



BRO Celebrates 64th Raising Day

Why in News?

Border Roads Organisation (BRO) celebrated its 64th Raising Day on May 07, 2023, at all its detachments across the country.

What are the Key Highlights of the Event?

- The BRO **Technical Training Complex and an Automated Driving Track** were inaugurated.
 - These facilities will enhance the training standards of the BRO personnel and help them to be better prepared for various challenges.
- **BRO-centric software, developed as part of 'Digital India' initiative** were also launched on the occasion.
 - These softwares have been developed **to automate various aspects of the functioning of the BRO** for smoother & faster output and increased transparency.
- An MoU was signed for construction of indigenous **Class 70R Double Lane Modular Bridges** which will **help in bolstering the operational preparedness of the Armed Forces**.
 - Class 70R Double Lane Modular Bridges are **pre-engineered steel bridges** designed to carry vehicular traffic on two lanes.
- The event also witnessed flagging-in '**Ekta Avam Shradhanjali Abhiyaan**', a multi-modal expedition which began on April 10, 2023.

What is Ekta Avam Shradhanjali Abhiyaan?

- It was launched **to commemorate the sacrifices and contribution of its Karmyogis in nation building** as a part of 64th BRO Day Celebrations.
- It is a multi-model expedition; the team comprises of Motorcycles and Motor cars which started from North East and Northern part of the country.
 - The motorcycle leg of the expedition commenced on 14 Apr 2023, **from Kibithu, Arunachal Pradesh**.
- Expedition members from 18 Projects **had collected Soil, Water and Saplings from 108 remote border locations** and the same were planted at BRO Alma Mater, BRO School and Centre, Pune.

What is Border Road Organisation?

- **About:**
- BRO was conceived and **raised in 1960** by [Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru](#) for coordinating the speedy development of a **network of roads in the North and the North Eastern border** regions of the country.
- It works under the administrative control of the **Ministry of Defence**.
- It has diversified into a large spectrum of construction and development works comprising **airfields, building projects, defence works and tunneling** and has endeared itself to the people.

- **Achievements so far:**
- The BRO, in more than six decades, **has constructed over 61,000 kms of roads, over 900 Bridges**, four Tunnels and 19 airfields under challenging conditions along India's borders and **in friendly foreign countries, including Bhutan, Myanmar, Afghanistan and Tajikistan.**
- In 2022-23, the BRO completed 103 infrastructure projects, the most by the organisation in a single year.
 - These include construction of **Shyok Bridge in Eastern Ladakh** and Steel Arch **Siyom Bridge of Load Class 70 in Arunachal Pradesh** on Along-Yinkiong Road.

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