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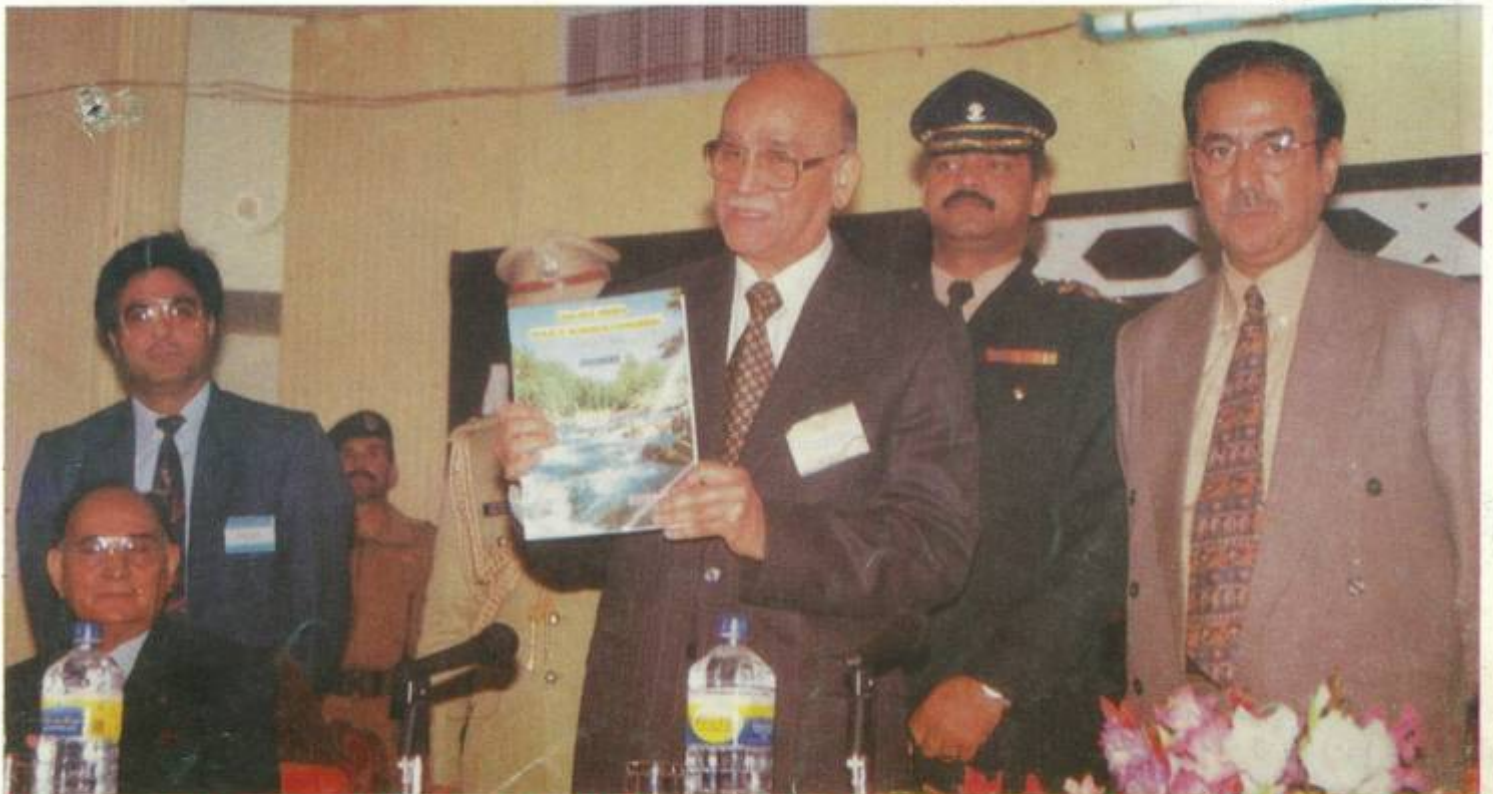
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### XXXI ALL INDIA POLICE SCIENCE CONGRESS – LAST POLICE SCIENCE CONGRESS OF THE MILLENNIUM

All India Police Science Congress, hosted by Jammu and Kashmir Police, was held at Jammu from Dec. 01 to 03, 1999. The Congress was inaugurated by H.E. the Governor of J&K, Shri G. C. Saxena, on Dec. 01, 1999. Addressing a galaxy of ministers, Police luminaries, retired and serving, top security officers, bureaucrats, eminent scholars, scientists, sociologists, academicians and senior citizens, H. E. called for complete reviews of the police system so as

to equip the police force to meet challenges in the 21st century. H.E. the Governor said that politicisation of police has adverse impact on the image and performance of police which is expected to act in fair, lawful and non-partisan manner. The politicisation and nexus can be broken if top political leadership, cutting across the party lines, and the senior civil servants and police officers display their will and commitment to reverse these trends, he added. He cautioned the police against the threat posed by Cyber crimes, Cyber terrorism and electronic warfare which can only be combated successfully by keeping the



