

Shri Amarnathji Yatra 2015

Governor undertakes penultimate review of Yatra arrangements

Srinagar, 30th June: Governor N.N. Vohra, who is Chairman, of Shri Amarnathji Shrine Board, held a meeting with CEO of the Shrine Board Shri P.K. Tripathi, Additional CEO Shri Jitendra Kumar Singh, General Manager Works Shri R.K. Pandita and other concerned officers to review the to-date status of the arrangements for the Yatra which commences on 2nd July, 2015.

CEO reported that as on 29th June, 2015, a total of 2,04,508 pilgrims had secured Advance Registration and 22,104 had purchased helicopter tickets from Baltal and Pahalgam to Panjtarni. Additional CEO informed that power and water have been supplied to all six Yatra Camps. Further, rations and items of food supply are getting delivered to all Camps and Medical Camps have been established at 5 out of 6 Camps; 8,800 ponies have been duly registered out of a total of 13,000 which are allowed to operate on both routes; telephone connectivity is functional at all Camps; 2500 toilets and 245 baths have been installed out of a total of 2792; firewood supplies have reached 5 out of 7 Camps; all 115 Langars have reported at the Camps and about 100 have already been installed. It was also reported that sanitation arrangements and Jt. Police Control Rooms are in place and the Fire Fighting units are reporting at the Camps. Shrine Board's prefabricated huts, 176 in all, have been erected and Shelter Sheds are in the process of being put up. Over 8500 Pithoos, Dandiwallahs and Ponywallahs, out of a total of 32,000 had been registered by 29th June.

Chairman has directed CEO to monitor progress in respect of each pending item of work on 1st July and a final review would be done tomorrow evening.

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