New Delhi- (18 September, 2017) – In the changing geo-political scenario to fulfil long-term objective, Government of India has approved creation of 650 combatised posts for the intelligence set-up of Sashastra Seema Bal. Today on 18.09.17 Hon’ble Union Home Minister Sh. Rajnath Singh inaugurated the intelligence set-up of SSB. Besides, he also launched “WARB” mobile application and also inaugurated “SANRAKSHAN” scheme for wards of SSB martyrs in a function organised at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi. Hon’ble Minister of State (Home) Sh. Hansraj Gangaram Ahir, Shri Rajiv Jain, IPS, Director, Intelligence Bureau had also graced the occasion. Director Generals of CRPF, ITBP, CISF, NSG, NDRF and ADG BSF were also present during the function apart from this senior officers from various CAPFs, CPO’s/Govt organisation in addition to it more than thousand personnel from various CAPF & Assam Rifle including retired personnel were also present during the function.

In her welcome address, Smt. Archana Ramsundaram, Director General SSB thanked Hon’ble Home Minister for sparing time for this function and also thanked other dignitaries who had spared their time for inauguration of intelligence set-up of SSB, launching of “WARB” mobile application and inauguration of “SANRAKSHAN” scheme for wards of SSB martyrs. She told that SSB has been mandated with the responsibility of guarding the Indo- Nepal and Indo-Bhutan borders where there are no restrictions on the movement of people on either side. The border population on both sides have strong regional, cultural
and economic ties. A dedicated Intelligence set-up was felt necessary for carrying on the mandate of SSB on both these border being open, to prevent criminals and smugglers from taking advantage. MHA has accordingly sanctioned 650 posts in various ranks for field formation from Bn Hqrs to Force Headquarters.

Mobile App named “WARB” contains various useful features to facilitate retired CAPFs and Assam Rifles personnel to get their genuine grievances redressed, seek skill development training through National Skill Development Corporation under “Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojna, re-employment and other relevant and important information.

SSB’s Women Welfare Association “SANDIKSHA” has taken up the task to help out children of martyrs of SSB by starting “SANRAKSHAN” scheme which includes extending financial assistance as well as their other needs.

In his address, Hon’ble Home Minister said that general perception is that fenced bordes are difficult and tough to manage but in his opinion, Nepal and Bhutan borders which are open and porus are tougher as it is difficult to identify anti-national elements like fake currency racketeers, smugglers etc among general population. He also said that the sense of nationalism is inborn and it cannot be purchased from any market. He also said that the Hon’ble Prime Minister of India has desired in the last conference of DGs and IsG to start a Martyrs e-book. He expressed his happiness on the launch of hard copy of the SSB Martyrs book. He appreciated the DG, SSB and the Force for their exemplary work. He also cautioned the Force personnel to exercise restraint in use of social media and always check the authenticity of content before forwarding to anyone. The financial compensation to the families of Martyrs since last year has now increased to Rupees One crore and he assured that the Government will soon take innovative methods take care of
other pertinent requirements of Martyrs families. He also exhorted that every officer of CAPF to adopt and look after one Martyrs’ family each.

He appreciated SSB Wives Welfare Association “Sandiksha” for taking up the task to help out children of SSB Martyrs and he also commended the endeavour to provide financial assistance to 28 children of 18 SSB Martyrs. He concluded his address with happiness for the progress of SSB under the efficient leadership of Smt Archana Ramasundaram, DG SSB.

Hon’ble Minister of State(Home) Sh. Hansram Gangaram Ahir in his address conveyed his best wishes for operationalisation of new Int. Set-up of SSB. He praised DG SSB for her concerns for looking after the welfare of the retired persons and families of the martyrs by launching “WARB App” and “SANRAKSHAN” scheme.

Sh. Rajiv Jain, IPS, Director IB congratulated SSB for getting the new Int. Set-up and welcomed the Int set-up of SSB in the Int fraternity of the nation.

Vote of thanks was given by Sh. S.S. Deswal, Additional Director General, Sashastra Seema Bal.

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