

Fidayeen attack on 45 Bn, CRPF camp at Sumbal, J&K on 5/6/2017

A major fidayeen attack was thwarted by the **45 Bn, CRPF in Sumbal**, Distt-Bandipora, J&K this morning and **all the four militants were gunned down** by the alert CRPF troops. **Arms, ammunition and explosives have been recovered in huge quantity** from the possession of killed militants including 4 AK Series Rifles.

C&D coys of 45 Bn, CRPF are located at the **outskirts of Sumbal town** in Bandipora distt of J&K. Unit Hqr is around 300 meter away . Today i.e. on 5/6/2017, in the wee hours, around **0330 A.M**, taking advantage of dark, **2 heavily armed militants who were actually fidayeen tried to barged into the camp** from the road side. The alert sentry of Morcha No.2 noticed some unusual movement & alerted the camp. **Meanwhile, these 2 militants, came near the main gate of the camp and inflicted heavy fire towards the sentry and tried to get a forcible entry into the camp.** But, the **alert sentry retaliated** with heavy fire & eliminated 2 of the fidayeens. Information about the attack was shared with Unit HQrs and subsequently to the police. **Unit QAT of 45 Bn also rushed towards the site.** Meanwhile, due to the storm, **electric supply of the camp got disrupted & dark prevailed in the camp.** On this, **the generator was put on service and the area around the camp was illuminated.** **Para Illuminating bombs** were also fired to lit the area and to identify the location of militants. Then, **rest of the 2 militants who were in the rear of the front assault party also came near the fence and inflicted heavy fire towards the camp** and tried to get in. But, in a fiercly fought encounter that **lasted till 0530 A.M.** **both these attackers too were eliminated in heavy firing from the camp.** **RR and SOG troops also joined the operation later and intensive search was carried out in the area with the aim to sanitize it fully.**

All the 4 heavily armed militants were successfully neutralized by the CRPF troops at the fence of the camp itself and the fidayeens could not inflict any injury or casualty to the force personnel.

All the Four, in all likelihood are **foreign militants.**

The following arms, ammunition and explosives have been recovered from the possession of the militants-

- **A.K. -47 Assault Rifles - 4 No.**
- **UBGL - 1 No.**
- **A.K. -47 Magzines - 12 No.**
- **UBGL Grenades - 7 No.**
- **Hand Grenades - 9 No.**
- **Ammunition - Huge Quantity**

After the encounter a violent mob gathered in the vicinity and heavy stone pelting was started. Due to the worsening L&O situation, dead bodies of all the four militants could not be taken to hospital for post mortem and kept in SF camp till situation improves.

This is the second major success of CRPF in the past one week after Tral Encounter on 26/5/2017 where Sabjar Bhat, a Category 'A++' militant and Successor of Burhan Wani was neutralized by CRPF in a joint operation with SOG and RR troops.

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A). Statistics:-

Militants killed	67
Militants apprehended	228
Arms recovered	115
Ammunition recovered	4156
Grenades recovered	141
IEDs recovered	10
Encounters	44
CRPF men martyred	10

B). In the following incidents, CRPF played a key role -

- **Nagrotta Attack on 29-11-2016-** CRPF played an instrumental role in rescuing Army personnel to safe places and was instrumental in minimizing the casualties in the camp attack in Nagrotta.
- **Arwani Encounter on 07 to 09-12-2016-** CRPF killed 2 militants, Majid Zargar, category “A” militant and District Commander of LeT in Kulgam, and Rahil Amin Dar, category “A” militant, District Commander of LeT in Anantnag, and recovered AK -47 Rifles from their possession.
- **Bomma Encounter on 13-12-2016-** CRPF killed militant Abu Bakar, A++ category and Divisional Commander of LeT. He was a Pakistani militant and was a rewarder of Rs 10 lacs and recovered AK - 47 Rifle from his possession.
- **Hajin Encounter, on 19-01-2017-** CRPF killed militant Abu Musaib, Divisional Commander of LeT and recovered AK-47 Rifle from his possession.
- **Hajin Encounter, on 14-02-2017-** CRPF killed Abu Haris, a Foreign militant of LeT and recovered AK-47 rifle from his possession. **CRPF Commandant Shri Chetan Cheeta** injured severely in the encounter while leading from the front.
- **Hafu Encounter, on 05-03-17-** 2 hard core militants, including one **of foreign origin** were neutralized in an encounter at village – Hafu, PS – Tral, district - Pulwama, J&K by joint troops of 180 Bn CRPF, SOG and 42 RR. **Both militants were of A++ category.**

- **Sabjar Bhat, Successor of Burhan Wani and HM militant of A++ category** in Tral on 26-5-2017 by joint troops of 180 Bn CRPF, SOG and RR.
- **Fidayeen attack was thwarted on 45 Bn, CRPF camp at Sumbal , Bandipora on 5-6-2017 and all the 4 militants were neutralized.**



