

More than 80000 CRPF personnel pledge their organs

The commitment of the Central Reserve Police force to serve the nation even beyond death, led the force personnel to join hands with ORBO and AIIMS Delhi for a massive organ donation campaign-'e-sanjeevani'. The campaign which started on the eve of Independence day 2020 culminated on 27th November- the National Organs Donation Day. In a short span of time, the campaign has garnered pledge of more than 80000 personnel and their family members.

Union Minister of Health and Family Welfare Dr. Harsh Vardhan graced the Webinar that marked this momentous occasion. The minister lauded the efforts of CRPF, ORBO, and AIIMS Delhi that had led to such significant increase in number of organ donations in a brief period. He called the endeavour unprecedented in magnitude and inspirational for the nation. The minister also commended the fact that the force, in addition to its versatile role in tackling the Internal Security challenges of the country, has not only pledged to serve the nation beyond death but is also motivating the civilian population to join the noble cause of Organ Donation. The force personnel had also joined the Cyclothon to raise nation wide awareness about organ donation on 22nd November which clocked 5000 Km at the completion.

Speaking on the success of the campaign Dr A.P. Maheshwari said that he is proud of the commitment and devotion of the force personnel who have joined this great cause. He said that the spirit to serve the humanity in all possible ways has been repeatedly illustrated by the internal security warriors of CRPF who have gone beyond the confines of duty to help fellow citizens by rendering assistance in the times of need.

Dr (Prof) Randeep Guleria, Director AIIMS Delhi, congratulated CRPF and ORBO for their endeavors hoping that day will come when there will be no gap in the demand and donation of organs in the country.

Expressing her deep appreciation for the success of the campaign, Dr (Prof) Aarti Vij, Head ORBO recounted that it was CRPF's Mahila Battalion which pledged its organs before the erstwhile President of India Smt. Pratibha Patil on the occasion of Women's Day.

This campaign addressed the issue by creating awareness, dispelling fears, and attesting the acceptability of organ donation as a norm. Several webinars, seminars, workshops and awareness campaigns were conducted to encourage voluntary participation of CRPF personnel for the humane cause. The personnel could pledge donation of eyes, skin, lungs, heart, liver, pancreas, kidney, heart valves, intestine and blood vessels in this campaign.

