Governor paid a surprise visit to the Police Check Gate

The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh Shri JP Rajkhowa, who is on the way to Mumbai via Guwahati by road for an official tour, paid a surprise visit to the Police Check Gate, Hollongi on 1st May 2016.

The Governor, who was very impressed by the cleanliness around the Check Gate, which is maintained by the Police Personnel, was unhappy on the facilities and infrastructure. It was found that the checkpoint and reporting counter for checking ILP of visitors entering Arunachal Pradesh and also recording data of all incoming and outgoing vehicles, are in shabby state temporary structures. The barrack for the security personnel is in pathetic condition with cracks in the walls and rusted and perforated and half damaged tin roofing, which is likely to be easily blown away by cyclones and damaged by heavy rain and hailstones.

It was also noted that there is a shortage in strength of security personnel as one Sub Inspector, an Assistant Sub Inspector have been monitoring the post and keeping vigil 24 hours a day with 14 security personnel which includes 9 APP constables and 5 IRBn Jawans. For exercising 24 hours vigilance round the clock, the Governor felt that 2 to 3 Sub Inspectors and 2 Assistant Sub Inspectors need to be posted.

There is no vehicle in running condition at the Post as the only one gypsy with registration no. AR-01B-6471, which has already covered more than 1 lakh, reported is out of order. The vehicle needs to be replaced immediately for efficient and effective functioning of the check gate personnel in case of any emergency situation and that would be chasing out a vehicle crossing the gate giving false information of registration, vehicle and entry pass. Similarly at least one motor cycle should also be provided as presently it’s not there.

The Governor also advised that the transmission tower needs to be maintained properly by immediate painting as some portion has become rusted. It was found that out of the four cameras installed one close range camera was found defective.

The Governor, who went through the Innerline Permit (ILP) entry book, found that there is no sample ILP or signature of authorised officers like Deputy Resident Commissioner (DRC) and Assistant Resident Commissioner (ARC) etc. for crosschecking fake ILP. He also said that there is immediate need to provide high powered under view mirror for strengthening anti sabotage check.

Although, Hollongi Check Gate is one of the most frequent and one of the main entry points to the State, particularly for those coming to State Capital, there is no ILP issuing authority or office at Hollongi gate, like that in Banderdewa. It is devoid of
toilets or washroom for visitors and tourists. The Governor felt that immediately washroom facility should be built up with provision of drinking and not waiting till launching of integrated check gate (ICG) proposal. He noted that the toilet used by the constables in the barracks is in devastated condition with cracks in the walls, no running water supply and also the old Indian style fittings in the toilets. He advised them to replace it with western style fittings to make it more convenient for old age people.

There is no security fencing or wall around the compound except a small portion towards the eastern side. The Governor felt that proper security fencing around the check post covering the land space of the Government should be done on priority so that there is no attempt to encroach.

The Governor hopes that the Chief Minister and State Home Minister, would issue necessary directions to the concerned authorities for plugging the loopholes and updating the Check Post by rectifying the deficiencies and also by providing facilities of hygienic washrooms with toilets and running water for tourist and visitors.

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