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ARMED FORCES PREPARATORY INSTITUTE

A vibrant view of the Armed Forces Preparatory Institute through its initial years, to the time so far; projecting its never ending effort to train cadets from Punjab to make their way to the prestigious NDA or the Naval Academy; and serve the nation with the highest degree of dedication and motivation.

"A TRUE LEADER HAS THE CONFIDENCE TO STAND ALONE. THE COURAGE TO MAKE TOUGH DECISIONS, AND THE COMPASSION TO LISTEN TO THE NEEDS OF OTHERS. HE DOES NOT SET OUT TO BE A LEADER; BUT BECOMES ONE BY THE EQUALITY OF HIS ACTIONS AND THE INTEGRITY OF HIS INTENT."

-DOUGLAS Mc ARTHUR

CREST AND COLOUR



THE INSTITUTE CREST SYMBOLISES THE THREE SERVICES I.E. THE ARMY, THE NAVY AND THE AIR FORCE. IN ADDITION, SINCE THERE IS A LOT OF EMPHASIS ON ACADEMIC TRAINING, THIS IS INDICATED BY AN OPEN BOOK.

TRADITIONALLY THE COLOUR OF JOINTMANSHIP IN THE SERVICES IS MAROON. THE COLOUR IS DERIVED FROM A MIX OF THE COLOURS OF THE ARMY, THE NAVY AND THE AIR FORCE IN EQUAL PROPORTIONS WITH THE COLOUR OF BLOOD TO DEPICT SACRIFICE. SINCE THE INSTITUTE CATERS FOR ASPIRANTS FOR ALL THREE SERVICES, THE COLOUR OF THE INSTITUTE IS MAROON.

CADET'S PRAYER



“DEAR GOD, WE PRAY TO THEE FOR THY GUIDANCE AND SUPPORT IN OUR ENDEAVOUR TO JOIN THE NATIONAL DEFENCE ACADEMY AND BECOME LEADERS OF MEN IN THE ARMED FORCES OF OUR COUNTRY.

WE PRAY FOR PHYSICAL STRENGTH TO FACE THE CHALLENGES THAT LIE AHEAD OF US AND THE TENACITY TO OVERCOME EVERY HURDLE THAT COMES OUR WAY.

IGNITE IN US THE DESIRE TO EXCEL IN OUR ACADEMIC PURSUITS AND THE WISDOM TO APPLY THE KNOWLEDGE THAT WE ACQUIRE IN THE JOURNEY OF LIFE.

AWAKEN IN US THE ADMIRATION FOR HONEST DEALING AND CLEAN THINKING, AND GUIDE US TO CHOOSE THE HARDER RIGHT INSTEAD OF THE EASIER WRONG.

GRANT US THE COURAGE WHICH KNOWS NO COMPROMISE OR RETREAT WHEN TRUTH AND RIGHTEOUSNESS ARE IN PERIL SO THAT WE MAY NEVER FALTER IN DOING OUR DUTY TO OUR COUNTRY AND TO THE MEN WE COMMAND.”

GOING DOWN

MEMORY LANE

Historical Record

2010 - 2017

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MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

I am delighted that a long awaited and long overdue project is fructifying today. We have been toying with the idea of bringing out a journal for several years. For a variety of reasons the project never got off the drawing board and this is our maiden effort.

Kudos to the imaginative and industrious efforts of the Editorial Committee for bringing out such a fine compilation. I hope that reading this journal will be an interesting and nostalgic experience for the cadets and will inspire them to brush up their writing skills for even more contributions in the future.

