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लेह/Leh, Dated: 26 . 11.2026

NOTIFICATION

Ladakh, the 26th of November, 2026.

S.O. 307. —In exercise of the powers conferred by clause (u) of sub-section (1) of Section 2 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (Act No. 46 of 2023), read with S.O. 2506 (E) dated: 28.06.2024 issued by the Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India and in compliance with the directions issued by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in its judgment dated 29.05.2026 in ***Prajwala v. Union of India & Ors.*** [M.A. No. 530 of 2022 in W.P. (C) No. 56 of 2004; 2026 INSC 609], the Administration of Union territory of Ladakh hereby declares the Anti-Human Trafficking Units (AHTUs) constituted by the Police Headquarters, Union territory of Ladakh, vide Order No. PHQ/UTL/Legal/507 dated 19.10.2026, and Office of the Superintendent of Police Sankoo, vide Order dated 23.11.2026, as **Police Stations**, as specified in the Schedule below:

SCHEDULE

Sr.No.	Name of the Police Station	Headquarters / Location	Territorial Jurisdiction	Offences Cognizable & Investigable
1.	**Anti-Human Trafficking Unit (AHTU) Police Station, Leh**	District Police Office / Headquarters, Leh	Whole of District Leh	All offences relating to the crime of human trafficking under the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023, the Immoral Traffic (Prevention) Act, 1956, and other allied laws.
2.	**Anti-Human Trafficking Unit (AHTU) Police Station, Kargil**	District Police Office / Headquarters, Kargil	Whole of District Kargil	All offences relating to the crime of human trafficking under the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023, the Immoral

				Traffic (Prevention) Act, 1956, and other allied laws.
3.	**Anti-Human Trafficking Unit (AHTU) Police Station, Sham**	District Police Office / Headquarters, Sham.	Whole of District Sham	All offences relating to the crime of human trafficking under the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023, the Immoral Traffic (Prevention) Act, 1956, and other allied laws.
4.	**Anti-Human Trafficking Unit (AHTU) Police Station, Nubra**	District Police Office / Headquarters, Nubra	Whole of District Nubra	All offences relating to the crime of human trafficking under the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023, the Immoral Traffic (Prevention) Act, 1956, and other allied laws.
5.	**Anti-Human Trafficking Unit (AHTU) Police Station, Changthang**	District Police Office / Headquarters, Changthang	Whole of District Changthang	All offences relating to the crime of human trafficking under the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023, the Immoral Traffic (Prevention) Act, 1956, and other allied laws.
6.	**Anti-Human Trafficking Unit (AHTU) Police Station, Zanskar**	District Police Office / Headquarters, Zanskar	Whole of District Zanskar	All offences relating to the crime of human trafficking under the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023, the Immoral Traffic (Prevention) Act, 1956, and other allied laws.
7.	**Anti-Human Trafficking Unit (AHTU) Police Station, Drass**	District Police Office / Headquarters, Drass	Whole of District Drass	All offences relating to the crime of human trafficking under the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023, the Immoral Traffic (Prevention) Act, 1956, and other allied laws.
8.	**Anti-Human Trafficking Unit (AHTU) Police Station, Sankoo**	District Police Office / Headquarters, Sankoo	Whole of District Sankoo	All offences relating to the crime of human trafficking under the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023, the Immoral Traffic (Prevention) Act, 1956, and other allied laws.

2. The aforesaid Anti-Human Trafficking Unit (AHTU) Police Stations shall exercise exclusive jurisdiction to the exclusion of the existing territorial Police Stations in their respective districts for the registration and investigation of all cases relating to the crime of human trafficking. Any complaint or Zero FIR regarding human trafficking received at a territorial Police Station shall be immediately transferred to the concerned AHTU Police Station for registration and investigation.
3. This notification shall come into force with immediate effect from the date of its publication in the Official Gazette.

By Order of the Competent Authority.

Sd/-
(आशीषकुंद्रा, भप्रसे / Ashish Kundra, IAS)
मुख्यसचिव /Chief Secretary
प्रशासनिकसचिव/Administrative Secretary
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1. Director General of Police, UT of Ladakh.
2. All Administrative Secretary, UT of Ladakh.
3. Joint Secretary, Department of JKL Affairs, Ministry of Home Affairs.
4. Secretary to the Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor, UT of Ladakh.
5. Director Prosecution, UT of Ladakh.
6. Deputy Director, Forensic Science Laboratory, UT of Ladakh.
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10. OSD to the Administrative Secretary, Law & Justice Department, UT of Ladakh.

Copy also to the:

1. Registrar General, High Court of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh.
2. Principal District & Sessions Judge, Kargil and Leh.

26/11/25

(अनुपम भारद्वाज / Anupam Bhardwaj) JKAS,
अवर सचिव/ Under Secretary
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