PRESS RELEASE

New Delhi, 17th December, 2016 - Sashastra Seema Bal (SSB), a Central Armed Police Force of the Union of India, deployed on Indo-Nepal and Indo-Bhutan Border is completing its 53rd Years of the service of the Nation. As a prelude to its Anniversary Day, Smt. Archana Ramasundaram, IPS, Director General SSB in her Annual press conference stated about the steps taken by SSB in border management and challenges to manage the friendly borders of the country.

Prior to her interaction with media personnel Shri Deepak Kumar, Inspector General (Ops and Int.) explained the achievements and activities of SSB and the situation of border areas.

In her interaction with media Smt. Archana Ramasundaram, Director General, SSB stated that, Human Trafficking has been a big concern for SSB. Force is laying special emphasis to curb & check human Trafficking on Indo-Nepal & Indo-Bhutan border. During the year SSB rescued 503 victims of Human Trafficking and arrested 147 Human Traffickers. She further stated that, SSB Battalions deployed in J&K are doing commendable job in law & order duties. Recently one of our troop of 59th Bn was attacked by militants while they were returning back to their coy headquarters. Our Jawans retaliated bravely. In this ambush we have lost one brave Jawan (Late) Shri Ghanshyam Gurjar and injured 8 others. The zeal & moral of the deployed units is very high, Our Jawans are firmly abiding by their duties.

Repeating to the question, She said, in 2008-09 SSB recruited Seven coys 07 women personnel and became first Border Guarding Force, as on date 1019 combatised women personnel are working in the force. This year SSB has started the process of the recruitment of more women personnel, MHA has approved recruitment of more Women personnel.
Speaking about the effect of demonetization on Indo-Nepal border she said that as such there was no problem faced by the Jawans deployed on the border. However Shri Deepak Kumar, IG(Ops & Int.) said that SSB has seized Rs.55 Lakhs old currency after demonetization.

SSB now communicating directly with the people through social medias like Twitter, Facebook and also available with its own website i.e. www.ssb.nic.in.

She said that, SSB work not only for Security of the border and border population but also for the people in the areas affected with left wing extremism and counter insurgency. SSB also taken several initiatives to implement the flag ship schemes of the Central Government for instance under Jan-Dhan Yojana, we have facilitated banks in opening 3,69,821 accounts of the poor people, 309 schools have been adopted for construction of toilets under Swachh Bharat Abhiyan and conducting various income generating trainings specially for the girls & women under Beti Bacho-Beti Padhao Programme.

She told that this year 145 girls in 8 groups from interior villages of J&K, Chhattisgarh, Uttarakhand, UP, Bihar, Assam, Arunachal Pradesh and Sikkim are reaching Delhi on their study tour and will be our honoured guest during 53rd Anniversary Celebrations. They will also meet His Excellency President of India on 21-12-16 in At home function of SSB at Talkatora Stadium.

Prior to her press conference, a ceremonial DG Parade function was held at the parade ground where 78 official of SSB was awarded with Director General’s Disc.

On this occasion DG SSB has released SSB’s Calender and Diary of 2017 for the use of the force.

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