



The Black Dungarees

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From The Director General's Desk



It once again gives me immense pleasure to reach out to all our patrons with the third edition of "The Black Dungarees", bringing to you news of our steady strides towards the collective vision of professionalism par excellence. Our endeavours for moulding the force as per the changing times & its

dynamics are beginning to bear fruit in various fields of training, technology, operational capability & human resource development. The quarter began with the stupendous success of the "17th International NSG Seminar" for which I must place on record my appreciation for my entire team. We have moved with great purpose in our efforts to improve internal & external synergy, while striving to align our training & operational philosophies with modern percepts the world over. Our technological outreach is constantly strengthening our commandos with state of the art acquisitions. In all this, our focus also remains firmly in investing in our fraternity's "Happiness Index" through improvement in their overall quality of life.

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The 17th International NSG Seminar

Participation of 30 foreign delegates from 12 countries, scores of Indian delegates from our 23 States & Union Territories for "The 17th International NSG Seminar" on "Synergizing the National & International Special Forces to Meet Challenges of Terrorism & IED" was indicative of the superlative success of the event. Addresses by Col Rajyavardhan Rathore, AVSM (Retd), Hon'ble MoS for Information & Broadcasting, Government of India; Shri MJ Akbar, Hon'ble MoS for External Affairs, Government of India & Shri Rajiv Jain, Director IB, along with the sheer presence of Shri Rajiv Pratap Rudy, Hon'ble Union Minister of Skill

Development and Entrepreneurship (Independent Charge), Government of India & Gen Bipin Rawat, UYSM, AVSM, YSM, SM, VSM, Chief of Army Staff were testimony enough to the importance accorded by the environment to the fresh initiative. The seminar, spread over two days on 08 & 09 Feb 2017, saw some of the most prominent & leading names in counter terrorism descend on the facilitating platform to share their vision for the fight against the global scourge. The inauguration of Niranjan Auditorium, release of the much awaited "Bombshell Magazine" and the flawless execution of the choc-a-bloc programme were the other

highlights of the Seminar. The far reaching ramifications of the proposals discussed are being analysed at the NSG & will be highlighted at the appropriate levels for deriving maximum benefits.



17th INTERNATIONAL NSG SEMINAR



THOUSANDS OF WORDS IN PICTURES

March Towards Being Scholar Warriors

The “Scholar Warriors” have walked steadily on the knowledge path in the company of several domain experts. The monthly “Sudarshan Lecture Series” continued to draw eminent speakers to share their wisdom on a wide variety of topics. The NSG officers have been benefitting from active participation in various security related seminars at IDSA, India Foundation, USI, CLAWS etc. NSG was privileged to host the following:-



DIFFERENT STROKES

- **Shri Brij Bakshi, Former ADG, Doordarshan- The Constructive Role of Media in Fighting Terrorism.**
- **Col Vivek Chadha (Retd), IDSA- Fidayeen Attacks.**
- **Shri K Rajendra Kumar, IPS, (Retd) Ex DGP J&K - Kashmir Through the Looking Glass.**



CRYSTAL GAZING ON KASHMIR

Winds of Change

The **modernisation drive** has received a major fillip in the recent months with critical equipment being procured under fast track procedures by HQ NSG, The impetus provided has seen induction of **critical items like drones, combat robots, radars, night vision devices, surveillance devices, counter IED equipment & other tactical**



THE BEAST - FOR THE BEST

gear for commandos which has led to exponential increase in their operational efficiency.

In staying with the times, a high powered committee had been formed to have a **de-novo** look at the training curriculum for commandos induction course. Doyens of training strategy, **Maj Gen Dalvir Singh, AVSM, VrC, VSM (Retd), Shri JN Choudhary, IPS(Retd), Ex DG NSG, Shri SS Chaturvedi, IPS, ADGP, Tripura (Ex SPG) & Lt Gen GS Katoch, PVSM, AVSM, VSM (Retd) , Director CATS** have deliberated threadbare the issues to put forth proposals to enhance training thresholds.

In line with DGs vision of developing a unified entity, the induction training of Army & CAPF personnel was run as a **Combined Conversion Courses 1 & 2 with tangible benefits.** The DG addressed the successful commandos on the verge of donning the Black Cat Dungarees & sought their views for a first hand feedback.



