

## **ADC B'la launches Measles-Rubella Vaccination campaign** *About 329395 children to be vaccinated during the campaign*

Baramulla 24, September: With an aim to eliminate measles and control of Congenital Rubella Syndrome (CRS) in the district, Additional Deputy Commissioner Baramulla Farooq Ahmad Baba today launched Measles-Rubella vaccination campaign at Government Girls Middle School Khawaja Bagh Baramulla where the students of the respective school were vaccinated by the health workers.

CMO, CEO, Deputy CMO, BMO Sheeri and many senior functionaries from health department were present on the occasion.

On the occasion, Deputy CMO Dr Jozy Bashir informed that about 329395 children aged between 9 months and 15 years shall be vaccinated during the campaign. He also informed that 365620 vaccinations are required involving 885 health workers who shall vaccinate the children in different schools and ICDS centers.

Speaking on the occasion, the ADC impressed upon the concerned to work in close coordination for the overall success of the campaign. He said that no children should remain unvaccinated besides the inclusion of children in remote and far flung areas of the district.

Pertinently MR, measles was a highly infectious disease caused by a virus and an estimated nearly 49,000 children die from measles its related complications annually, making it one of the leading causes of child deaths in India.