



59th Raising Day of the ITBP

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Why in News

The **Indo-Tibetan Border Police (ITBP)** celebrated its 59th Raising Day on 24th October 2020.

Key Points

- Indo-Tibetan Border Police Force (ITBPF) is a **Central Armed Police Force** functioning under the **Ministry of Home Affairs**, Government of India.
Other Central Armed Police Forces are: Assam Rifles (AR), Border Security Force (BSF), Central Industrial Security Force (CISF), Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF), National Security Guards (NSG) and Sashastra Seema Bal (SSB).
- The ITBP was **raised on 24th October, 1962 during the India-China War** and is a border guarding police force specializing in high altitude operations.
 - Presently, ITBP is **deployed on border guarding duties from Karakoram Pass in Ladakh to Jachep La in Arunachal Pradesh covering 3488 km of Indo-China Border.**
ITBP Border Out Posts are of the height upto 18,750 feet where the temperature dips down minus 40 degree Celsius.
 - The Force is also deployed for **Anti Naxal operations** and other **internal security duties**.
- ITBP was **initially raised under the Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) Act, 1949**. However, in 1992, parliament enacted the **ITBPF Act** and the rules were framed in 1994.

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