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GOVERNOR GEN JJ SINGH VISITS TROOPS IN URI IN J&K

Jammu and Kashmir, July31: Arunachal Pradesh Governor and former Chief of the Army Staff, General (Retd.) JJ Singh visited the border town of Uri in Jammu and Kashmir on 28th July 2012.

While addressing the troops of the Maratha Light Infantry, that included the Maratha Battalion, which he commanded from February 1981 to June 1983 and served for the better part of his exceptional military career, General Singh appreciated the excellent services rendered by the battalion and exhorted them to continue to serve the Nation in the highest traditions of the Indian Army and the Maratha Light Infantry.

General Singh, who advocated the ‘Velvet Gloves and Iron Fist’ guiding principle, exhorted the troops to conduct the military operations in professional manner.

It may be mentioned here that last time General JJ Singh visited Uri was shortly after the disastrous earthquake of 2005. It was under his able leadership as Chief of the Army then that the Army took upon itself to provide succor to the disaster struck population of Uri. It was on the directions of the General that Army adopted village Churunda near the Line of Control for rehabilitation and reconstruction.

This time around the General came down to Uri specially to visit troops of Maratha Light Infantry located in and around Uri. General, who commissioned into 9 Maratha Light Infantry on 2nd August 1964 is the lifelong Honorary Colonel of the Regiment of the Maratha Light Infantry.

Earlier in his arrival, General JJ Singh was received by the Senior Military and State Government officials.