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'MP is a role model'

Central team reviews Panchayati Raj in State



Chief Secretary Avni Vaish addressing a meeting held to review Panchayati Raj condition in the State on Wednesday.

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"We have found more than what we had expected and the next time, we would take Madhya Pradesh to present it as a role model for the country". This was stated by the Central Government ministry of panchayati raj secretary A N P Sinha in a meeting held on Wednesday, appreciating the empowerment of Panchyati Raj, especially Gram Sabhas, in the State.

A seven-member team of the Central Government had come to review Panchayat Upbandh Adhiniyam 1996 in the State. The team also attended a Gram Sabha held at Sehore district.

The team reviewed the decisions

taken by 14 departments to empower Panchayats in the State.

Sinha said that significant efforts in a well-planned way have been made in the State to empower Panchayats. He said that the Panchayat Act 1996 has been implemented well in the State.

Chief secretary Avni Vaish said that to develop most backward areas of the State is the topmost priority of the State Government and that is why, Panchayat Raj, especially Gram Sabhas, have been empowered.

Additional chief secretary panchayat and rural development R Parashuram and panchayat and rural development secretary Ajay Tirki also addressed the meeting.