Shri Amarnathji Yatra-2012

Governor reviews Yatra issues

SRINAGAR, APRIL 4 – During the series of meetings held at Raj Bhavan here today, Mr. N. N. Vohra, Governor, reviewed the status of each of the various important works which are required to be executed for providing satisfactory arrangements for the forthcoming Shri Amarnathji Yatra.

The Governor, who is also the Chairman of Shri Amarnathji Shrine Board, met Lt. Gen. S. A. Hasnain, GOC XV Corps and Maj. Gen. Gurdeep Singh, GOC Victor Force, to review the present ground situation in regard to the entire Yatra area as well as certain security coordination issues which will surface when the Yatra Camps actually start functioning.

The Governor at a separate meeting with Dr. Asgar Samoon, Divisional Commissioner, Kashmir and Mr. S. M. Sahai, Inspector General of Police, Kashmir Zone, reviewed the status of the preparatory arrangements for ensuring the smooth and orderly movement of the pilgrims to the Nunwan and Baltal Base Camps and thereafter to the tracks leading to the Holy Cave Shrine. He was informed that the required infrastructure would be put in place before the Yatra commences.

The Governor also held discussions with Brig. T. P. S. Rawat, Chief Engineer, Beacon Project, to discuss issues relating to track improvement, initially on Baltal axis. The Governor also discussed the expected pace of snowmelt and problems relating to snow clearance in the crucial segments of the Yatra area.

Mr. Navin Kumar Choudhary, Chief Executive Officer of the Shrine Board, explained that regular review meetings chaired by the Governor will be held in the next two months to ensure the timely completion of arrangements for the ensuing Yatra. He stated that the first security review meeting will be held on 11th May, 2012 at Srinagar and the Governor has also fixed dates for undertaking aerial reconnaissance of the Yatra area with a view to assess the earliest possible date on which work to clear the tracks can commence on both the Chandanwari and Baltal axis.

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