## **Central Reserve Police Force**

## **CRPF CARES FOR ITS DIVYANG WARRIORS**

CRPF-the internal security warriors are actively engaged in all the conflict zones of the country including those in Jammu and Kashmir, LWE areas and the northeast. However, despite the best of care and caution, the CRPF brave hearts at times either lay down their lives or suffer grievous injuries while performing their operational duties for the sake of the Nation. Some of them also lose their vital body parts making them physically challenged for the rest of their lives. It is to stand by these Divyang Warriors that CRPF, under the stewardship of its Director General Dr. A P Maheshwari, has taken upon itself the responsibility of responding to their special needs. The Force is in the process of putting in place a robust architecture to offer psycho-physical and socioeconomic support to its Divyang Warriors. To this end, in a Webinar held today, Dr. A.P. Maheshwari, DG CRPF released a Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) document that contains detailed framework and guidelines for skilling and re-skilling the divyang warriors of CRPF. Addressing the attendees, the DG remarked that while the nature of duties in the force expose the personnel to the risk of injuries, it is our professional and moral duty to stand with them and skill them to lead a life of dignity, self respect, and confidence.

As a first, CRPF signed an MoU with Aditya Mehta Foundation- a domain specialist- back in March this year to engage its physically challenged persons in different para-sports so as to make them regain their self-esteem. In the same vein, CRPF has set up a skill centre for the Divyang Warriors at its Group Centre at Ranga Reddy, Hyderabad. The center will enable the Divyang Warriors to acquire the skill sets as per their suitability to make them lead a productive life, as before. Such skilling and re-skilling include 2 months basic computer training so that the physically impaired warriors can still act as Cyber Warriors in administrative works. The Force also bears the entire cost of providing prosthetic limbs for the amputees so that their mobility and maneuverability can at least be ensured, if not fully re-compensated.

CRPF, the Force with the humane heart, has always rushed to the aid of its brave hearts requiring medical, surgical, psychological and economic support, so that they can live their lives to the full and continue contributing to the making of this great Nation.

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