




JK Policy Institute

Advocating for Sustainability 

# Learning, Evaluation, Accountability, and Participation (**LEAP**)



## **INTRODUCTION:**

Project LEAP, initiated by the Jammu Kashmir Policy Institute (JKPI), is a comprehensive endeavour aimed at understanding and enhancing the governance and developmental landscape of Jammu and Kashmir (J&K). The acronym LEAP encapsulates its core objectives: Learning, Evaluation, Accountability, and Participation.

## **OBJECTIVES:**

**Learning:** To gain insights into government functioning, policy formulation, and project execution within the region.

**Evaluation:** To assess the effectiveness and efficiency of various government schemes and projects.

**Accountability:** To promote transparency and hold stakeholders accountable for their actions.

**Participation:** To engage the public in the policymaking process and ensure inclusivity in developmental initiatives.

## **APPROACH:**

LEAP operates through a multifaceted approach, utilizing both virtual and physical platforms to engage diverse stakeholders including government officials, policymakers, researchers, and subject matter experts. These sessions facilitate in-depth discussions to elucidate the intricacies of governance and policy implementation in J&K.

Central to LEAP's mission is the facilitation of dialogue, aiming to bridge the gap between policy formulation and ground-level realities. By fostering an environment conducive to open discourse, LEAP seeks to ensure that government

initiatives are aligned with the needs of the public.

Furthermore, LEAP emphasizes inclusivity by providing opportunities for public engagement. Through virtual and physical sessions, citizens can evaluate the impact of developmental initiatives on their daily lives and contribute to the policymaking process, thereby enhancing transparency and fostering a sense of ownership in the community.

### **RATIONALE:**

Project LEAP is founded on the belief that Jammu and Kashmir stands at a critical juncture in public policy formulation and implementation. With numerous interventions being introduced in recent times, LEAP aims to serve as a platform for knowledge dissemination and awareness-raising regarding these initiatives.

LEAP seeks to bring together stakeholders from various sectors onto a single platform to facilitate informed policy discussions and decision-making. By connecting academicians, students, industry representatives, and other key stakeholders with policymakers, LEAP aims to foster an inclusive, incremental, and informed approach to policy formulation and implementation in Jammu and Kashmir.

### **CONCLUSION:**

Project LEAP represents a concerted effort to enhance governance, promote accountability, and foster inclusive development in Jammu and Kashmir. Through its focus on learning, evaluation, accountability, and participation, LEAP endeavours to contribute to the realization of a more transparent, responsive, and citizen-centric governance framework in the region.