

Press release

Sajad Lone, Minister for Social Welfare, Govt of J&K launches night Trauma Care Ambulance service in Baramulla and Bandipora districts in J&K

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CII Foundation handed over two well-equipped ambulances to the district administrations of Baramulla and Bandipora in J&K today. The Foundation, with support of Godrej & Boyce, initiated Trauma Care free night Ambulance services project to provide quality & timely emergency medical services to the people living in remote and inaccessible geographies in J&K.

The ambulances, equipped with semi-advanced life equipments, will be placed either at district or Block hospital and will be operationalized with the help of community. The ambulances will transport the patients from far away areas to the nearest hospitals and referral of complicated cases to well-equipped hospitals. A dedicated team of medical officer, community mobilizer and medical assistant in the ambulance will provide necessary medical support to the patients. The ambulances will Transport commissioner and RTO have given approval for operation of ambulance. The project, implemented by HN Wanchoo Trust, will be reaching out to over 300 households in the next five years.

Post the J&K floods in 2014, CII provided immediate relief by distributing much needed relief material to the disaster affected people. From there on, CII Foundation (CIIF), a trust set up by CII, expanded the work to include long-term rehabilitation efforts. CIIF undertook various on-ground projects to provide livelihood support, facilitate construction of household toilets, ensure medical preparedness and enable computer education for students in Baramulla and Biandipora districts of J&K. Various CIIF initiatives in J&K have reached out to over 5100 beneficiaries across 40 villages.

As culmination of Trauma Care Night Ambulance services project, a program was organized in Srinagar where Sajad Lone, Minister for Social Welfare, Government of J&K launched the ambulance service. Mr Sajad appreciated CII Foundation and Godrej & Boyce for this social initiative for the people affected by disaster. He further

added that more such kind of initiatives and support are required for other districts of J&K. Among others who attended the completion and handing over ceremony included Rahul Sahai, Chairman CII J&K State Council; Mr Sajad Hussain Ganie, Deputy Commissioner, Bandipora; Mr Bashir Ahmad Khan, Additional Deputy Commissioner, Baramulla; Mr Iqbal LoneI, Commissioner, CPWD, Government of J&K; and Mr Saddam Zaroo, Vice Chairman CII J&K State Council