Major activities of Department of Defence for the month of July, 2019

International Cooperation

(1) A delegation led by Commander-in-Chief (Air), Myanmar visited India from 2nd to 4th July, 2019.

(2) A delegation led by Maj Gen, Chief of Defence Force (CDF), Maldives National Defence Force visited India from 3rd to 8th July, 2019.

(3) A delegation led by Air Chief Marshal, Chief of Air Staff visited Russia on a goodwill visit from 9th to 12th July, 2019.

(4) A delegation led by Hon’ble Raksha Mantri visited Mozambique for bilateral Defence Minister’s meeting from 29th – 30th July, 2019. During the visit, two MoUs/Agreements on EEZ Surveillance and Sharing of White Shipping were signed with Mozambique.

Acquisition

(5) A contract for Project Upgradation (Obsolescence Management) of Samyukta Electronic Warfare Systems was signed with M/s Bharat Electronics Limited Hyderabad on 3rd July, 2019 at a total cost of Rs. 919.42 crore.

Hon’ble Raksha Mantri paid homage to martyrs at National War Memorial on Kargil Vijay Diwas

(6) Hon’ble Raksha Mantri paid homage to martyrs at National War Memorial (NWM) on 20th Anniversary of Kargil Vijay Diwas in New Delhi on 26th July, 2019. Hon’ble Raksha Rajya Mantri, Vice Chief of Army Staff Lieutenant General, Vice Chief of Naval Staff and Vice Chief of Air Staff also laid wreath at NWM.
Hon'ble Raksha Mantri inaugurated two bridges in Jammu & Kashmir

(7) Ushering in vast improvement in the connectivity of roads and bridges in border areas, Hon'ble Raksha Mantri inaugurated the one kilometre long Ujh bridge in Kathua district, 617.40 meter long Basantar bridge in Samba district of Jammu & Kashmir and dedicated them to the nation on 20th July, 2019.

Raksha Mantri Trophy given for Best and Second Best Command Hospital of Armed Forces Medical Services for 2018

(8) Hon'ble Raksha Mantri awarded Raksha Mantri Trophy for the Best and Second Best Command Hospitals of the Armed Forces Medical Services (AFMS) on 16th July, 2019 for the year 2018 to Command Hospital Air Force, Bengaluru and Command Hospital Central Command, Lucknow respectively.

Hon’ble Raksha Mantri reviewed production of AK 203 assault rifles

(9) Hon’ble Raksha Mantri reviewed operationalization of newly-dedicated joint venture Indo-Russian Rifles Private Limited at Korwa in Uttar Pradesh for production of AK 203 assault rifles in a high-level meeting in New Delhi on 16th July, 2019.

Miscellaneous

(10) Interceptor boat ICGS C-140 was decommissioned on 4th July, 2019.

(11) On 15th July, 2019, Defence Attaché Colombo intimated that one Indian Fishing Boat (IFB) along with 06 crew were apprehended by Sri Lanka Navy on 11th July, 2019 in West of Delft Island. The fishing boat along with crew was escorted to Karainagar harbour and handed over to AD Fisheries & Aquatic Resource (ADFAR), Jaffna for legal formalities.

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