

Secretary Rural Development/Nodal Officer UT Ladakh chairs meeting to review visit of Parliamentary Standing Committee on Home Affairs

Leh, August 13, 2025: Secretary Rural Development and Nodal Officer UT Ladakh, Shashanka Ala, chaired a review meeting to assess and finalise the preparations for the upcoming visit of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Home Affairs, scheduled from September 5 to 7.

The meeting focused on comprehensive arrangements for the Committee's travel, stay, security, and protocol. As the delegation will be arriving by road, the Secretary emphasised the need for meticulous planning to ensure their comfort and convenience from the early hours of their journey. She directed officials to ensure that resting points, including locations showcasing Ladakh's monasteries and cultural heritage, are well-prepared.

Special instructions were issued to the Senior Superintendent of Police, Kargil, to ensure a smooth welcome and robust security during the Committee's one-day stay in Kargil. The Secretary also underlined that from Sonamarg onwards, Ladakh will take full responsibility for the delegation's safety and hospitality. The Indo-Tibetan Border Police (ITBP) was tasked with preparing a detailed visit schedule for their respective jurisdiction and ensuring seamless arrangements.

The hospitality sector, including hotels and identified visit sites, was instructed to maintain the highest standards of service. Coordination between the Army in Kargil and the Ladakh Police was also stressed to maintain a high level of security. The Secretary reviewed all logistical and protocol requirements with the Deputy Commissioners and Senior Superintendents of Police of both Leh and Kargil to ensure there are no shortcomings.

The meeting was attended by Deputy Commissioner/CEO LAHDC Leh, Deputy Commissioner/CEO LAHDC Kargil, Senior Superintendent of Police Security, Senior Superintendent of Police Leh and Kargil, Director Social Welfare Department UT Ladakh, Director Rural Development and Panchayati Raj Department UT Ladakh, Director Tourism UT Ladakh, Director Health and Medical Education Department UT Ladakh, Director Information UT Ladakh, Joint Director Hospitality and Protocol, Joint Director Food UT Ladakh, Regional Transport Officer UT Ladakh, Superintendent of Police Traffic UT Ladakh, Joint Director PD&MD UT Ladakh, and a representative from ITBP.

