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**OPENING CEREMONY OF  
BSF ANNUAL WELFARE MEET & EXHIBITION – 2017**

New Delhi, 13<sup>th</sup> Oct' 2017:

1. **Smt. Savitri Devi, (w/o Shri Rajnath Singh, Hon'ble Union Home Minister),** inaugurated the **BSF Annual Welfare Meet & Exhibition-2017** at **Dayal Singh College Sports Ground, Lodhi Road, New Delhi** today. Chief Guest was welcomed by Smt. Renu Sharma, President BSF Wives Welfare Association (BWWA) alongwith other BWWA members and senior BSF Officers.

2. This exhibition is extension of Welfare meet, where field commanders went into vertical interaction with personnel (all ranks). The Welfare cell of Force Headquarters initiated the proceedings with a brief description of welfare measures already implemented by Govt. of India. The initiatives taken by BSF for welfare of men and families like **Financial Literacy**, free use of **Prepmantra app**, **Holistic Health measures** were also appraised. The interaction was very fruitful as personnel of different rank and profile expressed freely to DG BSF indicating areas where a helping hand is needed. There were certain domains where BSF as an organization may not help and BWWA, as an independent body can work. President BWWA was also present in the interaction. This meet and exhibition is in Forces' tradition, where the informal meeting and interactions are amalgamated with an exhibition.

3. This exhibition is open to all. It is a kaleidoscopic representation of art and culture of India's frontiers where BSF is deployed. This morning in inaugural session of exhibition along with force personnel, people of Delhi and specially students and faculty of Dyal Singh College appreciated the exciting display of BSF weapons and artillery, Film on BSF as well as BSF Photo Exhibition. Not only this, the BSF has also displayed exquisite & handpicked items from all over the country. A Free Medical Checkup & Awareness Camp which also attracted the number of peoples.

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4. On third time, **SHIPKS (Shimanta Paribar Kallayan Samity)** of Border Guard Bangladesh has also participating in BSF Annual Welfare Meet & Exhibition-2017 in the national capital from 13<sup>th</sup> Oct' 2017. SHIPKS has display their stall in BSF Annual Welfare Meet & Exhibition-2017 as a part of good will gesture. The SHIPKS stall is having Sarees of Bangladesh, Leather Goods and Handicraft of Bangladesh.

5. During the occasion of inauguration ceremony of BSF Annual Welfare Meet & Exhibition-2017, a **Coffee Table Book on BWWA** was released. This year BWWA is completing 25 years. During this occasion, the Chief Guest also released BWWA Magazine namely "**PRAHARI SANGINI**". She also lauded the work done by the BSF.

6. All BSF field formations along with training institutions are taking part in this exhibition. This exhibition is a unique platform, wherein BSF personnel from various parts of the country put up unique Arts, Artifacts and Handicrafts from all over the country for display and sale. Many of the products are indigenous and made by BWWA of the respective frontiers.

7. The **three day** BSF Annual Welfare Meet & Exhibition-2017 has a **theme for every day. Inaugural day is Braveheart's Day. 14<sup>th</sup> will be the Wellness Day** and finally on **15<sup>th</sup> October** it will **consummate as Community Service Day**. Several colourful cultural programmes showcasing the cultural diversity of India are included for conveyance of message.

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