

## Padma Vibhushan to Mulayam Singh Yadav while even other Personalities of the State were Selected for Padma Shri | Uttar Pradesh | 27 Jan 2023

#### Why In News?

On January 25, 2023, the President announced the country's highest civilian awards 'Padma Awards' for the year 2023 on the eve of Republic Day. Of these, **Mulayam Singh Yadav from Uttar Pradesh has been selected for the Padma Vibhushan**, while seven other personalities from the state have been selected for the Padma Shri award.

#### **Key points**

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- The list includes 6 Padma Vibhushan, 9 Padma Bhushan and 91 Padma Shri awardees. The list of awardees includes 19 women and 2 persons from the category of Foreigners/NRI/PIO/OCI and 7 posthumous awardees.
- Samajwadi Party founder and former Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Mulayam Singh Yadav has been posthumously selected for the Padma Vibhushan award for exceptional and distinguished service in civil affairs.
- The seven personalities from Uttar Pradesh selected for the Padma Shri award are Radha Charan Gupta, Dilshad Hussain, Arvind Kumar, Manoranjan Sahu, Ritwik Sanyal, Vishwanath Prasad Tiwari and Uma Shankar Pandey.
- Radha Charan Gupta and Vishwanath Prasad Tiwari have been selected for Padma Shri award for distinguished service in the field of literature and education, Dilshad Hussain and Ritwik Sanyal in the field of art, Arvind Kumar in the field of science and engineering, Manoranjan Sahu in the field of medicine and Uma Shankar Pandey for distinguished service in the field of social work.
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# Three Personalities of Bihar Selected for Padma Shri | Bihar | 27 Jan 2023

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- The three personalities from Bihar selected for the Padma Shri award are Subhadra Devi, Anand Kumar and Kapil Dev Prasad.
- Subhadra Devi and Kapil Dev Prasad have been selected for the Padma Shri award for distinguished service in the field of art, while Anand Kumar has been selected for the Padma Shri award for distinguished service in the field of literature and education.
- Subhadra Devi of Madhubani is a Paper Massy artist. He brought this art to the people. At the same time, Kapildev Prasad of Nalanda has given an identity to Bawan Buti art, sarees made from this art are very much liked by him. Super 30 founder Anand Kumar has been a mathematician as well as editor of many national and international level journals.
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## President's Vishisht Seva Medal to Two Bihar Police Personnel and Meritorious Police Service Medal For 17 | Bihar | 27 Jan 2023

#### Why In News?

According to information received from the media on January 26, 2023, two personnel of Bihar Police have received The President's Distinguished Service Medal and 17 have received the Meritorious Police Service Medal. The Union Home Ministry has issued a notification in this regard.

- This is the third year in a row that no one has received the Police Gallantry Medal from here.
- The recipients of the Vishisht Seva Medal include Vinay Kumar Sharma, SDPO of Neemchak Bathani in Gaya district, and Inspector Vinay Krishna of the Economic Offences Unit (EOU).
- Apart from this, 17 personnel from IG to Havaldar have been awarded the Meritorious Police Service Medal. These include IG (Headquarters) Vinay Kumar and others.
- The list of recipients of this medal includes the largest number of CID and Dumraon-based BSAP

(Bihar Special Armed Police) personnel.

- These 17 received meritorious police service medals
  - Vinay Kumar, IG (Headquarters), Police Headquarters, Bihar
  - Alamnath Bhuiya, Havaldar, Kishanganj
  - Awadhesh Kumar Singh, Havaldar, B-SAP 4, Dumraon, Buxar
  - Akshay bar Nath Pandey, Constable, BSAP Headquarters, Patna
  - Sanjay Kumar Shekhar, ASI, ATS, Patna
  - Santosh Kumar Dixit, ASI, CID, Patna
  - Alok Kumar, Constable, SCRB, Patna
  - Devendra Kumar, ASI, CID, Patna
  - Dharamraj Sharma, Constable, Police Headquarters
  - Dhananjay Kumar, Constable 107, CID, Patna
  - Baijnath Kumar, Constable, Kishanganj
  - Sanjay Kumar, Constable 69, CID, Patna
  - Mukhtar Ali, Constable 217, CID, Patna
  - Boas Aind, Havaldar, BSAP 4, Dumraon, Buxar
  - Panchratna Prasad Gond, Havaldar, BSAP 4 Dumraon
  - Sikandar Kumar, Havaldar, BSAP 4, Dumraon
  - Satyendra Kumar, Havaldar, BSAP 4 Dumraon
- Vinay Kumar Sharma, who was awarded Vishisht Seva Medal, is currently posted as SDPO in Neemchak Bathani subdivision of Gaya district. He has been awarded this medal for his outstanding performance during his 28 years of service. Earlier, 2017the Meritorious Police Service Medal in 2018 and the Internal Security Medal in, the Bravery Award in 2019 for outstanding work in the field of Naxalism have been awarded.

