT Administration's approach, ensuring that development initiatives are inclusive, transparent, and sustainable. He reiterated the UT Administration's resolve to build a safer, resilient, and prosperous Ladakh.

