

## **CRPF foils attack on BSF convoy, terrorist neutralised in joint operation**

On 12/08/2021 at around 1425 Hrs, terrorists attacked a BSF convoy of 67 vehicles on NH-44 near Malpora, Mir Bazar area of District Kulgam. Troops of 46 Bn CRPF deployed for ROP duties on NH-44 swiftly and efficiently retaliated the fire and thwarted the nefarious plot of the terrorists, thereby preventing any casualty. Shocked by the timely and effective response of CRPF troops, the terrorists tried to flee from the spot. However; alert and unrelenting troops pursued the terrorists and forced them to take shelter in a nearby building following which a heavy exchange of fire started.

During the ensuing encounter Constable Umesh Kumar of A/46 suffered a gunshot wound and was evacuated for treatment. Besides, two civilians were injured from the terrorist fire. Reinforcements of CRPF , Indian Army, and JKP joined the operation. The operation continued till 13/08/2021 with intermittent firing throughout the night.

During the operation dreaded Pakistani terrorist Usman Bhai of Lashkar-e-Taiba was neutralised. Huge cache of arms and ammunition including one AK-47 rifle, magazines, RPG launcher and RPG rocket shells were recovered.

The alertness of the CRPF troops and their counter attack at lightning speed foiled the attempt of the terrorists to carry out an attack before 15th August and saved the lives of more than 600 personnel who were travelling in the convoy. DG CRPF has lauded the team for their exemplary effectiveness and awarded them with Commendation Discs.