## Four Personalities of the State Selected for Padma Shri Honor | Madhya Pradesh | 27 Jan 2023

#### Why In News?

On January 25, 2023, the country's highest civilian awards 'Padma Awards' for the year 2023 were announced on the eve of Republic Day. Of these, four personalities from Madhya Pradesh have been selected for the Padma Shri award.

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- The list includes 6 Padma Vibhushan, 9 Padma Bhushan and 91 Padma Shri awardees. The list of awardees includes 19 women and 2 persons from the category of Foreigners/NRI/PIO/OCI and 7 posthumous awardees.
- Among the four personalities from Madhya Pradesh selected for the Padma award, Smt. Jodhaiya Bai, Dr. Munishwar Chandawar and Shri Ramesh Parmar and Shrimati Shanti Parmar (jointly).
- Jabalpur's medicine specialist Dr. Munishwar Chandawar, who gave a new direction to human welfare by making an unshakable resolve to serve medicine, in the field of art, to Baiga tribal artist Jodhaiya Bai of Umaria and to provide international recognition by preserving tribal art., Jhabua's artists Ramesh Parmar and Shanti Parmar have been jointly selected for the Padma Shri award in the field of arts.
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- The four personalities from Rajasthan selected for the Padma award are Moolchand Lodha, Laxman Singh and Ahmed Hussain and Mohammad Hussain (jointly).
- Social worker Moolchand Lodha of Dungarpur and Laxman Singh of Lapodiya village of Jaipur have been selected for distinguished service in the field of social work, while Hussain Bandhu Ustad Ahmed Hussain and Ustad Mohammad Hussain have been jointly selected for Padma Shri award for distinguished service in the field of art.
- The Hussain brothers of Jaipur, known for their ghazal and qawwali singing, have also been awarded the Sangeet Natak Akademi Award in the year 2000.
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# Governor Inaugurates Republic Festival 'Lokrang' | Madhya Pradesh | 27 Jan 2023

#### Why In News?

On 26 January 2023, the Governor of Madhya Pradesh, Mangubhai Patel inaugurated the Republic Day festival 'Lokrang' on Republic Day. He honored the litterateurs with national honors in the festival and awarded the winners of the Republic Day celebrations.

- It is worth mentioning that Lokrang Utsav will be celebrated till January 30 at Ravindra Bhawan Complex, Bhopal.
- The theme 'Free and Nomadic' has been placed at the center of the folk color. The folk color will feature Ukraine, UK, states of the country along with performances of folk dances from 12 Egypt. A dance drama with a focus on the life of Kalbelia community of Rajasthan community was presented in Lokrang. It showcased the life tradition, culture of the Kalbelia community.
- The main attractions of the folk festival are 'Hunar', exhibition of artistic lamps, 'Book' of books on art and culture Fair, indigenous cuisine's wad' exhibition of on singing presentation, 'Lokraag' etc.
- On this occasion, Governor Mangubhai Patel and State Minister for Culture, Tourism, Religious Trust and Dharma Usha Thakur presented national awards to the litterateurs.
  - Rashtriya Kabir Samman 2021: Dr. Rajendra Prasad awarded for outstanding creative contribution in the field of Hindi. Shyam Sundar Dubey was honored.
  - Rashtriya Maithili Sharan Gupta Award for from the year 2021research writing and outstanding creative long contribution of Hindi literature. Sadanand Prasad Gupta was felicitated.
  - Rashtriya Sharad Joshi Award 2021 for relevant scholarly expression in the field of fine essay. Shri Ram was adorned with Parihar.
  - National Iqbal Award 2021 Syed Taqi Hasan Abidi was awarded to his representative in his absence.
  - National Nanaji Deshmukh Samman was given 2021to Tribal Welfare Center Mahakoshal, Bargaon Dindori for practical work being done keeping in mind basic and meaningful concerns in the field of social service from the year.
- Governor and Minister Usha Thakur launched the MP Culture App of the Culture Department. Information about the events of the culture department will be available in the MP Culture app. The live link of the program will also be available in the app. Along with this, information about various art forms of the state can also be obtained from the app.
- Governor Patel and Minister Usha Thakur felicitated the winners of the Republic Day parade, folk dances, cultural performances and tableaux with trophies and certificates.
  - The first place was secured by the Prison Department, the second place by the Tourism Department and the third place by the Forest Department.
  - In the category of troops, the first place was awarded to Hawk Force, second to Special Armed Forces and third place to STF Platoon.
  - In the civilian contingent category, the first place was awarded to ex-servicemen, second NCC air wing, third place jointly to Senior Division NCC Army Wing (Girls) and NCC Naval Wing.
  - Government New Higher Secondary School, Hema Higher Secondary School BHEL and Mansarovar Public School secured the first and third positions, respectively.
  - In the folk-dance cultural performances, Bhil Bhagoria tribal folk dance stood first, Korku Thatiya folk dance second and Gudum Baja folk dance got the third place.

