



Jehlum Post News|Srinagar| June 2, 2014| K. Rajendra Kumar, Monday took over as Director General of Police (DGP), Jammu and Kashmir. He succeeds Ashok Prasad, who has been repatriated to Intelligence Bureau (IB) Government of India. Rajendra, a 1984 batch IPS officer, was posted as Special DGP (Coordination) at Police Headquarters (PHQ) and has also served as Incharge DGP in 2012 for some time. He has also served in the State in different capacities including ADGP Armed/Law & Order, ADGP CID, DG Prisons, IGP Kashmir and Jammu Zone, IGP CID, DIG Srinagar, Doda and Poonch Rajouri, SSP District Srinagar, Doda and SDPO Reasi. After assuming the charge, Rajendra presided over a meeting of senior officers at PHQ. He deliberated upon his priorities as DGP saying that his focus would be to strengthen the professional policing and provide better service

to the public. He said that our aim would be to curb the menace of crime for which public cooperation is of vital importance. Better police public relations would help to achieve desired results, he added. Mr Rajendra said that he is proud to lead a police force which by the dint of its dedication and commitment has earned outstanding reputation at the National level. The force played a sterling role by being in the forefront in fighting terrorism and brought it down to the lowest ebb. The DGP stressed for collective efforts to enhance coordination among all wings of the Organization and other security agencies. Preventive measures and peoples cooperation would help to deliver in a better way. People of the State have lot of expectations from JKP and it is our prime duty to take cognizance of their complaints and ensure quick disposal, he added. DGP said that latest techniques in the field of investigation are necessary to strengthen our policing and for this purpose police training institutions across the State would be upgraded to teach the latest methods of investigation. Modernization of JKP is underway and special thrust would be given to upgrade all components of the Organization. Jammu and Kashmir Police has become a large family and the scope of service has been enlarging. Our jawans and officers are visible in public service at every nook and corner of the

State. The force has met with various challenges with courage and fortitude and would be ready to tackle the situations at any time in a befitting manner, DGP added. Maintenance of law and order is our prime duty to ensure congenial atmosphere for all developmental activities in the State. Police public cooperation at grass root level is imperative to achieve our goal and effective measures would be adopted to strengthen our relations with the common people. He reiterated that while performing their duties in hostile conditions, it should be ensured at all costs that innocent people are not made to suffer any inconvenience and special care should be taken for human rights respect, ensuring zero tolerance towards violation of human rights. He stressed upon the officers to start preparedness for ensuing Shri Amar Nath Ji Yatra so that the yatra ends peacefully. Rajendra said that during the years of turmoil people of the State suffered a lot in all fields of life. A number of our jawans and officers offered sacrifices of their lives while protecting the people and their properties. Sacrifices of our men would always be remembered and we feel it our highest responsibility to take care of the families of martyrs, said the DGP. He said that more welfare schemes would be introduced to benefit the serving personnel and the families of martyrs.

The DGP said that Civic Action Programme, which has been started with the aim of providing a bridge between the people and police, besides promoting different sports and cultural activities in the State, would be expanded to all areas of the State at a large scale. This would help to strengthen police public cooperation at all levels and utilize energies of the youth in a positive way. Earlier, before starting the meeting, a two minute silence was observed in honour of martyrs of Jammu and Kashmir Police, who attained martyrdom while protecting the people during the turmoil. Among others, the meeting was attended by ADsGP, Dr. SP Vaid, Navin Agarwal, VK Singh, SM Sahai and Dilbag Singh, IsGP, Dr. B Srinivas, AK Choudhary, H. K. Lohia, SJM Geelani, AG Mir, MS Salaria, Yoginder Koul, Alok Puri, MA Khan, AS Bali and SL Sharma, MA Ganai and JP Singh, DIsGP, Vijay Kumar, AK Atri, Johny William, SA Mujataba, MM Sadiq, SA Beig, Ali Mohammad, GH Bhat, S Kifayat Hyder, AlsGP, Uttam Chand, AA Kakroo, Tahir Sajad, Rajeshwar Singh and M Rashid and other police officers.