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SIGNING OF MOU BETWEEN NSDF, NSDC & BSF

BSF “**India’s First Line of Defence**”, guard Indo-Pak and Indo-Bangladesh borders. Border Security Force, the largest border guarding force of world is a unique force with both “Peace time and War time roles and has proven its mettle in most difficult tasks assigned to it in times of peace, war and disturbed peace at Borders and Hinterland. Besides efficiently dominating borders, BSF endeavors for welfare of its troops and for the local population living in vicinity of BSF establishments.

2. On the remote frontiers for civil population, BSF is the face of the state. In the continuous journey of strengthening human resources within and in vicinity on 31st July’ 2017, BSF signed MoU with NSDC (National Skill Development Corporation) to provide “Skill –training to retired BSF personnel and those who are on the verge of retirement, as well as to the population residing in the border areas.

3. The objective of the MoU to :-

- (a) To contribute to the Skill Development Agenda of the country by ensuring the successful roll out of NSQF (National Skill Qualification Framework) based skill training to the retiring or retired BSF personnel and local population at the area of deployment through NSQF compliant training programmes at multi-skill development centres run by BSF. This will help in meeting the aspirations of the stakeholders for training and employment.

- (b) This collaboration aims to train and provide gainful employment to retired BSF personnel and their families, school students, youth, differently abled for five years starting from April 2017 to April 2022.
- (c) The project will be of a limited time period i.e. (5 years) and in mission mode. As such, the curriculum development and capacity building should be encouraged to enable the model to be self-sustaining over time.
- (d) The program will be appropriately named keeping the objectives in view and will have BSF co-branding with Skill India and NSDC.

4. During this MoU signing ceremony, Hon'ble MoS (Independent Charge) Shri Rajiv Pratap Rudy, Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship, Hon'ble MoS (Home) Shri Kiren Rijiju, Ministry of Home Affairs, Shri K K Sharma, IPS, DG BSF, Shri Rajesh Agrawal, Jt. Secretary, MSDE & CEO from NSDF, Shri Manish Kumar, Chief Executive Officer from NSDC and senior officers of BSF were also present.

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