

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

Hon'ble Home Minister called on Sheikh Abdullah bin Naseer bin Khalifa Al Thani, Hon'ble Prime Minister and Minister of Interior of the State of Qatar on 3.12.2016.

2. The 18th Home Secretary Level Talks between India and Bangladesh were held on 5th – 6th December, 2016. During the meeting, the two sides discussed working of institutional arrangements, security related issues, cooperation in prevention of illegal activities along the borders, border management issues.
3. The whole State of Nagaland has been declared as "Disturbed Area" under the Armed Forces (Special Powers) Act, 1958 for a period of six months w.e.f. 30.12.2016.
4. 22nd Sectoral Level Meeting between India and Myanmar was held on 19th – 20th December, 2016 in Myanmar. In the meeting, various issues such as security and border management, activities of insurgent groups along the international border, arms smuggling, exchange of intelligence information, cooperation in prevention of drug trafficking, smuggling of wildlife articles, constructions in boundary areas, consular issues including prisoners in jails of the other country and capacity building programmes for Myanmar Police, narcotics, Wildlife crime Control and for disaster mitigation etc. were discussed.
5. A meeting was held under the chairmanship of Special Secretary (IS), MHA on 26.12.2016 to discuss imparting skill development training to youth of Bru-Reang community.
6. Government has approved raising of 5 additional Indian Reserve Bns for the Western Sector States [Gujarat : 02, Punjab 02 and Rajasthan: 01]. Maximum reimbursement by Government of India per IRB will be Rs.51.19 crore. Order in this regard has been issued on 6.12.2016.
7. 165 Coys of CAPFs were deployed in various States (Arunachal Pradesh, Manipur, Uttar Pradesh, Delhi, Gujarat, Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh, Telangana & Tamil Nadu) for Law and Order duties as well as various festivals.
8. The Law and order situation in J&K was reviewed and 34 Coys of CAPFs had been withdrawn from deployment in phases.
9. Sanction vide order dated 9.12.2016 has been issued for creation of 299 posts in CISF (Unit: Bangalore International Airport).
10. The Enemy Property (Amendment and Validation) Act, Fifth Ordinance, 2016 dated 22.12.2016 has been promulgated to give continuous effect to the earlier ordinances on the subject.
11. The Department –related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Home Affairs (Border Security: Capacity Building and Institutions) was held on 7th December, 2016.
12. During the month sanction for prosecution for filing charge sheets against 10 accused persons was accorded under the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1967 in

cases relating to terrorist and anti-national activities.

13. Meetings were held during the month at the level of Additional Secretary (LWE) to review the progress of various schemes being implemented by the Ministries of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare & Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation in LWE affected States. Meetings were also held to discuss the LWE scenario in the tri-junction of Karnataka, Kerala and Tamil Nadu (KKT).

14. During the month, 04 advisories were issued to the State Governments/ CAPFs to sensitize them to counter the LWE activities in the LWE affected areas.

15. A total amount of Rs. 64.98 crore was released to the states in respect of Modernization of Police Forces scheme in December, 2016.

16. An amount of Rs.33.2 lakhs was sanctioned for Authorization Provisioning & Expenditure for Central Armed Police Forces (CAPFs) for provision and procurement of different items.

17. The Hon'ble President assented to two State Bills namely, the Court Fees (Jharkhand Amendment) Bill, 2016 and the Contract Labour (Maharashtra Amendment) Bill, 2016 during the month.

18. Government has vide order dated 29.12.2016 liberalized, simplified and rationalized the visa regime in India. This will facilitate legitimate foreign travelers leading to stimulation of economic growth, increase in earnings from export of services like tourism, medical value travel and travel on account of business and make 'Skill India', 'Digital India', 'Make in India' and other such flagship initiatives of the Government successful.

19. Order regarding delegation of powers of District Collectors of 16 Districts of 7 States for processing and grant of Citizenship and to State Governments for remaining Districts for a period of 2 years and a notification reducing the amount of application/processing fees and delegating powers to the SDMs in the absence of DMs to accept the Oath of Allegiance furnished by the applicant, have been notified in the Official Gazette on 23.12.2016.

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

21. The Scheme of updation of National Population Register (NPR) is under progress in States/UTs. The field work for seeding of Aadhaar number in NPR database has been completed. The data entry of corrections/modifications has started in 23 States and 5 UTs and the same is under progress. The work has been completed in A & N Islands, Lakshadweep, Daman & Diu, D&N Haveli, Sikkim and Gujarat.

22. Out of 600 Mother Tongues, field work in respect of 4 Mother Tongues has been completed in December, 2016, amounting to a total of 546.
