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Corporate sector must rise above compulsory obligations & make voluntary contributions for the nation's upliftment: Raksha Mantri Shri Rajnath Singh

Raksha Mantri Shri Rajnath Singh has exhorted the corporate sector to rise above compulsory obligations and focus more on voluntary contributions for the upliftment of the nation. He was addressing a Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) Excellence Awards ceremony in Mumbai, Maharashtra on December 09, 2023. The Raksha Mantri highlighted the difference between voluntary contributions & legal liabilities and called for establishing a connect with the people. He said even Rs five given voluntarily for the welfare of the nation manages to establish a connect much deeper than Rs 100 paid as tax.

"Is a society with people with no social morality; where they work only under legal obligations really worth living in?," asked Shri Rajnath Singh as he shared his own vision. A society should have a shared sense of fraternity where everyone is ready to help each other, he said.

The Raksha Mantri stressed on the need to inspire others to come forward and contribute for the betterment of the country, while raising awareness about the areas that require attention. He added that the people need to know about the kinds of interventions that are benefiting the society and also those that aren't. Commending the socially conscious people, especially the corporates, for their contributions, he termed it as a responsibility of the country to recognise these individuals.

Shri Rajnath Singh emphasised that be it the people or the Government, the basic objective must be to establish a better nation. He called to leverage the synergy of social responsibility interventions and the government programmes with focus on convergence. The Raksha Mantri urged the corporate sector to pay attention to the efficiency of the social responsibility interventions as much as they focus on effective resource utilisation for their company. He also called upon them to not hesitate in adopting the best global CSR practices. He, however, urged to exercise caution against the ideologies which aim to divide the society, stating that they must be rejected outrightly.

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