AFPI is the brain child of Sardar Parkash Singh Badal, the former Chief Minister of Punjab. It was created to enhance the number of cadets from Punjab joining the National Defence Academy. This figure had reached an abysmal 2 to 3 % in 2010 (down from 20 to 30 % in the 60s and 70s). Only about 6 to 8 cadets per course in NDA were from Punjab. Our first batch joined us in 2011 and passed out in 2013. So far four courses have passed out and we have more than 60 cadets undergoing training in various service academies. In June this year we shall have our First Course cadets passing out from IMA. Thereafter, every six months in June and Dec, AFPIANS will be earning their stars from some academy or the other. AFPI has already emerged as a premier pre cadet training institute which ranks amongst the best in the country. We have good reason to be happy, but no reason to rest on our laurels.

Every cadet who joins AFPI has the potential to become an officer in the Armed Forces. There is no dearth of talent and potential. It is for us, the faculty, to ensure that the dreams of these fine young men are translated into reality. Our results, so far, have been encouraging but we need to further intensify our efforts to ensure that the selection rate improves with subsequent courses. We must strive for 100% selection.

To the cadets I would like to say only this - selection for NDA is difficult but well within your potential. All we ask of you is single minded devotion and determination. There is no question of your failing if you are focused and disciplined.

There is no short cut to success. Work hard to achieve your goal. Success is assured.

"Nischay Kar Apni Jeet Karoon".

Date: 27 Mar 2017


(BS Grewal)
Maj Gen
Dir AFPI

MESSAGE FROM SQN COMMANDER
"ALPHA SQN"

It gives me great pleasure and satisfaction as squadron commander, Admn officer and Psychologist to put forth a message in the AFPI journal.

I have been with this esteemed institution since the commencement of the second course since July 2013, and have seen the institution growing and producing the best results; not only in Punjab, but the entire country.

It is a matter of great pride that we have delivered robust and formidable contribution to the NDA, we have transformed boys to young men and future officers.

My special message to the cadets of AFPI;

"I am sanguine that you as cadets will uplift pride of your parents and family and most importantly AFPI, and endeavour to achieve highest results, to fulfil your career, dreams and aspirations, to make it to the NDA"

Jai Hind

Date : 27 Mar 2017



(KD Singh)
Brig
Sqn Cdr

MESSAGE FROM SQN COMMANDER
"BRAVO SQN"

Hard work is like a "flight of stairs and Luck is like a lift", - Lifts / escalators may just fail, however the stairs will always take you to the top hence there is no shortcut to "Hard work" for success. I would like to congratulate the 5th course (Ferocious Fifth) for their outstanding performance, where in 26 cadets cleared the UPSC examination for NDA and a record 19 cadets cleared the SSB successfully.

"Nishchay Kar Apni Jeet Karoon", was truly their guiding force and resolve.

I am sanguine that the "Sure Shots" (6th course) will emulate and achieve even greater glory. Training is dynamic in nature and we the faculty of the AFPI will spare no efforts in imparting the highest quality of training to the cadets so as to groom them into future leaders.

Jai Hind

Date : 27 Mar 2017



(RS Grewal)
Brig
Sqn Cdr

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MAHARAJA RANJIT SINGH AFPI
SPECIAL ORDER OF THE DAY

ISSUED BY
MAJ GEN BS GREWAL, VSM (RETD), DIRECTOR
25 APRIL 2011

01/2011

1. Today is a historic day for all of us as it marks the commencement of training at Maharaja Ranjit Singh Armed Forces Preparatory Institute. This institute is a pioneering venture by the Government of Punjab to enable young men from the state to join the armed forces of the country as commissioned officers through the National Defence Academy.

2. To the cadets of the First Course I offer my heartiest felicitations. You are the fortunate few who have been selected to lay the foundation of excellence on which this Institute will grow. You will need to work hard and keep your minds focused on the goal of joining the NDA. Remember there is no short cut to success.

3. On this momentous occasion, we the faculty, firmly resolve that we will spare no efforts in imparting the highest quality of training to our cadets. Single minded devotion to duty and sincerity of effort will unfailingly enable us to achieve our goal.

4. May this cradle of leadership grow from strength to strength and become a centre of excellence producing dynamic, bold and resolute leaders for the armed forces of our country.

