

Ministry of Home Affairs- Major Achievements, significant Developments and important events for the month of August, 2016

7th Meeting of SAARC Secretaries of Interior/Home and 7th Meeting of SAARC Immigration Authorities was held in Islamabad, Pakistan from 2-4 August, 2016. The Government of India delegation was led by Hon'ble Home Minister.

2. A meeting on counter terrorism and countering cross border movement of terrorism was attended by MOS (R) on 10th August, 2016 at Bali, Indonesia.
3. On 27.08.2016 Union Home Secretary held a meeting on Perception Management relating to left Wing Extremism. Meetings were also held during the month at the level of Additional Secretary (LWE) on 12.08.2016 and 23.08.2016 through Video Conference to review the schemes implemented in 35 LWE affected districts and distribution of title deeds under Forest Rights Act in LWE affected States.
4. During the month of August, 06 advisories were issued to the State Governments/ CAPFs to sensitize them to counter the LWE activities in LWE affected areas.
5. A sum of Rs.1 crore was released as one time welfare grant to CRPF on 23.08.2016 for providing financial assistance to the injured CRPF personnel due to stone pelting in J&K.
6. 213 Coys of CAPFs were deployed in various States (J&K, Karnataka, Arunachal Pradesh, Bihar, Punjab, Tripura, Meghalaya) for law and order duties.
7. 24 Coys and 02 Platoon of CAPFs were deployed in various States (UP, Telangana, Delhi, Gujarat, Andhra Pradesh) for law and order duties as well as festivals.
8. 950 Medals under President's Police Medal for Gallantry/ Police Medal for Gallantry/ Distinguished Service / Meritorious Service were awarded to the police personnel of States/UTs/CAPFs on the occasion of Independence Day – 2016.
9. The quarterly targets for border infrastructure works along Indo-Pak border (IPB) were reviewed with the objective to complete all pending works by March, 2018, in the 5th Steering committee meeting on Indo Pak Border held on 3.8.2016 under the Chairmanship of Secretary (BM) . Another meeting was held on 12.8.2016 to review the issues related to management of Indo Bangladesh Border.
10. The following Governors were appointed by the President under Article 155 of the Constitution:
 - (i) Shri Banwarilal Purohit as the Governor of Assam,
 - (ii) Dr. Najma A. Heptulla as the Governor of Manipur and
 - (iii) Shri V.P. Singh Badnore as the Governor of Punjab.

11. The pension of freedom fighter pensioners has been enhanced by about 20% w.e.f. 15.08.2016. It has also been decided that Dearness Allowance/Dearness Relief system applicable to Central Government employees twice a year shall apply to freedom fighter pensioners.

12. The Enemy Property (Amendment and Validation) Fourth Ordinance, 2016 dated 28.08.2016 as per the report of the Select Committee of Rajya Sabha has been promulgated on 28.08.2016 to give continuous effect to the earlier ordinances on the subject.

13. A total amount of Rs. 48.94 Crore was released to three states i.e. Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu and Nagaland in respect of MPF scheme till August, 2016. The meetings of High Powered Committee (HPC) to consider and approve the State Action Plan proposals of States of Haryana, Meghalaya, Madhya Pradesh, Goa, Gujarat, Jammu & Kashmir, Assam, Tripura and Arunachal Pradesh were held during the month.

14. Out of Budgetary provision, the budget estimate for the financial year 2016-17 for CCTNS is Rs. 250 crore under the plan head an amount of Rs. 49.65 crore were released to the States i.e. Punjab, Odisha, Uttar Pradesh, Jammu and Kashmir, NCRB, Mizoram.

15. Biometric Enrollment Software facility has been operationalized at 79 Indian Missions abroad and in total C-Visa has been implemented in 163 Indian Missions.

16. During the month sanction for prosecution for filing charge sheets against 6 accused persons was accorded under the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1967 in cases relating to terrorist and anti-national activities, murder, seizure of Fake Indian Currency Notes in various parts of the country.

17. National Institute of Disaster Management (Southern Campus) has started functioning from a rented premises at Vijayawada, Andhra Pradesh. The first activity took place on 17.08.2016 with the holding of its one-day Orientation Programme on "Capacity Building for Disaster Resilience at local level".

18. The Hon'ble President assented to three State Bills namely, the Payment of Wages (Haryana Amendment) Bill, 2016, the Right to Fair Compensation and Transparency in Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Settlement (Gujarat Amendment) Bill, 2016 and the Code of Criminal Procedure (Maharashtra Amendment) Bill, 2015 during the month.

19. Under ACC Vacancy Monitoring System (AVMS), Divisions are taking necessary action for updating the status relating to ACC posts.

20. The capture of biometrics for creation of National Population Register, using UIDAI (Unique Identification Authority of India) enrolment software, has been done for 20.49 crore persons (5 year +) out of total targeted population of 20.72 crore spread over ten NPR States/UTs.
