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PRESIDENT'S SECRETARIAT

NOTIFICATION

New Delhi the 15th August, 2015

No. 103-Pres/2015-The President is pleased to approve the award of the "Kirti Chakra" to the under mentioned person for the acts of most conspicuous gallantry:-

1. <u>IC-61357M LIEUTENANT COLONEL NECTAR SANJENBAM, SHAURYA CHAKRA, 21ST BATTALION THE PARACHUTE REGIMENT (SPECIAL FORCES)</u>

(Effective date of the award: 08 June, 2015)

During a raid on 08 June in insurgent camp in Manipur, one manned sentry post was identified immediately by the team and the second sentry post was located at 0445 hours.

Lt Col Nectar tasked Havildar TK Limbu and Paratrooper S Chungleingam to neutralize both sentries at the first post whilst he along with Paratrooper P Deuri proceeded to neutralize the sentries at the second post. Moving stealthily, the officer approached the sentry post and in a daring operation, succeeded in eliminating both insurgents with his silenced Uzi. Observing movement in a bunker 30 meters from his position, he along with his buddy crawled towards the bunker and closed in undeterred. Hearing some talking sounds, unmindful of his personal safety, he lobbed a grenade and in yet another daring action entered the bunker, killing the four insurgents. He then ordered the fire assault with Rocket Launchers into the camp which lasted approximately 20 minutes with heavy volume of rockets and small arms fire by the insurgents from 10 to 12 other bunkers. Lt Col Nectar, thereafter, ensured the safe return of the raiding team.

Lt Col Nectar Sanjenbam, SC, displayed meticulous planning, exemplary gallantry, bold and daring action under most challenging conditions.

2. <u>JC-571195H NAIB SUBEDAR RAJESH KUMAR, THE MAHAR REGIMENT / 30TH BATTALION THE RASHTRIYA RIFLES (POSTHUMOUS)</u>

(Effective date of the award: 28 October, 2014)

During a Search and Destroy operation in Wadarbala Forest of Kupwara district of Jammu & Kashmir, contact with terrorists was established at 0600 hrs on 28th October 2014.

The JCO made a dash across the 75 degree slopes of Wadarbala Forest and blocked the Nala through which terrorists were escaping. The terrorists opened indiscriminate fire at close range. In a display of raw courage and utter disregard to his personal safety, he crawled forward directing his team to take cover and killed one terrorist. Balance of the terrorists holed up under a rock and could not be engaged by small arms fire. Determined to eliminate them, the JCO continued to close in. In a desperate attempt, balance of the two terrorists charged upon him. Inspite of his injury, he eliminated one more terrorist before making the supreme sacrifice.

Naib Subedar Rajesh Kumar displayed gallantry of the highest order in the presence of terrorists and made the supreme sacrifice while fighting with the terrorists.

(Suresh Yadav)
OSD to the President