

Director Social Welfare Kashmir visits Baramulla, reviews functioning of the department

Baramulla, 21 July: Director Social Welfare Kashmir Mohammad Qasim today paid visit to Baramulla where he took review of the functioning of Social Welfare department besides taking stock of the implementation of various welfare schemes and programmes.

District Information Officer Baramulla Choudary Mudasir Hussain, Assistant Director Azeeta Sehar Qaurishi, Tehsil Social Welfare Officers, Social Workers and various other concerned officers and Officials were present on the occasion.

On the occasion, District Social Welfare Officer Showket Ahmad Showket briefed the director about the status of various programmes and schemes besides giving a thorough account of its progress. He informed the director that under Integrated Social Security Scheme (ISSS) Rs 1283.04 crore have been distributed among 33142 beneficiaries under different components of the scheme viz Old age pension scheme, Widow pension Scheme and Physically Challenged Persons scheme.

"Under National Social Assistance Programme (NSAP), Rs 17.04 lakh among 889 beneficiaries and Rs 2.40 lakh among 148 beneficiaries have been distributed in Indra Gandhi National Widow Pension Scheme (IGNWPS) and Indra Gandhi National Disability Pension Scheme (IGNDPS) components respectively", DSWO said. He also said that under State Marriage Assistance Scheme, Rs 152.00 lakh among 400 beneficiaries have been distributed in the current fiscal.

Meanwhile, the director complemented the concerned for their satisfactory work and stressed for the inclusion of more and more destitute and poor within the ambit of these welfare programmes. He said that government has launched several welfare programmes for uplifting the downtrodden section of the society. Moreover he exhorted upon awareness dissemination among masses and directs the concerned to conduct awareness camps at various levels so that the base of these welfare schemes gets widened.