

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA UNION TERRITORY OF LADAKH COOPERATIVE DEPARTMENT



OFFICIAL REPORT

Massive Plantation Drive as Part of the "Ek Pedh Maa Ke Naam" Campaign

(Commemorating the International Year of Cooperatives, 2025)

1. Location: Chushot, Leh, UT, Ladakh

The Department of Cooperatives, LAHDC-Leh, UT Ladakh, in collaboration with the Naljorling Society and Live Buddha International Association, organized a mass plantation campaign in Chushot *with the theme "Ek Pedh Maa Ke Naam"* as part of the celebration of the "International Year of Cooperatives, 2025". The campaign was formally inaugurated by **Shri Bhupesh Chaudhary, IAS**, Administrative Secretary, Cooperative Department, UT Ladakh, who was also the event's Chief Guest.

The Chief Guest, other officials from the Cooperative Department, office bearers of the Naljorling Society, and residents of Chushot officially launched the plantation drive at the beginning of the program. During the campaign, approximately **1,000 willow saplings** were planted by the members of the society and volunteers from the Live Buddha International Association.

Speaking on the occasion, Shri Bhupesh Chaudhary appreciated the initiatives of Naljorling Society under the leadership of President Miss Diskit Dolma and Vice President Shri Punchok Angchok. He thanked attendees and emphasized the significance of tree planting as an essential part of the celebrations for the 2025 International Year of Cooperatives in UT Ladakh. He advised the Deputy Registrar, Cooperative Department, Leh, to document the society's various initiatives and noble activities in consultation with its stakeholders to ensure their visibility on both national and international platforms. He also assured the Departments under his command of their complete support. According to Shri. Punchok Angchok, Vice President of the Society, Naljorling Society has approximately 700 members who work under Chokyong Palga Rinpoche's spiritual guidance. He emphasized the Society's tireless efforts in humanitarian aid, spiritual outreach, and environmental protection. The Society's President, Miss Diskit Dolma, thanked the Cooperative Department officials and the Secretary for their assistance. She also sought continued assistance for the

developmental activities of the society and shared their ambitious target of planting 1 lakh saplings in a phased manner.

Dr. Mohd Abass, Deputy Registrar of the Cooperative Department Leh, greeted the Chief Guest, officials from the Cooperative Department and Bami Dunya Consumer Cooperative Society in Leh, participants, volunteers from the Live Buddha International Association, and other volunteers. He reiterated that the event was one among several activities scheduled under the Cooperative Department's calendar for the International Year of Cooperatives, 2025, launched under the theme 'Ek Pedh Maa Ke Naam' initiated by the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India on 5th June, 2024.

The event concluded with a vote of thanks delivered by Shri Rigzin Angchok, Inspector, Cooperative Department, Leh, acknowledging the presence and contributions of the Chief Guest, dignitaries, departmental officials, and participating members.

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2. Location: Office Premises of the Cooperative Department, District Kargil, UT Ladakh

As part of the celebration of the International Year of Cooperatives 2025, the Cooperative Department, District Kargil, Union Territory of Ladakh, organized a tree plantation drive under the nationwide campaign '**Ek Pedh Maa Ke Naam**'. The event was held in the fourth week of April 2025, at all block-level office premises and the DRC Office of the department in district Kargil. The campaign was conducted in line with the broader objectives of environmental conservation and community participation promoted under the national initiative launched by the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India on June 5, 2024.

The plantation drive witnessed active participation from officers, departmental staffs, members of various societies and other local stakeholders, creating a strong sense of ownership and responsibility toward environmental sustainability. During the event, more than **200 saplings**, including willow and evergreen species, were successfully planted around the premises of the Cooperative Department as well as cooperative societies. The drive not only contributed to the improvement of the green cover around official infrastructure but also helped participants develop a culture of ecological consciousness. The campaign's deep emotional resonance, in which it encouraged participants to dedicate each sapling in memory or honour of their mother, was one of its most notable features. "Ek Pedh Maa Ke Naam," a one-of-a-kind theme, contributed to the promotion of environmental awareness while also promoting cultural values. It became a symbol of gratitude and reverence, tying personal sentiment to public responsibility.

The event served as a successful demonstration of how government departments can lead by example in implementing sustainable and community-driven environmental practices. It also reflected the Cooperative Department's ongoing commitment to creating eco-friendly workspace and building awareness on the importance of tree plantation and ecological balance.

In order to inspire other departments and community organizations to adopt similar environmental stewardship models, the department intends to continue such initiatives throughout the International Year of Cooperatives 2025. The tree plantation drive in Kargil stands as a testament to Ladakh's dedication to national missions and its proactive role in safeguarding the environment for future generations.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "S. P. Singh".

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