*Souvenir of XXXI All India Police Science Congress being released by Shri G. C. Saxena, H. E. the Governor of Jammu & Kashmir at the inaugural function of XXXI Police Science Congress, 99*



*Delegates and Participants posing with H.E. the Governor of J& K after the inaugural function on December 01, 1999*

police force abreast with computer technology and through better co-ordination within the country as well as effective international co-operation. H. E. the Governor, stressed on the need to improve the image and standing of Police through their behaviour and fair and honest discharge of duty to earn the good will, respect and co-operation from the people. He also expressed the need to improve the procedure and mechanism of recruitment and training, enhancing the mobility, upgrading the intelligence network and modernisation besides strengthening the manpower.

H. E. the Governor released the Souvenir of XXXI All India Police Science congress and also the Special issue of J&K Police News letter at the said function.

Shri A. A. Ali, IPS (Retd), former Director, SVP National Police Academy Hyderabad, and special Secretary, Ministry of Home Affairs delivered the key-note address on the main theme of this congress. He enumerated the historical perspective of Indian Police while reviewing the police system in terms of reforms. He hoped that the public interest in Police reforms would grow in the country by dissemination of information about the ideas thrown up in Police Congresses and seminars. He hoped that a statesman would take up police reforms as his cause and smoothen the path of reforms.

Earlier, the Director General of Police, J&K Shri Gurbachan Jagat, welcomed the Governor, delegates from other states and the guests. Former DGP Punjab, Shri K.P.S. Gill, Director IB, Shri Shyamal Datta and DG, Bureau of

Police Research & Development, Shri B. B. Nanda, were also present.

The congress transacted its business through 5 sessions and 18 formal papers on the following broad subjects of topical interest to the police force in the country:-

- ❖ Police reforms to meet the challenges in the 21st century;
- ❖ Police organisation and administration;
- ❖ Police Community relation;
- ❖ Criminology, Criminal Law & Victimology; and
- ❖ Application of science and technology in police work.

The Congress concluded on Dec. 03, and after detailed deliberations various conclusions reached include :-

- Computer net-working for the police force and standardisation of training curriculum.
- Insulating the police force from political, bureaucratic and extraneous interference and giving operational independence to police.
- Fixed tenure of police chiefs, sound principals for transfers and postings and setting up of state security commission as a statutory body.
- Making police force more professional in terms of investigation skills and privatisation of some of the function of the police.

- Augmentation of police training under the scheme of UNDP and DFID.
- Redefining the role of police by repealing police act of 1861.
- Pro-active policing and need for human approach to policing by giving adequate emphasis on attitudinal change.
- Judicial reforms and measures to be evolved for speedy disposal of cases in courts.
- Increase in the strength of well trained investigating officers exclusively for investigation of cases and functional division of work at the gross root level between the investigating and law and order staff.
- Adoption of innovative approach to streamline the grievance redressal mechanism for speedy disposal of public complaints against the police.
- Restructuring of police at the police station and district level.
- Police chiefs to have exclusive powers of transfers / postings of officers irrespective of their ranks.
- Enacting of central legislation for providing compensation to the victims of crime.
- Need to sensitise the functionaries of criminal justice system to check the declining rate of conviction and to

