



# Indian Military Heritage Festival and Project Shaurya Gatha

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Recently, **Chief of Defence Staff (CDS)** General Anil Chauhan inaugurated the **2nd Indian Military Heritage Festival (IMHF)** in New Delhi. The event also launched **Project Shaurya Gatha**, focusing on conserving and promoting **India's military heritage**.

- **IMHF** aims to enhance awareness of India's military history, strategic culture, and self-reliance in defence.
  - **Participants** include think tanks, public/private sector entities, non-profits, academicians, research scholars, **National Cadet Corps (NCC)**, and youth organisations focusing on India's national security, foreign policy, military history, and heritage.
- Project Shaurya Gatha, in partnership with the **Department of Military Affairs** and the **United Service Institution (USI)** of India, seeks to preserve and promote military heritage through education and tourism initiatives.
  - **USI is a national security and defense services think tank** based in New Delhi, India.
- **CDS:** Its creation was recommended in 2001 by a **Group of Ministers (GoM)** that was tasked with studying the **Kargil Review Committee (1999)** report.
  - **General Bipin Rawat** was the **first CDS** in the country and was appointed in 2019.

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