State Level Conference of Principal Census Officers & Senior Officers for Phase-II (Population Enumeration) of Census 2027.

Venue: Meghalaya State Guest House, Taraghar, Shillong **Date: 29th October 2026**

State Level Conference of Principal Census Officers & Senior Officers for Phase-II (Population Enumeration) of Census 2027 was held on the 29th October 2026 at the State Guest House, Taraghar, Meghalaya, Shillong for the Principal Census Officers (Deputy Commissioners), the District Census Officers, members of the State Level Census Coordination Committee (SLCCC) and other officers of the state government of Meghalaya.

Dr. Shakil P. Ahammed, IAS, Chief Secretary, Meghalaya chaired the conference. The State Level Training Conference was also attended by Dr. Pooja Pandey, IAS, State Nodal Officer for Census, Smti. Vrushali Abhijit Warade, Deputy Registrar General, Office of the Registrar General & Census Commissioner, India, Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India and other senior officers from the state government and the Directorate of Census Operations Meghalaya, Ministry of Home Affairs.

In his address, Dr. Shakil P. Ahammed, IAS, Chief Secretary, Meghalaya, highlighted the importance of the census for planning of various welfare schemes of the government. He urged officers present to take steps to publicize the census and its importance so that the general public will be sensitized and will come forward to participate in the census.

Dr. Pooja Pandey, IAS, State Nodal Officer for Census highlighted the usage of technology in this digital census and that it will facilitate for easier compilation of data, besides making data more accurate and secure. The State Nodal Officer also urged the officers to leverage the local grassroot administration in making announcements to make the public aware of the census.

Smti. Vrushali Abhijit Warade, Deputy Registrar General, Office of the Registrar General & Census Commissioner, India, Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India gave a detailed presentation about the various aspect of census highlighting that the Census of India is the largest administrative exercise in the world. Financial and technical assistance will be provided by the Central Government to the state for carrying out this operation. The Deputy Registrar General dwelt at length on the various questions and concepts related to the census questionnaire.

Further detailed presentations were given by Shri. S. Chatterjee, Joint Director, Shri. B. Basumatary, Deputy Director, Shri. Aibor Sanglyne, Deputy Director and Shri Donbok Syiemsadd from the Directorate of Census Operations Meghalaya.

Shri. Aibor Sanglyne, Deputy Director from the Directorate of Census Operations, Meghalaya thanked all the participants in the concluding session and urged all district level officers to take pro-active steps to ensure maximum coverage in the ensuing census.