# 33 New Women Police Stations and 239 Women Help Desks Established in the State | Haryana | 27 Jan 2023

#### Why In News?

On January 26, 2023, Haryana's Home and Health Minister Anil Vij told during the 74th Republic Day celebrations at the Police Line Complex in Ambala city of the state that 33 new women's police stations and 239 women's help centers have been set up in the state to deal with crimes against women. The desks have been set up.

#### **Key points**

- On this occasion, Home and Health Minister Anil Vij said that the state government is determined to increase the number of women police personnel in Haryana Police to 15 percent. In this series, to provide security to women, 24 companies of 'Durga Shakti Rapid Action Force' have been deployed for the security of school-college going girls and other women.
- He said that people should not face any problem in registering FIR, for this Zero FIR. The concept has been introduced. Now in any police station F.I.R. can be registered, irrespective of where the incident took place.
- The Home Minister informed that the Trakia bar-coding system has been commissioned at the Forensic Science Laboratory (FSL) at Police Complex, Madhuban in Karnal district. This system is fully computerized. Haryana is the first state in the country to use this type of system from the police station level to the forensic lab.
- He informed that Haryana Police has been awarded 5 times for sending passport verification before the stipulated time period.
- Anil Vij said that approval has been given to open five new police stations in Ambala range and one in Munak in Karnal district. In order to increase the sense of police security among the people and the police is with them at every step, the 112 vehicles have been added to the police fleet under 600 toll free number. Two vehicles have been provided in each police station.

# Chief Minister Announced Rs 90 crore for the Development of Tejli Stadium | Haryana | 27 Jan 2023

#### Why In News?

On January 26, 2023, Haryana Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar hoisted the national flag at Tejli Stadium in Jagadhri in Yamuna Nagar district on Republic Day and announced Rs 90 crore as a gift to the residents of the district for the development of Tejli Stadium.

- On this occasion, Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar informed that Tejli Stadium in Yamuna Nagar district will be developed modernly in 3 phases. Spread over 50 acres, this stadium will have all the facilities for indoor and outdoor games.
- He said that in the first phase, including judo infrastructure will be developed and facilities will be provided for indoor sports taekwondo, wrestling, boxing, lawn tennis, kabaddi, archery, rifle shooting etc.
- In the next phase, outdoor games will be developed, in which sports like hockey football, athletics, table tennis, volleyball, basketball, handball, badminton etc. will be developed.
- This work will be done by the Sports Department and will be completed in about 3 years.

# Haryana-Saskatchewan Academic Round Table Conference | Haryana | 27 Jan 2023

#### Why In News?

January 25, 2023, the According to the information given by the Haryana Information, Public Relations and Language Department on by the Foreign Cooperation Department in Panchkula district Haryana-Saskatchewan Educational RoundTable was organized of the state.

#### **Key points**

- The Haryana-Saskatchewan Educational Round table discussed the identification, facilitation, support, strengthening of strategic partnership between Haryana and Saskatchewan in the field of educational and skill development.
- Speaking on the occasion, Director General and Secretary, Department of Foreign Cooperation Anant Prakash Pandey said that the Haryana government is committed to strengthen cooperation with Saskatchewan in areas such as skill development, academic research, student and faculty research, curriculum development. To further strengthen these efforts, the expertise of Saskatchewan Polytechnic will be leveraged.