"Nishchay Kar Apni Jeet Karoon"

(B S Grewal)
Maj Gen
Director

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30 Sep - Col GS Baidwan, Sqn Cdr B Sqn resigned and left for personal reasons. During his brief stay with us he had made a significant contribution towards training of cadets.

14 Oct - Cadets and the faculty took part in a PTC news channel programme called Punjab Speaks. The programme was aired on TV and received extensive coverage.

10 Oct - Inter Sqn Debate was held on the topic "India is spending too much money on defence. We should give higher priority to Education and Health Services". A Sqn won the debate. Individual prizes were awarded to the following:-

- First - 11/B/1 Cdt Nishant Arora
- Second - 28/A/1 Cdt Sahajjap Singh
- Third - 46/A/1 Cdt Karamvir Singh

21 Oct - Inter Sqn Volleyball competition was conducted. A Sqn won.

22 Oct - Cadets visited 5 Armd Regt and 7 Mech Inf Bn in Patiala. The visit was extremely motivating and inspiring.

The Chief Minister visited the institute on 25 Oct to take stock of various works related to infra-structure development. The Chief Minister desired that a dinner be hosted by AFPI for the War Decorated India on 05 Nov. A galaxy of war decorated officers accompanied by the Chief Minister visited us on 05 Nov. We organized a variety entertainment programme for the visitors. Speeches were made by the Minister for Sainik Welfare Capt Balbir Singh Bath, Brig NS Sandhu, MVC (on behalf of War Decorated India) and finally by the Chief Minister. This was followed by dinner in the Cadets Mess.



DINNER ATTENDED BY S. PARKASH SINGH BADAL, CM, PUNJAB & THE WAR DECORATED, 05-Nov-2011

19 Nov - cadets visited Air Force Station Chandigarh and saw various transport aircraft and helicopters.

21 Nov - Inter Sqn Debate was held on the topic "**The only solution to the Kashmir problem is through military means.**" A Sqn won the debate. Individual prizes were awarded to the following:-

- First - 21/A/1 Cdt Harsimar Singh
- Second - 5/B/1 Cdt Abhay Singh Rana
- Third - 18/A/1 Cdt Rajat Sarangal

24 Nov - All cadets witnessed a Mounted Parade at 1 Armd Div in Patiala. The parade was a full dress rehearsal of the Colour Presentation parade to be held for various regiments a few days later.

Boots and Saddles

EARLY DAYS OCT 2010 TO APRIL 2011

Punjab has traditionally been known as the 'Sword Arm' of India. All land invasions of our country came from the North West and Punjabis have always stood firm to repulse the invaders. Even today Punjab is a border state with a hostile neighbor to our West. It is therefore inevitable that Punjabis should play a leading role in the defence of the country. This was indeed the case till a few decades ago. A very large number of officers in the armed forces were from Punjab. Many of them won high military honours and decorations and held senior appointments in the hierarchy of the Army, the Navy and the Air Force. Way back in the 1960s and early 70s approximately 20 % of the cadets in the NDA were from Punjab. A special train used to run from Kirkee to Jalandhar during the term break as the number of cadets from Punjab was very large.

Over the years, for a number of reasons, the number of boys from Punjab joining the NDA began to decline. In 2008 / 2009 this number had come down to merely 2 to 3 %. This implied that in a course of about 300 cadets only 8 to 10 cadets were from Punjab. **At that time the then Commandant NDA (Air Mshl TS Randhawa), Deputy Commandant NDA (Maj Gen BS Grewal), Commandant IMA (Lt Gen RS Sujlana) and Deputy Commandant IMA (Maj Gen TPS Bakshi) were all from Punjab.** The government of Punjab was sensitized to the problem and they responded with extreme concern. The Chief Minister, Sardar Parkash Singh Badal, immediately decided that an Institute be set up to train selected young boys from Punjab for joining the NDA. **A society called Maharaja Ranjit Singh Armed Forces Preparatory Institute was registered under the Societies Act on 14 Sep 2009 for this purpose.**

8.5 acres of land was identified by the government in Sector 77, Mohali for setting up this institute. (Later an additional 1.5 acres was also allotted). Construction work started in 2010. The intention was to have the first phase of construction completed by April 2011 so that the first session could commence in that year.



