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SEND OFF CEREMONY OF IFPU-III: 5TH BSF CONTINGENT PROCEEDING TO HAITI ON UN MISSION

BSF extend beyond borders too. Bordermen have helped world peace by often donning the role of UN Peace keeping Forces.

The 5th BSF Contingent for United Nations Organisation Stabilisation Mission in Haiti (IFPU-III) is flagged off today by Shri K K Sharma, Addl Director General (Ops), Border Security Force from Headquarters, CGO Complex, New Delhi on today i.e. 16th Jan 2015.

The BSF Peace Keeping Mission proceeding to Haiti has a total strength of 140 personnel {Officers – 09 (which includes 01 CMO and 01 SMO), Sub Ordonate Officers – 11 and Other Ranks – 120} headed by Shri S Shiva Murthy, Commandant is proceeding to Haiti to join the United Nations Stabilization Mission in Haiti (MINUSTAH) and will replace the 4th BSF Contingent already deployed in Haiti will back after completion of one year successful UN Mission.

Haiti is a small country with area of 27,750 Sq Km in the continent of North America. It has a population of approximately one crore and has been badly affected by natural calamities beside poor governance. Port-au-Prince is the capital city of and HQrs of many political institutions as well as Headquarters of UN Mission.

The role of contingent in Haiti will be to maintain Civil order, Crowd control, protection functions, filling capacity gap, VIP security of UN Staff, capacity enhancement and armed support to HNP (Haiti National Police). The members of the
contingent have been imparted training to accomplish the role and task as per UN Mandate.

To meet the prevailing challenges in UN Mission, BSF Contingent have been trained with specific reference to combat the menace of civil war and assist the local-police in maintaining Law & Order. A specific capsule training was imparted by BSF to the Peace Keeping Mission personnel including Knowledge and French language, Mob dispersal, riot control, protective patrolling, driving, aid to civilian, human rights etc as per the guide lines of the UN.


India is one of the largest contributors of troops as UN Peacekeepers in various Countries out of which BSF is the second largest force after Indian Army, sending troops on UN Mission. BSF has presently 02 Peacekeeping Missions at Congo and Haiti as an Indian Formed Police Unit-2 & 3 respectively.

IFPU-3 Contingent was deployed in Haiti on self-sustainment basis during the year 2010 after massive earthquake in Haiti. 4th BSF contingent is deployed in Haiti on rotation at present. The United Nations Stabilization Mission in Haiti (MINUSTAH) was established on June 01, 2004. The devastating earthquake of Jan’2010 which resulted in more than 2,20,000 deaths delivered a severe blow to country’s already shaky economy and infrastructure. MINUSTAH played a vital role in the immediate recovery, reconstruction and stability efforts in the Country.

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