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Rank Ceremony held for Out of Turn promotes of CRPF

CRPF has set a record in achieving the highest number of medals for gallantry in the year 2017-18. The laurels include 2 Kirti Chakras, 4 Saurya Chakras and 104 Police Medals for gallantry- an all time high for CRPF. This was revealed by Rajeev Rai Bhatnagar, DG, CRPF in a rank ceremony held today in the CRPF headquarters, New Delhi to honour the four brave hearts of the Force who were given out of turn promotion for their gallant action in Kashmir. Presenting their respective ranks to the four brave jawans, Sh. Bhatnagar said that CRPF, as a Force, always lead from the front in any situation of internal security of the country. He said that the Force personnel are well trained, well equipped, well protected, alert and professionally competent to fulfill the mandate of the Force. Congratulating the jawans, Sh. Bhatnagar said that steps are being taken to further the capacity building of the Force personnel in terms of modernization and surveillance and hoped that the Force will set newer benchmark of gallantry in the years to come.

These four brave jawans who were given out of turn promotion for their gallant action in the terrorism-hit Jammu and Kashmir are Head Constable A.S. Krishana, Constable K.Dinesh Raja and Constable Prafulla Kumar of the 45 Bn and Constable Ghait Raghunath Ulhas of 23 Bn. The alertness and pure professionalism of the four jawans could foil two recent fidayeen attacks in Jammu and Kashmir leading to the neutralization of 6 terrorists. In recognition of their bravery and dedication to duty, the Government gave approval to resume the provision of out of turn promotion for these bravehearts after a gap of 14 years.

While Head Constable A.S. Krishana has been promoted to the rank of Assistant Sub-Inspector, Constable K.Dinesh Raja and Constable Prafulla Kumar have been given out of turn promotion to the rank of Head constable. The high professional promptness of these three bravehearts of the 45 Bn could thwart a deadly terrorist attack on the CRPF camp located in the Industrial Area (Training Ground) in Sumbal in the Bandipora district of Kashmir on 5th of June last year. Due to their alertness and subsequent raising of an alarm, not only the terrorist attack was foiled but also all the four heavily armed militants were neutralized on the spot itself.

Similarly, the brave constable Ghait Raghunath Ulhas , who was instrumental in thwarting a terror attack on the 23 Bn campus in Karan Nagar in Srinagar on 11th of February this year, was rewarded with a promotion to the rank of Head Constable. An alert Ulhas, who was on sentry duty, could sense the surreptitious movement of two heavily armed terrorists even in the wee hours and fired at them without caring for his own life. The subsequent action by the security forces that lasted for more than one hour, saw the neutralization of both the militants.

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