CONSTRUCTION WORK IN PROGRESS IN 2010

An advertisement was issued in the newspapers in Sep 2010 calling for applications from officers desirous of taking up the post of Director. Interview for the post of Director AFPI was held in Sep 2010 in the Conference Room of Director Sainik Welfare Punjab. The interview committee comprised of Mr Manpreet Singh Badal (then Finance Minister Punjab) and a galaxy of senior retired armed forces officers. There were eight applicants of two / three star rank.

Maharaja Ranjit Singh, AFPI

Maj Gen BS Grewal, VSM was appointed as the first director of AFPI and he assumed the appointment on 18 Oct 2010. The first few months were incredibly hard. The Director had a temporary office in Sector 17 in the office of Director Employment Generation and Training and functioned from this office till basic infra-structure was completed in Sector 77 Mohali. Construction work was proceeding well but as may be expected there were inevitable slippages. It was a constant battle and race against time.

In Nov 2010 the Chief Minister visited the construction site and gave directions for early completion of work. His visits left us with positive energy as he was always very appreciative of our efforts and had a word of encouragement for everyone. The Chief Minister inquired about the time frame for commencing training. He was assured that training would commence in April 2011. At that time this seemed a decidedly ambitious time line, if not completely impossible!

The badge of the institute, colour of headgear and motto were approved by the Chief Minister on 14 Nov 2010.



BADGE & MOTTO OF AFPI

Salient issues considered were:-

Badge represents the Army (Lances), Navy (Anchor) and Air Force (Eagle). An open book has been put in the centre as there is a large academic content in our training.

- **Colour of headgear is maroon as this is the colour which depicts jointmanship in the armed forces.**
- **The motto "Nischay Kar Apni Jeet Karoon" is representative of the firm resolve of the cadets to achieve their goal.**

The Director did a quick recce of various schools in Chandigarh and Mohali and short listed a few of them based on proximity to the Institute; the interest shown by them; infra-structure available in school and fees structure. This was forwarded to the government for approval. Based on our recommendations Shemrock SrSecy School in Sector 69 was approved for academics training of the cadets. Principal of the School was Air Commodore (Retd) SK Sharma and Chairman was Mr AS Bajwa.

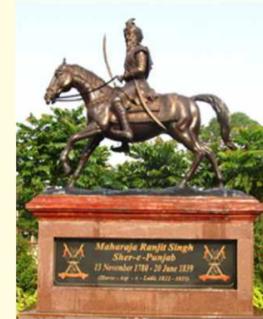
The entrance test for the First Course was planned to be conducted on 30 Jan 2011. Question paper for this was prepared by Shemrock Sr Secy School and the printing of the paper was organized through Punjab School Education Board. The test was held at three centres in Punjab viz Mohali, Bhatinda and Amritsar. Total number of candidates was 470. Thereafter the interviews were conducted in the campus of Olive Green Institute in Mani Majra as our own buildings were still under construction. Medical examination of the candidates was carried out in the Civil Hospital Mohali and finally 48 candidates were invited to join the institute in April 2011 as part of the **First Course (The Pioneers)**.

Boots and Saddles

Inter Sqn Debate was held on 17 Aug. The topic of the debate was **"In modern warfare brains will be more important than brawn. We should therefore reduce the emphasis on physical fitness at AFPI."** Individual prizes were awarded to the following:-

- First - 30 / A / 1 Cdt Gurneet Singh Aujla
- Second - 26 / B / 1 Cdt Vishal Agnihotri
- Third - 17 / B / 1 Cdt Vishavdeep Singh

18 Aug - A suggestion box was prepared and placed in the corridor in front of the Cadet's mess. Cadets desirous of putting up any points / suggestions / recommendations were advised to use the same.



