Central Reserve Police Force

CRPF Celebrates 82nd Raising Day

Vice President underlines CRPF's commitment to National Security CRPF is at the forefront of keeping our nation safe- says Prime Minister

Even as CRPF- the Peacekeepers of the Nation celebrates its 82nd Raising Day today, there has been an overwhelming response to the historic occasion from a large number of people and leaders alike. In his greetings to CRPF personnel and their family members through his Twitter handle, Vice President of India Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu said "CRPF is synonymous with dedication and commitment towards duty and national security." Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi tweeted "CRPF is at the forefront of keeping our nation safe. The courage and professionalism of this force are widely admired. May the CRPF achieve even greater heights in the coming years." Synonymising CRPF with 'valour, courage and sacrifice', Union Home Minister Shri Amit Shah tweeted "Time and again CRPF has made the nation proud. Their dedication to serve the society during Covid-19 is unparalleled."

Amidst the waves of good will and greetings from people from all walks of life including ministers and political leaders surging through social media, CRPF today organized a quiet function, customized to meet the pandemic protocols, in its headquarters premises in New Delhi to mark the 82nd Raising Day.

Union Minister of State for Home Shri Nityanand Rai graced the function as the chief guest while Shri Ajay Bhalla, Union Home Secretary was the special guest. The Chief Guest was offered the ceremonial salute on his arrival and was ushered into the corridor by Dr. A.P.Maheshwari, D.G and other senior officers of the Force where he garlanded the urn containing the holy soil of Sardar Post. On the other side at Neemuch, M.P- the birth place of the Force- Shri B.S.Chuhan, I.G, CTC, Neemuch placed a wreath of gratitude at the Martyrs' Memorial on behalf of the Minister.

Later, he addressed the officers and jawans of the Force. His message was relayed live over the electronic media as well as on-line platforms like Youtube and Facebook for the benefit of the 3.25 lakh Force personnel, their family members and the people in general.

On the occasion, the Chief Guest inaugurated an App entitled 'SAMBHAV' developed by the Force for its personnel. The App provides a one-stop platform for the Force personnel to access myriad matters pertaining to their service. The digital window provides a wide-angle view of the professional, administrative, welfare and other service related information to the Force personnel.

Earlier, welcoming the Chief Guest, Dr. Maheshwari said that CRPF is a dedicated and multi-spectrum Force with a huge popular appeal. By dint of its sheer dedication to the Nation and hard work, the Force has earned the confidence of the people. Highlighting various specialized arenas CRPF has been working in, the Director General said CRPF is the only Force which, with its focus on community collaboration, uniformly fits into the federal structure of our country and is widely accepted. He said that the Force has been able to calibrate all its endeavours with human sensibilities. While reiterating the commitment of the Force to its motto "Service & Loyalty", Dr. Maheshwari reminisced the selfless sacrifice made by over 2200 brave hearts of the Force for the sake of the motherland.

CRPF, raised as the Crown Representative's Police on 27th July 1939 was rechristened as the Central Reserve Police Force in 1949. Over the last 82 years, as the Nation grew from strength to strength, CRPF too went on gaining in size to become the largest paramilitary force of the country with 246 Bns. It is also the most decorated Force with 1980 gallantry medals- highest among the CAPFs. It is the designated Force for maintainance of internal security of the country with specialization in jungle warfare, riot control, crowd management and IED disposal among others. The visibility of the Force is also significant during elections, natural calamities, annual Sri Amarnathji Yatra and over and above during public health crisis like the Covid-19 induced pandemic, in addition to its courageous and continuous engagement in the terrorism-hit J & K, insurgency-affected North East and the LWE areas.

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