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BORDER SECURITY FORCE ORGANISED “HORSE RACE COMPETITION”

1. Border Security Force “**Horse Race Competition**” is organized on 16th Mar 2015 at **1555** hrs under the aegis of BSF at Delhi Race Club, Race Course Road, New Delhi. Shri D K Pathak, IPS, Director General, Border Security Force was the Chief Guest of the function.
2. During the competition, 13 Participants participated. Shri D K Pathak, IPS, Director General, Border Security Force, Chief Guest distributed prizes to the winners as mentioned below :-
 - Ist Prize – Ashwa Gaznee (Horse), Mr R Parvesh (owner of Horse)
 - 2nd Prize – Miss Shakira (Horse), Mr S A Shah (owner of Horse)
 - 3rd Prize – Flori De Cama (Horse), Mr Amandeep Singh (owner of Horse)
3. Speaking about the event, Shri D K Pathak, IPS, Director General BSF said, “This year’s challenge is special to us as it is a part of our commemorative celebrations to mark our Golden Jubilee. Horse racing is more than just a competitive sport for us as it embodies our heritage and tradition. We are proud that we able to carry forward this legacy while supporting professional Indian riders in their pursuit of excellence in this sport.”

4. Border Security Force Cup Race is being organized every year by Delhi Race Club Limited.

5. Border Security Force Brass Band, armed with drums, trumpets and bagpipes, displayed a symphony of martial musical tunes during the Cup Race.

6. The resilient riders of the Border Security Force brought laurels to organization by their excellent performance in Asiad (1982) and many other National/ International events conducted by EFI & FEI.

History :- Until 1970, the Border Security Force did not have any horses. The founding Director of the BSF Academy at Tekanpur (near Gwalior) Brigadier B C Pandey introduced the first unit of horses in the Academy. Over the years the horses unit at the Tekanpur Academy get well established and is currently thriving in an impressive way with in a short span of time, the Border Security Force put Horses effectively for numerous dates like patrolling, surveillance, escort and other ceremonial duties.

Brief of the Horse squads of the BSF:- Border Security Force has an strength of 341 Horses which are at Punjab Frontier, Rajasthan Frontier and at training Academy of the BSF at Tekanpur near Gwalior, Madhya Pradesh. These horses in Tekanpur are a part of the Academy, imparting training in equitation to the officer trainees of the BSF. In addition, horses stabled at the Tekanpur Campus have also been deeply involved in honing skills of the personnel of the Force in various equestrian sports.

Notable wins of Border Security Force :-

- Shri K S Rathore, IPS, National Dressage Championship (EFI) 1979

- Shri Sardara Ram and Shri Mangtu Ram, Open Show Jumping and 3 day Events of EFI (1993)
- Shri Jagmahender Singh, Head Constable, Gde-III, Show Jumping EFI(2010)
- March 2010- International Tent pegging- Shri Jaswinder Singh, HC and Shri Sunder Singh, HC were part of Team India. That foursome won 3 Gold Medals, 2 Silver Medals and a Bronze Medal for the country.
- BSF Equestrian Team has so far won in the AIPEM`s 210 Gold Medals, 170 Silver Medals and 190 Bronze Medals.
- BSF has won the Team Championship Trophy highest number of times in the All India Police Equestrian Meets.
- Shri Sumer Singh and Shri Dalbir Singh, Inspector have been conferred the prestigious “Vikram Award” by the State of Madhya Pradesh.

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