A Statue of Maharaja Ranjit Singh on horseback was installed in the institute in Sep 2011. The statue is an appropriate tribute to the great Maharaja who was popularly known as the **SHER-E-PUNJAB** and in whose name the institute was raised.

07 Sep - Inter Sqn Debate was held on the topic **"Leaders are born and not made"**. B Sqn won the debate. Individual prizes were awarded to the following:-

- First - 36 / B / 1 Cdt Ajay Pal Singh Waraich
- Second - 23 / B / 1 Cdt Mohit Sharma & 31 / A / 1 Cdt Varinder Pal Singh
- Third - 25 / A / 1 Cdt Sneh Pal Singh

On 12 Sep 2011, **Saragarhi Park** was inaugurated by Lt Gen RS Sujlana a Sikh Regimental officer. In this park 22 fruit trees have been planted in honour of the 22 brave men of 4 Sikh who died in the battle of Saragarhi on 12 Sep 1897. A statue of a lion also adorns the park.



On 25 Sep 2011 five cadets along with the Director took part in the Chandigarh Cyclothon. This involved cycling over a route of 20 kms. Participation certificates were awarded to the following:-

- 3 / B / 1 Cdt Sidharth Rajput.
- 10 / B / 1 Cdt Akhilesh Kanwar
- 11 / B / 1 Cdt Nishant Arora
- 13 / A / 1 Cdt Prabhdeep Singh Bhatia
- 43 / B / 1 Cdt Harpreet Singh

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01 Aug - Punishment policy was promulgated for information of all cadets. This had been approved by the Governing Body earlier.

On 05 Aug - we had a surprise visit by the Chief Minister Sardar Parkash Singh Badal. He was delighted to meet the cadets and see the progress made by the institute so quickly.

05 Aug 2011 I today visited Maharaja Ranjit Singh A.F.P. Mohali. I am highly impressed to see the whole arrangements. I give credit to Hq. General Baljot Singh General for his efforts to develop the Academy. I met the Cadets getting training to get them selected as Military Officers. Cadets are very smart. I am sure they will be successful in their mission. Parkash Singh Badal.

REMARKS OF THE CHIEF MINISTER IN OUR VISITOR'S BOOK

He also had an impromptu lunch with the cadets and said that he found the food excellent. He was very magnanimous to invite all cadets to dinner at Punjab Bhavan. The faculty and cadets were honoured to dine with the Chief Minister and various dignitaries including Hony Capt Bana Singh, PVC and Brig KS Chandpuri, MVC the following day. The Chief Minister presented a silver salver to the institute.



SALVER PRESENTED BY S. PARKASH SINGH BADAL, CM, PUNJAB TO DIRECTOR AFPI, 06-AUG-2011

Cdts had written a project on "My Military Hero" during the summer vacations. The projects submitted by the cdts were evaluated by the Sqn Cdrs. The following cdts were awarded prizes for the good projects written by them:-

- First - 6/B/1 Cdt Danish Chadha
- Second - 38/A/1 Cdt Yashwant Singh Waraich
- Third - 17/B/1 Cdt Vishavdeep Singh
- Fourth - 22/A/1 Cdt Gurkaran Singh Saini

Boots and Saddles

On 03 Mar 2011 a meeting was held with the Chief Minister in which he approved the requirement of staff as projected to him by the Director.

Our accounts section set the ball rolling on 04 Mar 2011 with the first cheque being issued in favour of HT Media for a sum of Rs 14,049/- for a newspaper advertisement issued earlier. All expenses from Oct 2010 till Mar 2011 were made by the Director from his personal account and later reimbursed from Institute funds.

