

COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRE KHALTSE, DISTRICT LEH

Khaltse or Khalsi is the head-quarter of eponymous Subdivision, block and tehsil in the Leh district of Jammu and Kashmir. It is located 337 km from Srinagar on the old main road to Leh, where it crossed the Indus over an iron bridge. Much of its importance is because it is the place where the road from Kashmir debouches into the Indus Valley. It is situated at almost 9,800 Ft. above the sea level and have scattered population of around 19000 (Census 2011).

CHC Khaltse became the first Prize winner in Kayakalp 2018-19 from Jammu and Kashmir. The most important reason for its success is its commitment to purpose under the leadership of Dr Motup Dorje, Chief Medical Officer, Leh and Dr Iqbal Ahmed Incharge Block Medical Medical Officer. The motivation of CMO and BMO to pursue the dream inspired their staff to achieve this success. They developed a team of doctors, nurses, paramedic and other staff, who buy into this vision that they must provide high quality care to all, irrespective of challenges of difficult terrain, high altitude and minimal resources. Staff of this hospital itself took the lead to transform the hospital.



Figure 1: Staff itself involved in cleaning activities



Figure 2: Staff involved in whitewashing of the facility