

PRESIDENT'S SECRETARIAT

NOTIFICATION

New Delhi, 26th January, 2017

No. 23- Pres /2017 – The President is pleased to approve the award of the “**Kirti Chakra**” to the under mentioned persons for the acts of conspicuous gallantry:-

1. **5047749K LANCE HAVILDAR PREM BAHADUR RESMI MAGAR,
THIRD BATTALION OF THE FIRST GORKHA RIFLES
(POSTHUMOUS)**

{Effective date of the award: 16 June 2016}

Havildar Prem Bahadur Resmi Magar was part of Ghatak Platoon of 3/1 Gorkha Rifles, tracking infiltrating terrorists from 15 June 2016. At 0735 hours on 16 June 2016, four terrorists were observed and engaged by own troops at Tangdhar sector at Kupwara district of Jammu and Kashmir. Seeing that the terrorists under cover were threatening own troops, Lance Havildar Prem Bahadur displaying exemplary marksmanship killed two terrorists with his sniper rifle. The balance two terrorists further jumped down 100 meters and were engaged in a fierce fire fight by own troops. The NCO, who was unable to get a clear firing position, displaying exceptional courage, crawled ahead 50 meters to kill the third terrorist with his secondary weapon, MP-9. The fourth terrorist started running down wildly firing, thus threatening own stops. Lance Havildar Prem Bahadur realising the danger to own stops chased and killed the fourth terrorist with his MP-9. However, the terrorist sprayed a burst towards Lance Havildar Prem Bahadur who received a fatal gun shot wound. He was immediately evacuated but succumbed to his injuries enroute.

Havildar Prem Bahadur Resmi Magar displayed conspicuous bravery, indomitable courage, determination and made supreme sacrifice in fighting with the terrorists.

2. **IC-63798F MAJOR ROHIT SURI, THE PARACHUTE REGIMENT**

{Effective date of the award: 15 October 2016}

Major Rohit Suri was commissioned into the Parachute Regiment on 12 June 2004. He was the Mission leader of the team which was tasked to carry out operations against terrorist's hideouts in Jammu and Kashmir. After carrying out detailed recce of hideouts and analyzing the data available from the surveillance team he formulated the assault plan.

Major Rohit Suri was the Commander of the team, which closed in on the terrorist hideout. While the party was closing in to the hideout, the terrorists started speculative firing. Displaying nerves of steel and high degree of combat leadership, Major Rohit Suri directed all parties to lie low and await further orders.

After analyzing that the routine on the terrorist hideout was back to normal, the officer directed his team to close in and engage the terrorists in the open. Major Rohit Suri along with his buddy closed in up to 50 meter of the target and neutralized both the terrorists in the open. Once all the terrorists in the open were neutralized, Major Rohit Suri directed the strike team to move towards the jungle and directed the firebase to engage the components of the hideout. During the assault, movement of two terrorists was detected moving in the jungle towards North West of the hideout. Realizing threat to own squads, Major Rohit Suri displaying utter disregard to his personal safety and raw courage ran to intercept the terrorists and engaged them with his personal weapon. On seeing the terrorists taking position, the officer closed in and neutralized both the terrorists in a close quarter combat. By his decisive thinking, professional approach and courage beyond the call of duty, Major Rohit Suri ensured the execution of the task flawlessly with clockwork precision and eliminated four terrorists in close quarter combat.

Major Rohit Suri displayed warrior ethos, uncanny intelligence gathering skills, devotion beyond the call of duty, exemplary leadership, and conspicuous gallantry in elimination of four terrorists during flawless execution of the mission.


(A. Rai)

Officer on Special Duty