In Mar 2011 some portions of our buildings were finally ready and the office shifted from Sector 17 to the Institute in Mohali. At that time the office complex was given priority for construction. Only the ground floor of the building was made in Phase 1. The hostel complex was also being done simultaneously but work was well behind schedule. There was no road connecting the institute due to some litigation problems. The area was also devoid of any trees or greenery barring a few old mango trees which existed. The arboriculture plan was drawn up and action was taken in hand for 'greening' the area.



PHASE-1 CONSTRUCTION COMPLETED IN APR 2011

On 10 Mar 2011 the second staff member, Ris Baljit Singh (4 Horse) joined as the Warden. It was a great relief to have some help at last. Interviews for the post of GTO and Psychologist were conducted in AFPI on 22 Mar. Col GS Baidwan, SM (Mahar Regiment) and Col JS Dhiman (AEC) were selected and asked to join forthwith. Col Baidwan was appointed Sqn Cdr A Sqn cum Training Officer and Col Dhiman was appointed Sqn Cdr B Sqn cum Adm Officer. At last we had some kind of a team together.

Our Staff Car, a white colour Ford Fiesta was purchased on 17 Mar. The old Ambassador Car was returned to the Punjab government thereafter.

Tenders for catering, laundry, tuck shop were advertised in the newspapers. Frantic purchases were made in quick time to get our act together before the arrival of the First Batch.

Lt Gen PS Bhalla, DG NCC was our first visitor in April.

**OUR FIRST YEAR
APRIL 2011 TO MARCH 2012**

The first batch of cadets started arriving on 21 April. At that time the furniture in cabins and curtains etc were still not in place. We hired some mattresses and cots for the cadets to tide over the problem as an interim measure. In terms of infra-structure, ground floor of the office complex was ready and all 96 cabins were ready. There was no shooting range, stables, PVH, swimming pool squash court etc. What is now the MVH was meant to be the library, though we never used it for that purpose and it was our main lecture hall to begin with.



On 25 April a brief flag hoisting ceremony was held and the Director addressed the cadets before they proceeded to school. We did not have our own bus then and cadets were using the Shemrock school bus. Surprisingly we did not experience too many cases of home sickness with the first course. This was to become a greater problem with subsequent courses. During the first one month a visit was organized for the cadets to have some fun in Fun City.



SHEMROCK SENIOR SECY SCHOOL, MOHALI

The first Inter Sqn Debate was held on 16 May 2011. The subject was **"The Honour code of the institute is not in consonance with the modern and changing environment. A new honour code is required."**

Cadets had a Jam Session on 20 May in the ante room and dispersed for summer vacations on the next day. The manner in which the first course settled down was particularly admirable as facilities available then were rather rudimentary compared to what is available now. The course was named **"The Pioneers"**.

The period of the summer break was utilized to complete tendering for various purchases. PT infra-structure was created; furniture from Godrej arrived; curtains were put in cabins; carpets purchased for the ante room and music system was purchased. It was a time of frantic administrative activity as we were determined to improve the state of readiness before the cadets returned from leave.

The first meeting of the board of governors was held in the residence of the Chief Minister on 30 Jun. Salient issues discussed were as under:-

- **The Chief Minister expressed complete satisfaction at the manner in which the institute had come up so well in such a short time frame. He said that for him personally it was the "fulfillment of a dream come true".**
- **Approval was granted for construction of additional infrastructure to include a security room at the main gate; Tuck Shop; Basketball Court; Parade ground; Auditorium to seat 125 persons; Library cum cyber café; two additional class rooms on the first floor; One officers residence on campus; Swimming pool; Stables; Squash Court; Indoor shooting range.**
- **Ex post facto approval of the Governing Body was granted for the selection of Shemrock Sr Secy School for Academics of cadets.**

Cadets arrived back after the summer break and training commenced in the first week of Jul.

03 Jul - Since we did not have our own swimming pool then, we commenced swimming training in the Mohali swimming pool. Swimming training was carried out throughout the summer months and cadets were able to achieve a high standard. The swimming test laid down was 50 m breast stroke as per NDA standards.

