

Press Release from State Institute of Rural Development & Panchayati Raj, Karfectar
Foundation Training for State Civil Service and Sikkim Finance and Accounts Service Probationers (Batch 2025–26) Inaugurated at SIRD&PR, Jorethang

Jorethang, Sikkim | The State Institute of Rural Development & Panchayati Raj (SIRD&PR), an Autonomous Institute of the Government of Sikkim, located at Karfectar, Jorethang, inaugurated the Foundation Training Programme for State Civil Service and Sikkim Finance and Accounts Service Probationers (Batch 2025–26). The programme is sponsored by the Administrative Training Institute (ATI), Department of Personnel, Government of Sikkim.

The inaugural session commenced with the arrival and registration of the probationers, followed by a warm welcome to Shri Madan Cintury, Hon'ble Area MLA, Zoom-Salghari, and Advisor, Transport and Skill Development Department, Government of Sikkim. The occasion also featured the opening of a dedicated selfie booth for the training programme, marking the beginning of the probationers' learning journey.

The programme continued with a welcome address and the introduction of participants, followed by a promotional video highlighting the activities, initiatives and institutional mandate of SIRD&PR, Sikkim.

Shri Chandra B. Manger, Senior Faculty, SIRD&PR, and Course Director, delivered the course orientation, outlining the training schedule, objectives and key components of the programme. The probationers also shared their expectations and learning aspirations, expressing their commitment to strengthening their knowledge, professional competencies and understanding of public administration.

Addressing the gathering, Shri Bishal Mukhia, SCS, Special Secretary-cum-Director, SIRD&PR, underscored the importance of structured foundation training in preparing officers for their responsibilities in public administration. He emphasised the values of professional integrity, dedication, accountability and a citizen-centric approach to governance, highlighting the need for officers to discharge their duties with sincerity and commitment.

The keynote address was delivered by Shri Madan Cintury, Hon'ble Area MLA, Zoom-Salghari, and Advisor, Transport and Skill Development Department, Government of Sikkim. He encouraged the probationers to uphold the principles of public service, remain committed to the welfare of the people and perform their official responsibilities with sincerity, discipline and a strong sense of accountability towards the State and its citizens.

The inaugural session concluded with a vote of thanks proposed by Smt. Chandra Kala Rai, Additional Director, SIRD&PR, who expressed her gratitude to the distinguished guest, senior officials, faculty members and probationers for their presence and participation. The programme was compered by Shri Deepak Rai, Training Manager, SIRD&PR.

The Foundation Training Programme aims to equip the probationers with the requisite administrative knowledge, professional skills, ethical values and practical understanding essential for effective public service delivery. Through structured learning and institutional engagement, the programme seeks to strengthen their capacity to contribute to transparent administration, accountable governance and the sustainable development of Sikkim.

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