

Ministry of Home Affairs-Major Achievements, significant Development and important events for the month of February, 2022.

4th India-UK Home Affairs Dialogue was held on 10th February, 2022 in virtual mode. The Government of India delegation was led by Union Home Secretary and UK delegation was led by Mr. Matthew Rycroft, Permanent Secretary, Home Office. The Dialogue covered a wide range of issues including cyber security, extradition cases, migration, etc. UK authorities were impressed upon for the need to expedite the process of extradition.

2. Union Home Secretary held a meeting with the Ambassador of France on 18.02.2022. Issues of mutual concern were discussed.

3. A total of 708 Underground Cadres of United Gorkha People Organisation (UGPO-169), Tiwa Liberation Army (TLA-77), Rabha National Liberation Front (RNLF-28), Adivasi Dragon Fighter (ADF-61), United People's Revolutionary Front (UPRF-29), National Liberation Front of Bengali (NLFB-303) and National Santhal Liberation Army (NSLA-41) surrendered at Guwahati (Assam) along with huge quantity of arms and ammunition.

4. A PCC meeting was held on 22.02.2022 through VC under the Chairmanship of Additional Secretary (LWE) to review the progress of implementation and submission of claims under Special Infrastructure Scheme (SIS) including construction of 250 Fortified Police Stations (FPS) with CCA(Home) and Nodal Officers of LWE affected States.

5. A VC meeting was held on 10.02.2022 under AS (LWE) regarding Joint Task Force Camp at Pusuguppa under Assistance to Central Agencies for LWE Management (ACALWEM) Scheme with CRPF & Telangana Police.

6. A meeting of the Empowered Committee was held on 23.02.2022 under AS(LWE) to review the progress of Important schemes in LWE affected areas with DG(Media)-MHA, AD(IB)-MHA, DDG(Sales)-Prasar Bharati, DDG(Ops)-Prasar Bharati, DDG(Planning)-AIR and AD(Policy)-AIR.

7. Rs.2,00,00,000/- was released to Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) under Assistance to Central Agencies for LWE Management (ACALWEM) Scheme. Rs.12,34,78,241/- released to Government of Bihar as reimbursement of claims under Special Infrastructure Scheme (SIS) including construction of 250 Fortified Police Station (FPS).

8. During the month of February, 2022 sanction for prosecution for filing the charge sheet against 03 accused persons was accorded in accordance with section 45(1) of the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1967.

9. On 17.02.2022, a meeting of Dispute Resolution Sub-Committee was held under Joint Secretary (CS) with the representatives of Andhra Pradesh and Telangana to carry out the preparatory work and recommend practical ways to resolve the bilateral issues arising out of the Andhra Pradesh Reorganization Act, 2014.

10. Rs.26.56 crore has been sanctioned for acquisition of land measuring 70 acres for establishment of Bn HQrs at Barma under Frontier HQ SSB, Guwahati.

11. 21 Coys of CAPFs as direct induction have been ordered for deployment in various States viz. Bihar, Karnataka, Chandigarh, Telangana and Gujarat for law and order duties for a specific deployment period. Further a total 470 Coys of CAPFs (CRPF-78, BSF-84, SSB-73, ITBP-64, SAPs-137 & CISF-34) as direct induction have been ordered to deploy in various States for election related duties during Assembly Election 2022 in 3 States of Manipur, Punjab & Uttar Pradesh.

12. During the month, various provisioning/authorization sanctions have been accorded to CAPFs for procurement of equipment/BR Jackets etc. which inter-alia includes the following:

- (i) Procurement of 878 Nos. Hand Held Thermal Images (HHTIs) to various border guarding battalions of BSF & Kartarpur Corridor Project for an estimated financial implication of Rs.73,28,92,846/-;
- (ii) Procurement of 250 KVA diesel Generator set for 100 bedded Covid Care Center at Group Center, CRPF for total cost of Rs. 18,12,999/-;
- (iii) Procurement of 3180 Nos. BR Jackets and BR Helmets on augmentation of CISF strength at Delhi Metro, GBS and SSG Bn. for an estimated financial implication of Rs. 16,51,81,920/;

13. The meeting of Standing Committee on GeM (SCoGeM) of MHA was held under AS&FA with all CAPFs, CPOs and other organizations of MHA on 16.02.2022 to review the status of procurement of stores/services through GeM.

14. During the month, total 33959 Overseas Citizens of India (OCI) cards were issued. 1207 OCI cards were issued in lieu of PIO cards and 381 OCI cards issued in spouse based cases.

15. During the month, 212 Long Term Visa (LTV) applications from Pak nationals have been granted by this Ministry.

16. 6 Pakistani fishermen have been repatriated to Pakistan from India in the month of February, 2022.

17. During the month, FCRA registrations of 3 associations were suspended.

18. The Registration (Assam Amendment) Bill, 2021 and The Odisha Maritime Board Bill, 2020 have been assented to by the Hon'ble President of India on 15.02.2022 and 18.02.2022 respectively.

19. The name of village "Undri", Tal-Chikhali, District - Buldhana in Maharashtra has been changed as "Udaynagar".

20. On 25.2.2022, order under section 10(2) (1) of the Disaster Management Act, 2005, was issued directing the State/UT Governments and State/UT Authorities to implement a risk assessment based approach on the opening of economic activities, as conveyed vide aforesaid MoHFW advisory, dated 18th February, 2022. It was further directed that the National Directives for COVID-19 Management, in regard to Face covering, maintaining Social distancing, Spitting in public places, hand hygiene & Ventilation in closed spaces shall continue to be followed throughout the country. Thereafter, Union Home Secretary had written letter to all Chief Secretaries and Administrators of States/ UTs to ensure compliance with MoHFW advisory and enforcement of the COVID Appropriate Behaviour.
