



INDIAN ARMY COMMEMORATES INFANTRY DAY - 79TH SHAURYA DIWAS

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The Indian Army today commemorated **Infantry Day**, also known as **Shaurya Diwas**, with a solemn **Wreath Laying Ceremony** at the **National War Memorial**, New Delhi, paying tribute to the valour, sacrifice and indomitable spirit of the Infantry.

General Upendra Dwivedi, Chief of the Army Staff, laid a wreath at the **Amar Chakra** of the National War Memorial, honouring the courage and supreme sacrifice of Infantry soldiers, who laid down their lives in the service of the Nation. The ceremony was attended by senior Army officers, serving personnel, veterans and families of the Bravehearts.

Three decorated war veterans, **Major Ashish Sonal, Vir Chakra (Retired)**, a veteran of **Operation PAWAN (1990)**; **Subedar Major & Honorary Captain Kunwar Singh, Vir Chakra (Retired)**, who took part in **Operation MEGHDOOT (1989)**; and **Lance Naik Amrit, Vir Chakra (Retired)**, a participant of **Operation CACTUS LILY (1971)**, also laid wreaths on behalf of Infantry veterans, reaffirming the enduring legacy of gallantry and selfless service.

As part of the nationwide celebrations, several events were organised to mark this historic occasion. These included the **Field Marshal KM Cariappa Memorial Seminar** at Lucknow, the **Shauryaveer Run** and the **Felicitation of Veer Naris** at Delhi Cantonment. An '**Infantry Magazine**' highlighting the Infantry's multi-dimensional capability development and chronicling heroic sagas was also released on the sidelines of the event.

Observed on **27 October every year**, Infantry Day holds a **special place in the Nation's history**. On this day in **1947**, Infantrymen of the Indian Army were the **first troops to land at Srinagar airport**. The subsequent operations by these troops are an act of extraordinary courage that repelled the Pakistan-backed tribal invasion and safeguarded India's territorial integrity. The occasion stands as a lasting reminder of the Infantry's steadfast dedication and unmatched valour in defending the Nation's sovereignty.



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