## **South Lhonak Lake mitigation expedition**

An eighteen member team comprising officials and experts from line departments like Science and Technology, Forest, Water Resources and River Development, Mines and Geology, Land Revenue and Disaster Management and team from SECMOL Ladhak, led by Dr. Sonam Wangchuk will start their 11 days, South Lhonak Lake mitigation expedition from 31<sup>st</sup> Aug.2016 onwards.



Fig: 18 members of expedition Team from Various Department

In a function organized at a local hotel here in the capital today where Commissioner cum Secretary, Department of Mines, Minerals & Geology Department Mr. D.P Sharma, Secretary cum PCE Water Resources and river Development Department Mr. R.B Thapa and State Relief Commissioner cum Secretary, LR& DMD Mr. Tsegyal Tashi joined the members to see them off for the expedition.

During this brief meeting a power point presentation on South Lhonak Lake previous expedition, scientific findings and objective of the mission was made by the Additional Director, Sikkim State Council of Science and Technology, Mr. D.G. Shreshtha.

On the other hand Dr. Sonam Wangchuk of SECMOL, Ladhak, briefed the gathering about the expedition and shared his experiences.

In his address State Relief Commissioner cum Secretary, LR& DMD Mr. Tsegyal Tashi stated that it was such a privilege to be part of such an initiative, which is very innovative, he added He termed the expedition a path breaking one.

Mr. Tashi also felt that such expedition will pave way for others to follow, while informing that this expedition will not only benefit Sikkim but the whole region of North East South Lhonak Lake is situated in the North West part of Sikkim.