## <u>CRPF's Annual Training Conference Emphasizes Operational Readiness Through</u> <u>Training</u>

New Delhi, November 3rd—Underlining the importance of training in operational preparedness, the Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) convened its Annual Training Conference under the chairmanship of Dr. Sujoy Lal Thaosen, DG, CRPF at the SHAURYA Officers' Institute in Vasant Kunj today. The conference brought together senior officers of CRPF and heads of Training Institutions to deliberate on different aspects of training including need for calibration of training from operational perspective, continuous upgradation of training through inputs from field, sharpening of skills of troops for ensuring their operational capacity and use of cutting-edge technology for effective learning.

Dr. Thaosen, while welcoming the senior officers and heads of training institutions, enjoined upon them to revisit the approach and content of training keeping in mind the generational change, scientific advancements and operational requirements. He underscored the pivotal role of training in the preparation of an operationally oriented force like the CRPF.

Dr. Thaosen highlighted the diversity of responsibilities and challenges CRPF faces, making it among the world's most versatile forces. He stressed the need for continuous updating and the incorporation of contemporary technology to ensure that the training ecosystem caters to the ever-evolving needs and operational requirements of the Force.

During the conference, DG CRPF unveiled a document on "Training Policy and an updated "Handbook of Ceremonies." While training policy seeks to bring uniformity in approach and process, the Handbook on Ceremonies provides directives for maintaining procedural consistency during various force-level events.

Dr. Thaosen emphasized the importance of a learner-centric inclusive approach to training within the force. As part of this commitment, he launched the "SAATHI" Android-based app,designed in house to bring training to CRPF personnel "Anywhere Anytime" with just a simple click. This innovative App not only empowers trainees but also reduces training costs and course durations. DG CRPF commended the dedicated team of officers and personnel who contributed to the development of the SAATHI mobile app. On this occasion, DG CRPF also released the logo for the CRPF Training sector.

During the conference, senior officers indulged into comprehensive discussions, covering key aspects of training such as, implementation of the CRPF training network, possibility of integration of artificial intelligence and information technology for SMART training, aligning the training curriculum with operational challenges across diverse theatres and dimensions of internal security.

DG CRPF highlighted the necessity of creating an enabling training environment in training institutions by adopting a humane and inclusive approach. He also stressed the importance of identifying and nurturing talent while developing a pool of recognized master trainers.

In his closing remarks, DG CRPF reiterated the collective responsibility to ensure that CRPF's troops receive the best possible instructional infrastructure and training inputs, for maintaining operational preparedness in order to address dynamic internal security challenges.





