

Union Home Minister gifted PMJAY benefits to 28 Lakh CAPF personnel and their families

Union Home Minister Shri Amit Shah launched the 'Ayushman CAPF' scheme at CRPF Group Centre Guwahati that has gifted the access of healthcare providers under 'Ayushman Bharat: Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (PM-JAY)' to about 28 Lakh CAPFs, Assam Rifles & NSG personnel and their families in all the states where PMJAY is operational. To this end an MoU between the National Health Authority and Ministry of Home Affairs was signed on the occasion which was also attended by Shri Sarbananda Sonowal, Chief Minister of Assam and Minister of State for Home Affairs Shri Nityanand Rai, and other dignitaries. Smt Bhudhaswari Devi, mother of CRPF Mahila Constable Namita Devi became the family member to receive the e-card under the scheme. The Home Minister then e-inaugurated Sashastra Seema Bal's 168 Type-II Quarters, 10 Bedded hospitals, and an Administrative building situated at different locations across Assam.

Lauding the CAPFs during his address, the Home Minister said that the country respects them and salutes their dedication and sacrifice in serving the nation. Acknowledging that CAPF personnel have several concerns about family back home, he assured that this scheme has taken care of at least one of those concerns relating to healthcare.

Dr. A.P Maheshwari, DG CRPF expressed his gratitude to the Ministry of Home Affairs and National Health authority for bringing the CAPFs under the umbrella of the PM-JAY Scheme. He said that the Home Minister has personified his own idea of celebrating this year in CAPF as the year of human sensitivities by this scheme which shows his great concern for the health of CAPF personnel. The children of CRPF personnel also thanked the Home Minister by reciting a heartening poem and presenting him with a painting.

Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi launched the Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri- Jan Arogya Yojana (AB PM-JAY) on 23rd September 2018 from Ranchi, Jharkhand. This scheme has proved to change the face of healthcare service delivery in the country. AB PM-JAY has a robust IT system with a strong anti-fraud, abuse control and grievance redressal mechanism. To increase the accessibility of the scheme, a dedicated Call Centre, and a PM-JAY app is also functioning.

CAPFs i.e CRPF, BSF, ITBP, SSB, CISF, NSG and Assam Rifles are courageously serving the nation by ensuring safety and security not just from internal threats and disturbances but also threats from across the borders. In the line of duty, the personnel of CAPF not only experience threats to their personal safety and health but also get stationed away from their families for months at a stretch. The healthcare services to CAPF personnel on PM-JAY IT platform will help the CAPF Bravehearts and their families in availing complete paperless and cashless services across 24,000 plus empaneled hospitals in a phased manner. The process of reimbursement in case of emergency services in non-empaneled hospitals have also been made easy. The national portability feature of the scheme is yet another advantage to these personnel who frequently move throughout the country when the duty calls.



