GOVERNOR'S SECRETARIAT ARUNACHAL PRADESH ITANAGAR

PRESS RELEASE

The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh Lt. Gen (Retd) Nirbhay Sharma, one of most distinguished and decorated Field Commanders of the Indian Army reviewed the Attestation Parade of Parachute Regiment at Parachute Regimental Training Centre, Bangalore on 22nd June 2013.

While welcoming the newly attested paratroopers in the regimental fold, the Governor urged the new recruits to imbibe 'Imandari', 'Wafadari', 'Bahaduri,' the basic tenets of a soldier. Lt Gen (Retd) Sharma, who as a young Captain was part of the Airborne Assault Group, the first Indian Army Unit to enter Dacca in the 1971 War, reminded the soldiers that they are joining the finest regiment of the Indian Army whose feats of valour and bravery are unparalleled. The Governor also complimented the paratroopers on their impressive turnout and impeccable drill.

65 recruits passed out on the day after successful completion of 34 weeks military training. The parade was of more significant as the Parachute Regiment Training Centre celebrates its Golden Jubilee this year. The centre was raised on 22nd June 1963 at Agra Fort.

Recruit Amit Singh received the Gill Medal for overall Best Recruit and the Endurance Medal on the occasion. Recruit Sajad Ahmed Yatoo received the Ghadge Medal for best shooter. The Cheema Medal for best Recruit in Physical Training was awarded to Recruit Deep Jyoti Chetia. The Chettri Medal for Best Recruit in drill was awarded to Recruit Rafi Bashir Lone, who commanded the parade.

The daylong programme included wreath laying ceremony at the war memorial and special Sainik Sammelan and release of Paratrooper magazine 2013.

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