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PRESS NOTE

RUN FOR MARTYRS - 2018

14th October 2018. Major Dhyan Chand Stadium, New Delhi.

- 2. Border Security Force organized a 5-kilometer run of force personnel of CAPFs and all other willing to participate. This run is dedicated to the Martyrs.
- 3. Dr. Satya Pal Singh, Hon'ble Minister of State for Human Resource Development, Govt. of India flagged-off the enthusiastic participants from CAPFs and the civil society. Approximately 4000 participants including Divyangjan and children ambled around hexagon of India Gate showing their respect to the Martyrs of Police forces who laid down their lives in the service of nation.
- 4. On 21st Oct' 1959, a CRPF patrol of 21 men led by Dy. SP Karam Singh, came under surprise attack by the Chinese, armed with automatic weapons. In the gun battle, though the CRPF party was outnumbered, it gave a bold account of itself in the face of overwhelming odds. We lost our ten brave Jawans. Their martyrdom on this day is, therefore, remembered as 'Police Commemoration Day'.
- 5. This year, 21st October marks the beginning of the 60th anniversary year of Hot Springs Incident, in which 10 valiant policemen had laid down their lives while defending the integrity of our country in Aksai Chin. To spread awareness about the valuable contributions made by police personnel in defending the nation and to instill pride in the profession, police forces organize various activities throughout the country in a run up to **Police Commemoration Day (October 21, 2018).**
- 6. In the series of activities planned, the BSF has organized this **'Run for Martyrs'** (5 km run) today on 14th Oct' 2018 at 0700 Hrs from the Major Dhyan Chand National Stadium, New Delhi.
- 7. Shri Rajni Kant Mishra, Director General Border Security Force welcomed the chief guest and the participants for the run. Dedicating this run as the tribute to the Martyrs, DG BSF said that the sacrifices of martyred comrades will always guide us on the righteous path.
- 8. Dr. Satya Pal Singh, MoS HRD appreciated this gesture of tribute. Lauding the enthusiasm of participants, he reiterated that contribution of Martyrs must not be forgotten. Honourable Minister said that we are also duty bound to look after the families of Martyrs.



- 9. This year 414 policemen from different CAPFs and state police forces have given the supreme sacrifice on the altar of duty.
- 10. Medals and certificate of participation have been awarded to the front runners in different categories by the chief guest to the occasion.
- 11. This dedicated "Run for Martyrs" has been successfully conducted with the able support of Delhi Police, CPWD, Sports Authority of India, CAPFs and the people of Delhi.

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