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CRPF MELA INAUGURATED: PRESENTS A PICTURE OF 'MINI INDIA'

The Annual Welfare Exhibition (CRPF Mela) was inaugurated by **Smt Savitri Singh**, Wife of **Sh Rajnath Singh, Hon'ble Union Home Minister** at a grand ceremony organized today. **Smt. Aruni Doval, Wife of Sh Ajit Doval, NSA, Smt Kusum Mishra, Wife of Sh Nripendra Mishra, Principal Secretary to the Prime Minister of India, Sh Prakash Mishra, DG CRPF, Smt Sandhya Mishra, President CWA, Smt Sujata Prasad, Vice President CWA** , senior officers, jawans and their families were present on the occasion. Colourful cultural programmes were presented by the children of CRPF Public School, Dwarka & Rohini. The three day exhibition is displaying thirty two (32) stalls from various states of India selling artifacts of various regions, at a subsidized rate.

Speaking on the occasion Smt Savitri Singh said that CRPF, the largest paramilitary Force is protecting the country from Kashmir to Kanyakumari and Arunachal Pradesh to Gujarat. The personnel of this Force serve under very trying circumstances and discharge their duties, giving the highest sacrifice. As a result of this, the Force has won maximum number of gallantry medals, for many years now. The jawans of this Force not only protect the citizens from its enemies but also from natural calamities. She also said that the jawans of this Force stay away from their families most of the times. During this period, the CWA looks after the families of these jawans and teach them various skills. She said that women from all the corners of the country have arrived in the CRPF Mela representing their art and culture and that it presents a picture of 'Mini India'

In her address, Smt Sandhya Mishra, President CWA said that CWA was formed in 1995, which turned into a countrywide organization, looking after the families of jawans, retired personnel, widows/dependents of martyrs, children. To keep the spirit of mission, a committee has been formed to redress the complaints/grievances. She also said that to serve the people, CWA has crossed boundaries of the country and provided relief to the quake-victims Nepal.

On this occasion, the Chief Guest presented a motorized wheelchair to Constable Shiv Shankar Yadav, incapacitated in an anti-maoist operation. Smt Savitri Singh also presented the trophy for Best Family Welfare Centre, to GC Jalandhar (Punjab) while the Runner's Up trophy was lifted by GC Pune (Maharashtra). Smt Seema Devi of FWC of GC Pune was adjudged the 'Best Lady Worker', while Smt. Paramjeet Kaur, of GC Jalandhar bagged the second position.

Regards
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