

CRPF honoured with 73 Gallantry Medals on R-Day-Highest among all Police and CAPFs

The Nation has bestowed its love and appreciation for CRPF by honouring the insurmountable Gallantry and courage of CRPF personnel with 73 Gallantry medals on Republic Day-2021, which is the highest among all Police forces and Central Armed Police Forces of the country. It takes the total tally to 2112 gallantry Medals, yet again the highest among all police and CAPFs. Most remarkably, these medals include 4 Kirti Chakras and 1 President's Police Medal for Gallantry in addition to the 68 Police Medals for Gallantry. For their diligence and devotion to duty, 6 personnel have also been awarded with President's Police Medal for Distinguished Service and 57 with Police Medal for Meritorious service.

Of the 73 Gallantry Medals, 65 have been awarded for the operations in Jammu and Kashmir while 8 are for the operations in LWE areas. 5 Bravehearts among these 73 Gallant Men have received a gallantry medal previously on one or more than one occasion.

Inspector/GD Pintu Kumar Singh of 92 Battalion CRPF, along with HC/GD Shyam Narain Singh Yadava and Ct/GD Vinod Kumar have been awarded with Kirti Chakra (Posthumously) for their indomitable courage and selfless devotion to duty displayed during the operation in Kralgund, Kupwara (J&K) on 28 February 2019. The three Bravehearts made supreme sacrifice while valiantly fighting the terrorists in this strenuous operation where 02 terrorists were neutralised in 34 hours.

Shri Rahul Mathur, Deputy Commandant of CRPF Valley QAT, who despite suffering grievous bullet injuries in an operation in Firdousabad Batamaloo Srinagar on 17 September 2020, kept his calm and neutralised a terrorist displaying utmost courage and fortitude has been awarded with the Kirti Chakra. Three terrorists were neutralised by the security forces in this joint operation. The officer has recovered from his injuries and has resumed his duties.

ASI/GD Mohan Lal of 110 Bn CRPF, who displayed the highest degree of courage, not hesitating to put his life in danger when he fired to stop the explosive laden car that eventually rammed up in a CRPF bus in the heinous Pulwama attack on 14/02/2019 has been Posthumously Awarded with President's Police Medal for Gallantry.

Congratulating all the medal recipients of the force, Dr. A.P. Maheshwari, DG CRPF expressed his gratitude to the nation for recognising the gallantry and valour of the CRPF personnel. The DG saluted the bravery and selfless devotion to duty of the 4 bravehearts who made supreme sacrifice for the country. He emphasised that such decorations not only give immense boost to the morale of the force personnel but reinforce their commitment to serve the nation with greater zeal and passion.



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Rahul Mathur

Kirti Chakra



CT/GD
Vinod Kumar
Kirti Chakra (Posthumous)



Insp/GD
Pintu Kumar Singh,
Kirti Chakra (Posthumous)



HC/GD
Shyam Narain Singh Yadava
Kirti Chakra (Posthumous)