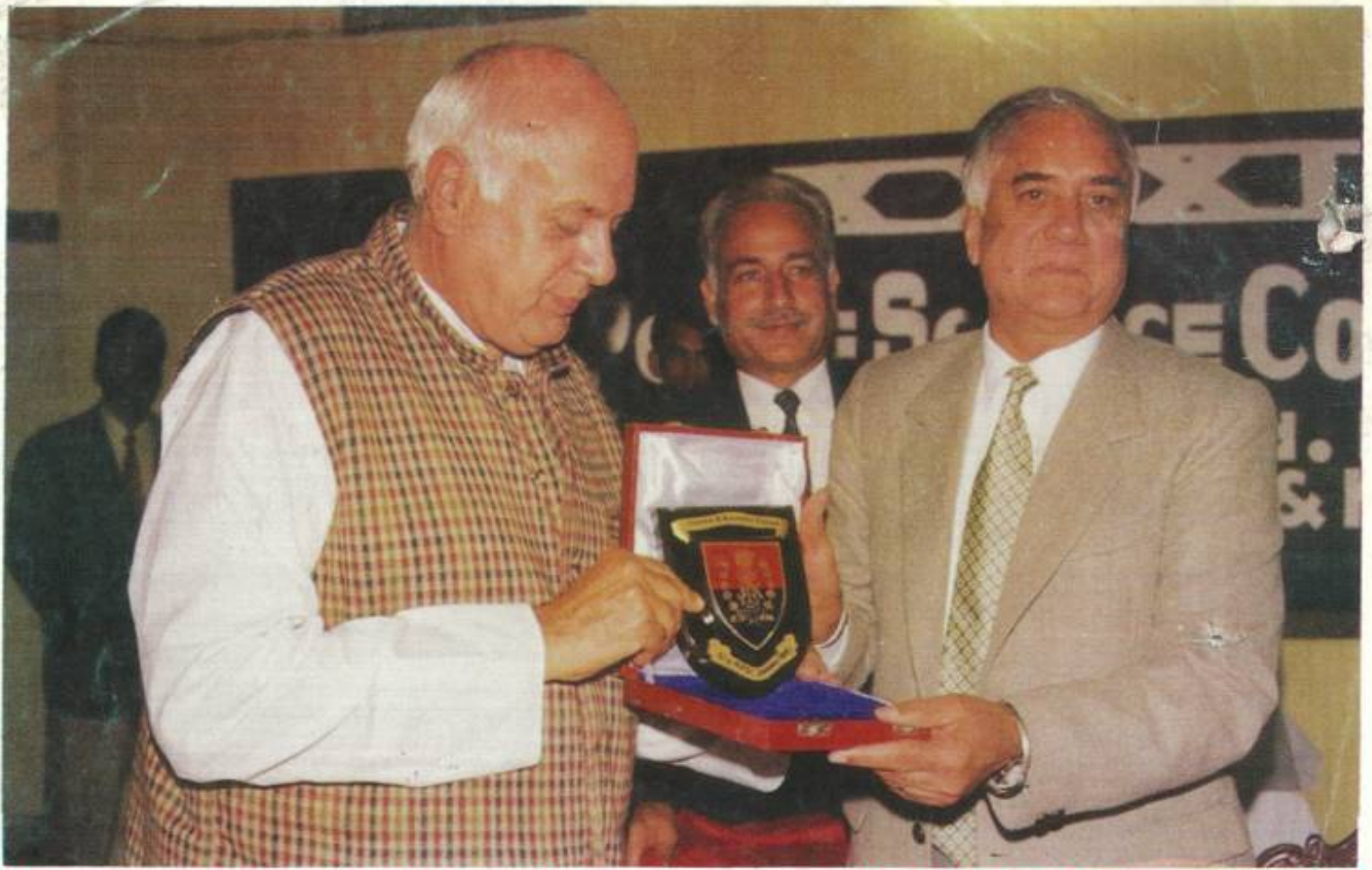
educate the people about the rights of victim.

- Establishment of *lok-adalats* for speedy disposal of cases and need to sensitise the police to eliminate avoidable arrest and to increase the statutory provision of fine.
- To devise effective mechanism for maintaining close co-operation and co-ordination between the police and prosecution agencies.
- Adoption of community policing as an effective strategy on the lines of Japan and Singapore.
- Financial autonomy to police Chiefs to implement such expenditure as budgeted by the parliament / legislature.
- Provision of strong based forensic science; opening new forensic laboratories and upgrading the existing ones.

Dr. Farooq Abdullah, Chief Minister of J&K, distributed mementoes among the delegates and organisers at the concluding function on Dec. 03. In his valedictory address, he stressed the need to respect the human rights of the citizens and maintained that police should win over people by love and not by force. Talking about reforms in police force, he stressed on efficiency and courage and eradication of malpractice's and corruption. He lauded the efforts of J&K Police under the leadership of Shri Gurbachan Jagat, DGP, in fighting the menace of terrorism with firm resolve and determination.



Participants of the inaugural function of XXXI All India Police Science Congress, Jammu, held in the Auditorium of Jammu University on December 01, 1999.



*Chief Minister, J&K, Dr. Farooq Abdullah, presenting memento to Sh. Gurbachan Jagat, DGP, J&K, at the concluding function of XXXI All India Police Science Congress, Jammu, on December 03, 1999.*



*Delegates and participants of XXXI All India Police Science Congress, Jammu, transacting business in the Conference Hall of Jammu University*