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Election Commission of India
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Dear Shri Durga Prasad,

First of all, I wish to thank you for organising a first ever interactive get together of Election Commission of India and Central Police Forces leadership at national level.

I take this opportunity to acknowledge the active and constructive involvement of the **Central Reserve Police Force** in the recently concluded General Elections to the Legislative Assemblies of Assam, West Bengal, Tamil Nadu, Kerala and Puducherry in April-May-2016. On behalf of the Election Commission of India, I place on record our appreciation for the excellent performance displayed by all ranks of CRPF in ensuring a conducive environment for the conduct of free, fair, peaceful polls in the five States/UT.

3. The deployment of Central Police Forces during elections constitutes an integral part of the election management in the country and is considered vital for instilling confidence in the public, securing the overall law and order and security scenario and creating a much-needed level-playing field where every elector can exercise his/her franchise in a smooth and free manner sans fear, intimidation or threat. In this context, all the CPF personnel, from the officers to all the other ranks, have exhibited commitment, dedication and professionalism in the discharge of their election duties. The Commission has received many affirmative feedback from various quarters. The fact that CPF personnel consistently displayed high-order excellence in their services and duties over a long period of more than two months, speaks of their motivation, training, value

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system and leadership. This performance would not have been possible without determined leadership by you and team of your officers at the helm of the force and also by heads of respective participating CPF formations.

4. The Commission also appreciates the efforts that have been made by operation wing of CPF at Headquarters and State levels in ensuring a seamless, systematic and incident-free mobilization of the large number of CPF personnel, comprising 800 companies (having over 80,000 personnel) from their original bases to the different poll going states/UT, transportation, induction, deployment to the last polling booth and subsequent de-induction and transportation to the next phase of elections throughout the length and breadth of the country.

5. The Commission hopes that the above professional qualities imbibed in the Central Reserve Police Force and other CPF formations are maintained in times to come and they continue their inspirational service to the nation. As a Chief Coordinator of CPFs, I will request you to please convey our appreciation to heads of participating CPF Formations.

6. Before concluding, I would once again **thank you, Shri Zulfikar Hasan, IG (Ops) and all other officials at CRPF Headquarters** and also State Coordinators of CPF at respective State headquarters **namely Shri Vivek Sahay, IG, Shri Satpal Kapoor, IG and Shri M.V. Rao, IG** for their devoted service and dedicated performance and look forward to your cooperation in the future elections also.

Best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

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