The first guest lecture was conducted on 06 Jul - talk on Leadership by Brig HS Gill of the Mahar Regiment. The lecture was conducted in what is now MVH. The first movie was screened for cadets on 09 Jul - Tora Tora Tora.

Col JS Dhiman visited Sainik School Kapurthala and the Director visited Sainik School Kunjpura to learn from their experiences. The visits were useful and helped us to evolve our training routine and syllabi.

On 21 Jul - the institute Basketball team took part in and won the Inter School Zonal Basketball tournament. All members of the team played with exemplary spirit and skill to win the final match by a convincing margin.

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04 Dec was observed as Navy Day. A motivational film on the Indian Navy was shown to the cadets. Inter Sqn Hockey match was played on 10 Dec. B Sqn beat A Sqn to win the Hockey tournament for the year 2012-13.

Inter Sqn Debate was held on 12 Dec 2012 in ParamVir Hall. Topic for the debate was **"For a developing country like India it is important to focus on economic progress and avoid wasteful expenditure on defence."** Bravo Sqn with 478 points beat Alpha Sqn (477.5 points). Individual results were as under:-

- First - 86/A/2 Cdt Shivam Sardana.
- Second - 21/A/1 CSM Harsimar Singh.
- Third - 43/B/1 DCC Harpreet Singh

Four Inter Sqn Debates were held in the year 2012-13. Based on the overall performance of the sqns in the debates Bravo Sqn was declared the winner of the Debating Trophy for the year.

Country study projects were submitted by cadets of 2nd Course. The under mentioned projects were adjudged as the best projects:-

- First - Project on Uzbekistan submitted by 89/A/2 Cdt Sanjay Singh Rajput and 52/A/2 Cdt Tanveer Singh.
- Second - Project on Australia submitted by 56/B/2 Cdt Preet Kamal Singh and 59/B/2 Cdt Shubhendu Bhardwaj.

13 Dec - A contingent of students from North Eastern States visited the institute. We hosted dinner for the students.

21 Dec - Round Square Conference hosted by YPS Patiala visited the institute. Approximately 70 students from various schools were attending the conference. The students were shown a motivational film on NDA; briefed about AFPI and shown the infra structure available here. Later they had lunch in the cadet's mess. Mr Janajit Ray, Principal YPS Mohali delivered the closing address of the Conference in the afternoon.

Results of NDA Entrance Exam held on 19 Aug were declassified on 28 Dec. 21 cadets of the 41 who appeared have cleared the exam. A good result in our first year.

All cadets proceeded on winter break from 28 Dec to 14 Jan.

9/A/1 Cdt Mehakpreet Singh cleared the SSB on 02 Feb. He was the first cadet from AFPI to clear the SSB. Eventually ten cadets cleared the SSB and of these seven joined the NDA / NAVAC. Two cadets failed to clear the medical and one cadet did not feature high enough in the merit list.

20 Jan 2013 - Entrance test for the third AFPI course was conducted at Jalandhar, Mohali and Bhatinda. There were a total of 916 candidates.

22 Feb - A farewell party was organized for the first course. School farewell was held on 26 Feb.

01 to 25 Mar - Board exams for the first course.

21 Mar - Col JS Dhiman, Sqn Cdr A Sqn left on completion of his period of contractual employment.

The under mentioned cadets of 1st Course were awarded the PT Badge for having cleared the Basic, Higher and Excellence PT Tests:-

- 15/A/1 Cdt Jaiwant
- 5/B/1 CQMS Abhay Singh Rana
- 6/B/1 BCA Danish Chadha
- 24/B/1 Cdt Simranjot Singh

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30 Nov - all cadets attended the inauguration ceremony of the war memorial at Chhappar Chiri. This memorial has been constructed in Mohali by the government of Punjab in honour of the famous Sikh Warrior Baba Banda Singh Bahadur.