COME! SHARE MY VISION

THE NERVE CENTRE- HQ NSG

Recent Rumbles



Shri Shalin, IPS, as DIG, NSG



Col Navin Sahrawat, To Higher Command Course



Col Ashish Hooda, SM, To Higher Defence Management Course

THE OPERATIONS CENTRE - FORCE HQ



SHARING A TRICK OR TWO

The Black Cats continued to showcase their mettle by undertaking various challenges at national & international levels. They honed their skills for **protecting national strategic infrastructure**, exercised with a unit of US SOCPAC and participated in the 9th Annual Warrior Competition at Amman, Jordan, standing a creditable 5th out of 31 nations. 12 security related agencies collaborated to have a first ever comprehensive joint exercise at Jamnagar which was conducted in a hazardous chemical environment with a coastal security dimension and hostage situation incorporated into it.



SEA TO SAND DUNES

IN QUEST FOR EXCELLENCE-NICT

The National Institute of Counter Terrorism continued to see frenetic training activities with courses, visits, seminars & joint training.

Flagship Courses. Training of SATG & SRTG was merged to successfully conclude **Combined Conversion Course -1 & 2**, with **induction of 562 commandos**, having toiled through 12 weeks of extreme winter & summer. **151 Police Commandos** were also trained to be trainers in their respective states.



BLACK CATS!! HERE WE COME

The **Police Training Group (PTG)** conducted joint training with Odisha, Haryana, Gujarat & Telangana State Police Forces to strengthen synergy with first responders.



DAUNTING CHALLENGES IN THE MAZE

In another sterling initiative, The NBDC conducted a three weeks C-IED capsule for **Bangladesh Army personnel**. 10 Offrs, 02 ACs & 18 Rangers went back supremely confident of tackling the menace.



HOBNOBBING WITH THE BEST

VISITS

Our global outreach continued with renewed vigour with visits from the Belgian Ambassador and the British Defence Secretary. Our own ambassadors in Black Dungarees hobnobbed with the Canadians and the French GIGN to take our cooperation forward.



Hmmm! YOU'VE GONE PLACES!!

A batch of young IAS probationers was in for a lifetime experience when they visited the NSG. They certainly had a lot to pick and take home from the eye opener.



IEDs!!!SEE YOU SOON IN DISTRICTS

COMPETITIVE INSTINCTS



PISTOL TROPHY- SHOOTING FROM HIP

The Black Cats put up sterling performances in a very short duration during their maiden forays into the prestigious AIPDM Firing Competition and the AIPCC Commando Competition bagging several awards and trophies.



THE OOMPH FACTOR

INFRASTRUCTURE

The 400 seater **Niranjan Auditorium** was inaugurated on the sidelines of the 17th International NSG Seminar. Col Rajyavardhan Rathore, AVSM (Retd), Hon'ble MoS for Information & Broadcasting, Government of India, did the honours alongwith the proud parents of Lt Col E Niranjan, in a sombre ceremony as a befitting tribute to the NSG's valiant martyr of Pathankot Ops. They also unveiled his bust as a mark of remembrance.



FROM A GRATEFUL NATION

Two advanced virtual class rooms at Palam & Manesar have virtually joined the various arms of the NSG with each other seamlessly.



GOING PLACES-CONNECTING PEOPLE

FROM THE SPORTING FIELDS

The Hoopsters were in action in Feb where the commando toughening had ensured that stamina, agility & aggression were never in short supply. Talent was more than made up by the indefatigable sprit. It finally boiled down to 51 & 52 SAGs to slug it out, where **52 SAG prevailed**, lifting the trophy.



HOOP...HOOP...HOORRAH!!!

The NSG Cricket League, with its huge popularity, deserves credit for **laying foundation for the IPL-10 season!** The cricket crazy campus saw some exciting matches with a thrilling finale where **11 SRG beat 12 SRG** to lift the coveted trophy.



IPL BECKONS...

The golfing greens have been improving by leaps & bounds, enticing more & more amateurs into picking up the clubs. The challenge during MMRs is becoming tougher with associate club members' frequent foray on the course.

NWYA - MAKING A DIFFERENCE

Perna, an ideal platform for our differently abled children is all set to metamorphose into a major centre for early intervention, community based rehabilitation



STRATEGISING FOR POSTERITY

and therapy centre with latest technologies. The Station HQ has facilitated the children through various programmes including interaction with field experts like Mrs Sunanda Reddy, Mrs Gauri Diwan and team from the Institute of Physically Handicapped.



LENDING A HELPING HAND

The station's Nari Shakti was on full display during the International Women's Day



THE INDOMITABLES

The spiritual well being of the force is upper most in the our minds. Sessions with the Brahmakumaris, Vipassana Institute and the Yoga experts are steps in that direction.



SALVATION! CAN WE REALLY ACHIEVE THAT!

Focussed on harnessing & improving the technical threshold of the Commandos & their families, concerted efforts were made & an MOU signed with the Skill Development and Entrepreneurship Ministry with the blessings of the Hon'ble Minister.



LET'S "SKILL INDIA" TOGETHER