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Press Note

Governor takes salute at ceremonial parade on State Foundation Day

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Governor Dr.K.K.Paul today took the salute at the ceremonial parade held at police lines on the occasion of the state foundation day.

He honoured police officers and staff with President's Police medals and police medals. the Governor and chief minister Trivendra Singh Rawat released the journal of Uttarakhand Police on the occasion.

The Governor congratulated the police for the disciplined and impressive parade . "Peace and order are the top priorities of any government. A state's development depends on its law and order situation. In maintaining this, all police personnel of the state play an important role," he said .He paid homage to all the known and unknown activists and martyrs of the Uttarakhand movement.He congratulated the people of the state on the occasion.

He said he was confident that the police in the state will keep making efforts to maintain law and order to foster development and progress ."Investors will feel safe and this will lead to more investment and progress.Our economy is based on tourism.Tourists also visit states which have peace and security.

Uttarakhand, compared to other states, has a low crime rate and its people are simple and peace-loving." He said the state has performed well in the seventeen years and despite natural calamities, the state has been able to create a special identity for itself.

"We have achieved a lot despite many challenges .We must ensure that the GDP growth benefits the poor, the farmers and the underprivileged.

The gap between cities and villages , between industry and agriculture needs to be bridged". He said the state government has taken many steps to do that and more more efforts were required to strengthen the hill villages economically.

The Governor said Uttarakhand had actively participated in Prime Minister Narendra Modi's initiatives - Make in India, Digital India ,Swachh Bharat mission and Namami Gange. "I am sure that by 2019, there will be hundred per cent literacy in the state and by 2022, our state will be leading in achieving the objective of farmers' incomes being doubled ", he said..

Uttarakhand is known as Devbhumi in the entire country and the world . Without its participation, the Namami Gange project could not have been a success . Uttarakhand is playing an important role in the Swachh Bharat mission .The entire rural area of the state has been made Open Defecation Free .The initiatives of Swachh Bharat in the state have been described as best practices by the central government .By 2018, we aim to make urban areas also ODF.

We need to provide basic facilities in remote areas of the state to check migration from there. Tele Medicine and Tele-Radiology will be made available for remote areas and we will focus on minimizing the maternal mortality rate .

He said a separate department for Skill Development and employment generation has been constituted in our state which aims at ensuring skill development of 40,000 youth in the next three years. Idea hubs are being set up in the state .More efforts are, however, needed in developing the skills of rural youth and women, especially in the hill districts.E-Governance and E-District services are available and the public distribution system is also computerized.He stressed the importance of Value-based education of a high standard that can bring about positive changes in society .Practical knowledge should also be imparted and skill development is very important too.

"In universities, original research must be encouraged for the creation of knowledge.I call on the youth of the state to participate in Swachh Bharat mission,Digital India and Make in India campaigns ." "I am proud to say that alongwith being Devbhumi, Uttarakhand is also Virbhumi and the brave soldiers from Uttarakhand have always been in the forefront in defending the country .We are proud of them. We have created a wall of heroes in every university so that youngsters are inspired by them."

He said the government of India has taken many measures to create a strong foundation for Uttarakhand. It is a reason for happiness that work on the Char Dham All weather road has accelerated after its foundation was laid by the prime minister ,and work is also starting on the Rishikesh-Karnprayag rail project.

The Char Dham Rail link plan will be helpful to the pilgrims and tourists besides the local people. It is our good fortune that the honourable president Shri Ram Nath Kovind and prime minister Narendra Modi came to Uttarakhand to seek the blessings of Shri Kedarnath and Shri Badrinath .This has given a message of a safe Uttarakhand to the world and also boosted the morale of officials and staff associated with Char Dham yatra. This is why this year, there was a record arrival of pilgrims at Char Dhams and Hemkund Sahib.

He said that if we all resolve to do our best, we can surely attain the Uttarakhand of which the martyrs and activists had dreamt.Every citizens aspirations will then be fulfilled and basic facilities will be available to all.

The Governor honoured IG (retd) Goplanath Goswami , Deuty superintendent (retd) Jagdish Chandra Arya, Deputy superintendent Heera Singh Rauthan and Deputy superintendent (Retd) R.C.Joshi with president's police medal and he honoured with police medals Vijay Singh Karki (Superintendent-retd) , DSP (retd) P.S.Pangtey, DSP (Retd) R.S.Hayanki, Ishwari Lal Tamta(retd) ,Driver Jeet Singh ,Ganesh Ram, Bachan Singh Rana, Ganesh Prasad Baunthiyal, Keshi Prasad, Girija Shanker Pandey, Hiramani Dhyani, Upendra Dutt ,Chandra Dutt Joshi, Har Raj Singh, Devendra Singh Rawat, Bhupal Singh Rawat, Keshav Ram Tamta ,Narayan Dutt and Devendra Lal.

Chief Minister Trivendra Singh Rawat congratulated the people of the state on the state foundation day and said that the state was created after many sacrifices .He said the state government was keen to ensure the progress of the state according to the dreams of the activists.He said efforts were being made to reach the benefits of development to the remote areas.

SSP Nivedita Kukreti commanded the parade .The second in command was Lokeshwar Kumar (Superintendent) .parade Adjutant was Abhay Singh (Deputy Superintendent).

Present on the occasion were agriculture minister Subodh Uniyal, sports minister Arvind pandey, higher education minister Dhan Singh Rawat, women welfare minister Rekha Arya,MP Mala Rajya Laxmi Shah, Mayor Vinod Chamoli, MLAs , chief secretary ,DG Police and several other eminent persons.

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