## The Chief Minister Made Several Announcements at the Birth Anniversary Celebrations of Deenbandhu Chhoturam. | Haryana | 27 Jan 2023

#### Why In News?

On January 25, 2023, Haryana Chief Minister Manohar Lal made several announcements at the birth anniversary celebrations of farmers' messiah Deenbandhu Sir Chhoturam organized at Jat Dharamshala in Kusrukshetra district of the state.

- On this occasion, Chief Minister Manohar Lal announced to increase the rate of sugarcane 10 to Rs by Rs 372. He also announced to increase the salary of patwaris from Rs 25,000 to Rs 32,100.
- He said that due to the hailstorm, there has been a lot of damage to the mustard crop, in such a situation, the crop will be repaired, and compensation will be given to the farmers.
- The Chief Minister also announced a grant of Rs 51 lakh for Jat Dharamshala. The land for the hostel to be built by Jat Dharamshala will be arranged through Kurukshetra Development Board or Haryana Urban Development Authority.
- He said that the Haryana government is running Sant Mahapurush Prachar Prasar Yojana, under which birth anniversaries of saints and great men are officially celebrated.
- to fix the land having problem of water logging in 1.5 lakh acres of land Chief Minister Mr. Manohar

Lal said that a budget of Rs. 1100 crore would be spent by next year of the state. This land will be made cultivable.

 The Chief Minister said that Deenbandhu Chhotu Ram, working on his ideals, competed with the British and made laws for the poor and farmers. He implemented a one-day holiday in markets, shops and factories. It was Deenbandhu Chhotu Ram who also pulled the debt-ridden farmers out of the clutches.

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- Bakshi Ram and Dr. Sukama Acharya are among the two personalities from Haryana selected for the Padma award.
- Dr. Sukama Acharya of Akupur village in Jhajjar district has been selected for the Padma Shri award for distinguished service in the field of spiritualism and Dr. Bakshi Ram, an agricultural scientist from Gurgaon, for distinguished service in the field of science and engineering.
- Agricultural scientist Bakshi Ram is known for developing sugarcane variety CO-0238.
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## Jharkhand's Dr Janum Singh Soy Selected for Padma Shri | Jharkhand | 27 Jan 2023

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- Retired Prof from Kolhan University, Jharkhand. Dr. Janum Singh Soy has been selected for Padma Shri for his remarkable contribution in the preservation and promotion of 'Ho' language. Dr. Soy has been involved in the preservation and promotion of the 'Ho' language for the last four decades. He has also written six books on the culture and lifestyle of the 'Ho' tribe.
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# Coarse Grain Cultivation will get a Boost in Jharkhand | Jharkhand | 27 Jan 2023

#### Why In News?

On January 26, 2023, the Jharkhand Agriculture Department has decided to promote millets as well in the light of the order of the Government of India. For this, the unit committee of the department has now planned of Rs 10 crore.

- In this scheme, a plan has been prepared to promote the production of coarse grains in different districts of Jharkhand in the coming years. There are full possibilities to promote the production of coarse cereals in the state. Earlier, many types of coarse grains were produced here.
- It is worth mentioning that for the last two years, the Agriculture Department serves only coarse grain products to the guests in its big programmes. Madua ki roti, Madua ka pitha, Chhilka roti etc. are served in the workshop of Agriculture Department.
- The Agriculture Department will organize seminars from state to block level on the utility and potential of coarse grains.
- It is known that the Government of India is celebrating the year 2023 as Millet's Year. In view of
  this, the state government has also prepared a plan. In this, the opinion of experts working on
  coarse grains will also be taken.

- There is good potential for ragi production in Jharkhand. According to the APEDA report, Jharkhand
  produces close to 15,000 tonnes of ragi. In the financial year 2017-18, there was a production of
  close to 18 thousand tonnes. Jowar is also producing about one thousand tonnes. This is happening
  when it was not on the priority list of the government.
- Unit committee director Ajay Kumar said that coarse grains were cultivated in the state for years. The tribal communities here cultivated plenty of coarse grains. Due to lack of market, it could not be promoted.
- He said that now there is no problem in the market for coarse grains. It is also selling very expensive in the market. Its biggest advantage is that it is a completely organic crop. It does not require pesticides and is prepared in less water.
- It is known that Jharkhand gets drought from time to time. In view of this, the cultivation of coarse grains will prove to be very effective for Jharkhand.

## Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel Inaugurated the Country's First Rural Industrial Park | Chhattisgarh | 27 Jan 2023

#### Why In News?

On January 26, 2023, Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel inaugurated the country's first Rural Industrial Park (RIPA) at Turenar in Bastar district on Republic Day.

#### **Key points**

- The Chief Minister the 'RIPA' campus and kisan mela that said in the inauguration program organized in 300 such rural industrial parks are being built across the state. To increase employment opportunities, two 'RIPA' are being prepared in every development block.
- For the self-employment of the villagers, 20 working sheds have been built in five acres here. Along with the working sheds, a training center and residential complex for trainees for residential training have also been built here.
- that people do not have to go out for work The Chief Minister said that the government is
  increasing employment opportunities at the local level so. The Rural Industrial Park will provide
  necessary resources for self-employment in villages. 'RIPA' will make villages self-reliant; villagers
  will be economically empowered, and women will also be self-reliant.
- Mushroom spawn lab and Oyster Mushroom production, Button Mushroom and Oyster Mushroom production, Cashew Processing, Kodo, Kutki, Ragi, Masala, Tikhur processing and Pickle making, Scented rice and Pulses production in Turinar 'RIPA' by various groups with the help of the state government., Tamarind Candy and Chapati Manufacturing, Chironji Processing, Silk Threading, Poultry Farming, Egg Production, Oil Pressing, Non-Woven Bag, Paper Bag, Dona, Pattal, Natural Cow Dung Paint, Cotton Textile, Fish Feed and Chicken Feed Manufacturing as well as Bakery The unit is being operated.

# Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel Gave a Big Gift to the People of the State on Republic Day | Chhattisgarh | 27 Jan 2023

#### Why In News?

On January 26, 2023, Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel has given many important gifts to the people of the state on Republic Day.

#### **Key points**

- Announcement of Adivasi Parv Samman Nidhi in the state- From the coming financial year, the government will provide Rs 10,000 per year to each gram panchayat for the best organization of festivals of tribal society in Bastar division, Surguja division and scheduled areas of the state.
- Youth will get unemployment allowance- Unemployment allowance will be given every month to the unemployed from the next financial year.
- A new scheme will be launched to encourage women entrepreneurship Women groups, women entrepreneurs, women businessmen and women start-ups will be launched to set up business industries.
- After preserving and preserving the culture and heritage of Chhattisgarh, Chhattisgarh State Innovation Commission will be formed in the state to take Chhattisgarh forward on the path of progress.
- Aero city will be developed near Swami Vivekananda Airport to promote passenger amenities in Raipur Airport, commercial development of the airport area and employment generation.
- **Rural Industry Policy will be formulated** in Chhattisgarh to strengthen the rural economy based on cottage industry, increase employment and income of the people.
- Industrial units will be exempted from property tax- Units located in industrial areas developed by the Industries Department will be exempted from the burden of property tax.
- River front will be built on Jeevandayini Kharun river The lifeline and center of public faith
  of Raipur and Durg district, Kharun river is also an important center of trade and entertainment.
  Excellent river front will be developed on Kharun river.
- Modern online redressal system will be made for redressal of electricity complaints-State-of-the-art online complaint and redressal system will be developed for the convenience of electricity consumers.
- Mukhyamantri Nirman Shramik Awas Sahayta Yojana will be started for construction workers Chhattisgarh Building and Other Construction Workers Welfare Board will introduce a scheme to provide grant of Rs. 50 thousand
- every year in the state National Ramayana/Manas Mahotsav to be held
- Maa Kaushalya Mahotsav to be held annually in Chandkhurai

