

Valour Day invitation

The CRPF has a rich tradition of valour. The spirit of supreme sacrifice of the Force and its determination to fight to the finish is etched in gold in the history of the Force. Since its inception, the Force has established several milestones of bravery, which are beacons of inspiration to its rank and file.

The saga of valour of SARDAR POST stands out prominently. Pakistan, in the years after partition, had laid claims to a large chunk of Indian territory in the Rann of Kutch and made incursions into the Indian side. In the early part of 1965, Pakistani Rangers also established standing posts at KANJARKOT and DING.

2nd Bn, CRPF with strength of 2 coys was tasked to establish posts in the vicinity of KANJARKOT and DING to stop further illegal advances of Pakistanis into Indian Territory. As such Sardar and TAK posts were set up and these posts became a hindrance in the occupational designs of Pakistan. To remove this hurdle, Pak Army planned operation DESERT HAWK and under this plan, a full-fledged Pakistani Brigade launched an attack on Sardar Post at about 0330 hrs on 9th April, 1965.

Two Coys of CRPF were pitted against the might of a full-fledged infantry brigade. Yet the brave CRPF men tactfully and tenaciously fought back the offensive and repulsed the attack killing 34 Pakistani soldiers and capturing 4 alive. Repeated attempts of the Pakistani army could not succeed against the grim determination of the valiant CRPF men. The CRPF successfully defended the post till the arrival of reinforcements.

The battle of SARDAR POST is a unique example in the history of military battles where a handful of policemen fought back a full-fledged infantry brigade. It is the finest example of leadership, esprit-de-corps and valour. The saga of valour of Sardar Post is a rich source of inspiration to the officers and men of CRPF and befittingly 9th April is observed as the "Day of Valour".

This year on the occasion of "Valour Day" 9th April, 2015- Thursday, 83 Brave hearts of CRPF will be decorated with police Medal for Gallantry (PMG), of which 8 are posthumous.

The main function will be organised at Shaurya Institute of CRPF, Near TERI, Vashant Kunj from 1000 hrs onwards. Shri Rajnath Singh, Hon'ble Home Minister has kindly consented to be the Chief Guest.

You are cordially invited to the function and requested to cover it.

For transportation one bus each will be stationed in front of Times of India Building and INS building. The buses will depart for the venue at 0845 hrs. for further enquiry kindly contact PRO (Mob No. 9968328163 and Inspector Satyendra Singh Mob No. 9871709942.

With regards.

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