

## **Ministry of Home Affairs-Major Achievements, significant Development and important events for the month of March, 2018.**

The First Investiture Ceremony for conferment of the Padma Awards was held on 20.03.2018 at Rashtrapati Bhavan where the President of India conferred Padma Awards on 43 awardees.

2. Ambassador of USA to India called on Hon'ble Home Minister on 16<sup>th</sup> March, 2018 wherein issues of mutual interest to both countries were discussed.
3. Agreement between Government of Republic of India and Government of French Republic on the Prevention of Illicit Consumption and Suppression of Illicit Trafficking of Narcotic Drug, Psychotropic Substances and Chemical Precursors, as well as related Offences was signed on 10.03.2018.
4. The Enemy Property (Amendment) Bill, 2018 was notified on 21.03.2018 as a subordinate legislation under the Enemy Property (Amendment & Validation) Act, 2017. The guidelines for disposal of Enemy Property Order, 2018 and Transfer of Property (vested in the Custodian) order, 2018 were also notified on 21.03.2018.
5. The Disaster Management division, Ministry of Home Affairs and the Government of Japan jointly organized a two day workshop on Disaster Risk Reduction from 19-20 March, 2018 at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi. The workshop deliberated on various themes viz. disaster management, policy framework, risk assessment, disaster resilient infrastructure, early warning system, preparedness by sub national governments and approaches by private sector.
6. On 19.3.2018 Union Home Secretary held a meeting to review the disturbed area status in Arunachal Pradesh and Meghalaya. The meeting was attended by senior officers of Assam, Meghalaya & Arunachal Pradesh, representatives of IB, MoD and Cabinet Secretariat.
7. Special Secretary (IS) on 16.3.2018 held a meeting in Agartala (Tripura) to discuss the issues relating to repatriation of Bru migrants from Tripura to Mizoram.
8. Tripartite talks among Govt. of India, State Government of Manipur and the United Naga Council was held on 23. 3. 2018 at Senapati (Manipur)
9. A meeting on 20.3.2018 with Chief Secretaries of Assam and Mizoram was also held by Union Home Secretary to discuss the issues relating to Assam-Mizoram border disputes.
10. Union Home Secretary wrote to the Prabhari Officers of 33 LWE aspirational districts advising them to visit the areas and send reports/views on the required policy intervention in the thematic areas of health and nutrition, education, agriculture and water resources, financial inclusion, skill development and basic infrastructure provided.

11. Union Home Secretary also wrote to the Chief Secretaries of 10 LWE affected States for expediting their projects in view of the relaxation given by M/o Environment, Forest and Climate Change.

12. An amount of Rs.219.08 crore was released to 10 LWE affected states as reimbursement under the Security Related Expenditure (SRE) scheme. Another Rs 50 crore was released to Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Chattisgarh, Jharkahnd, Maharashtra, Telengana and Odisha under the "Special Infrastructure Scheme".

13. During March 2018 two advisories were issued to the State Governments/CPFs to sensitize them to counter the LWE activities in the LWE affected areas.

14. An amount of Rs. 99.78 crore was released to the State Governments of Arunachal Pradesh, Meghalaya, Himachal Pradesh, Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim, Jammu & Kashmir, Manipur, Punjab, and Utrkhand. The total funds released under Border Area Development Programme (BADP) so far during the current financial year 2017-18 (up to Mar., 2018) works out to Rs.1100 crore.

15. 9<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Steering Committee for review of Coastal Security under the chairmanship of Special Secretary (BM) was held on 27<sup>th</sup> March, 2018

16. Passenger Terminal Building at Integrated Check Post at Moreh has been operationalised w.e.f 15.03.2018.

17. During the month, sanction for prosecution for filing the charge sheet against 23 accused persons was accorded under the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1967 for carrying out anti-national activities.

18. The President of India has given his assent to one Bill namely the Bihar State Water and Sewage Board (Repeal) Bill, 2017 during the month of March, 2018.

19. The budgetary provision for the financial year 2017-18 in Revised Estimate is Rs. 452.10 crore for Modernization of Police Forces (MPF) Scheme. Out of Rs. 452.10 crore total Rs. 451.75 + 62 crore for Spl Projects/programmes under new scheme amounting to a total of Rs. 513.75 crore was released to the States up to March, 2018.

20. Crime and Criminal Tracking Network and Systems (CCTNS) Software was deployed at 15500 Police Stations i.e. 99.32% out of 15605 Police Stations covered across the country. Also, all States/UTs have launched their State Citizen Centric Portals.

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