## Three Celebrities of Chhattisgarh Selected for Padma Shri | Chhattisgarh | 27 Jan 2023

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- Sushri Usha Barle, Domar Singh Kunwar and Ajay Kumar Mandavi are among the three celebrities from Chhattisgarh selected for the Padma Shri award.
- Ms. Usha Barle of Durg district will be honored with Padma Shri award in the field of Pandavani singing. She has taken Pandavani training from renowned Pandavani singer Padma Vibhushan Teejanbai. Barle has performed Pandavani not only in India but also in cities like London and New York.
- Domar Singh Kunwar, a dancer and renowned artist, a resident of Village Lata Bod of Balod district, has been selected for Padma Shri to bring fame to the extinct dance art of Chhattisgarh from the country to abroad. He has staged this art more than 5 thousand times.
- Ajay Kumar Mandavi, a resident of Govindpur village in Kanker district, has introduced Gond tribal art in wood crafts. He has brought about a change in the lives of more than 350 people of the naxal area by connecting the affected and misguided people of the Naxal area with wood craftsmanship as well as connecting the youth with the wonderful art of wood. Mandavi will be honoured with the Padma Shri award for his work in motivating the youth to get rid of guns from their hands and pick up the chisel.
- Significantly, Padma award is included in the highest civilian awards of the country. The Padma awards are given in three categories - Padma Vibhushan, Padma Bhushan and Padma Shri. The awards are announced on Republic Day every year.
- The awards, social work public affairs science and engineering are given in the fields of various disciplines trade and industry, medicine, literature and education, sports, civil service etc/activities such as art.
- 'Padma Vibhushan' is awarded for exceptional and distinguished service, 'Padma Bhushan' for distinguished service of high order and 'Padma Shri' for distinguished service in any field.
- These awards are presented by the President of India in ceremonial ceremonies which are usually held at Rashtrapati Bhavan around March/April every year.

## Participants of Chhattisgarh won the National Voter Awareness Competition-2022 | Chhattisgarh | 27 Jan 2023

#### Why In News?

On 25 January 2023, the Election Commission of India announced the winners of the National Voter Awareness Competition-2022 on National Voters Day 2023. In this, 4 participants from Chhattisgarh have been selected as winners.

- Harshita Patel of Dhamtari, Arvind Kumar Yadav of Durg in video, Abhay Sanvedkar and Ashish Sawant of Bastar have won in the category of song education.
- Chief Electoral Officer, Chhattisgarh Reena Babasaheb Kangale congratulated all the winners for this achievement who have brought laurels to the state in the whole country.
- It is noteworthy that the Election Commission of India had organized the National Voter Awareness Competition-2022 on January 25, 2022, the 12th National Voters Day, to emphasize the importance of each vote through artistic expression.
- The competition was held in five genres which included songs, videos, posters, slogans and quizzes. Participants of all My vote is my future ages participated with the theme ': the power of a vote'.

# President's Medal to Officers and Personnel of Home Guard and Fire Services in Uttarakhand | Uttarakhand | 27 Jan 2023

#### Why In News?

According to information received from the media on January 26, 2023, home guards and fire officers and employees in Uttarakhand were awarded the President's Medal.

#### **Key points**

- Home Guard officers have been awarded President's Distinguished Service Home Guard Medal and Meritorious Service Home Guard Medal, while fire officers have been awarded Fire Service Medal.
- These officers received medals -
- President's Distinguished Service Home Guard Medal Amitabh Srivastava (Deputy Commandant General, Home Guard and Civil Defence), Rajiv Baloni (Deputy Commandant General, Home Guard and Civil Defence).
- President's Meritorious Service Home Guard Medal Govind Singh Khati (Senior Administrative Officer Home Guard District (Almora), Rajpal Rana Unpaid Platoon Commander, (Chamoli).
- President's Fire Service Medal for Distinguished Service Devendra Singh, Second Fire Officer (Rudraprayag), Pratap Singh Rana, Second Fire Officer (Haridwar).
- Fire Service Medal for Long and Meritorious Service Shyam Singh, Leading Fireman, (Champawat), Dinesh Chandra Pathak, Leading Fireman (Bageshwar), Laxman Singh Negi, Leading Fireman (Udhamsingh Nagar).
- While ADG law and order V. Murugesan has been awarded the President's Police Medal for distinguished services. Apart from these, the recipients of Police Medal for Meritorious Service include ASP Chief Minister Security Rakesh Chandra Deoli, DSP Pauri Garhwal Shyam Dutt Nautiyal, DSP Haridwar Pankaj Gairola, Head Constable PAC Rudrapur Amir Chandra and Inspector Police Headquarters Girwar Singh Rawat.

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