10 Dec - Inter Sqn Debate held. Topic **"Seeing the emerging importance of Naval Power, we should give greater emphasis to the development of the Indian Navy."** A Sqn won the debate. Individual prizes were awarded to the following:

- First - 15/A/1 Cdt Jaiwant
- Second - 9/A/1 Cdt Mehakpreet Singh
- Third - 33/A/1 Cdt Vijaypal Singh Sra

Inter Sqn Cross Country was held on 20 Dec. The Cross Country trophy has been presented to the institute by Hodson's Horse and the race is therefore called Hodson's Run. B Sqn won. Individual positions were as under:-

- First - 43/B/1 Cdt Harpreet Singh
- Second - 24/B/1 Cdt Simranjot Singh
- Third - 6/B/1 Cdt Danish Chadha

In Dec 2011 - our transport fleet improved considerably as we purchased a TATA Venture for odd jobs and errands and a Bus for the cadets to go to school.

On 30 Dec cadets proceeded on winter break till 15 Jan.

Academic torches were awarded to the under mentioned cadets of the first course for scoring more than 90% marks overall :-

- 19/A/1 BCC Rishav Dixit
- 23/B/1 SCC Mohit Sharma
- 6/B/1 BCA Danish Chadha
- 17/A/1 SCC Vishavdeep Singh
- 21/A/1 CSM (offg) Harsimar Singh
- 37/B/1 CSM (offg) Sahil Manhas

With effect from 02 April, all cadets of the First Course started wearing Second Term badges on their collars.

In the first year all appointments were made by rotation. For the second year we were able to go in for permanent appointments. The appointments were as under :-

- **BCC.** - 19/A/1 Cdt Rishav Dixit
- **BCA.** - 6/B/1 Cdt Danish Chadha
- **SCC 'A' Sqn.** - 17/A/1 Cdt Vishavdeep Singh
- **SCC 'B' Sqn.** - 23/B/1 Cdt Mohit Sharma
- **CSM 'A' Sqn.** - 21/A/1 Cdt Harsimar Singh
- **CSM 'B' Sqn.** - 37/B/1 Cdt Sahil Manhas
- **CQMS 'A' Sqn.** - 9/A/1 Cdt Mehakpreet Singh
- **CQMS 'B' Sqn.** - 5/B/1 Cdt Abhay Singh Rana

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Maharaja Ranjit Singh, AFPI Mohali

Based on the performance of cdt's in the entire academic year, the results of the Inter Sqn Academics Competition were declared as under:-

- First B Sqn with 1123 points.
- Second A Sqn with 1101 points.

Inter Sqn Hockey match was played on 19 Apr. B Sqn won the match beating A Sqn by a margin of 2 goals to 1.

Lt Gen HRS Mann (Guards) has been taking keen interest in the raising of the institute. In one of his visits he stated that he would like to present a banner for Excellence in Sports. We got the Banner made on behalf of Gen Mann and it was formally presented to us by him.

Based on the results of Inter Sqn Tournaments in Volleyball, Basketball, Cross Country, Hockey and PT, the Inter Sqn Sports Banner for the year 2011 - 12 was awarded to B Sqn.

PT Tests for cadets have been laid down based on the NDA PT standards. The first term NDA tests have been designated as Basic Tests; second term tests are called Higher tests and third term NDA tests are called Excellence tests. Cadets who qualify in the Basic, Higher and Excellence tests are eligible to be awarded a PT Badge.

Results of the Inter Sqn PT competition were as under:-

- First B Sqn with an average of 78.22 points
- Second A Sqn with an average of 71.69 points.

Entrance test for the second AFPI course was conducted on 22 Jan at three centres viz Mohali, Jalandhar and Bhatinda. This time the number of candidates was 998. Interviews were conducted in AFPI for the short listed candidates and this was followed by a medical examination also in the Civil Hospital. Finally 54 candidates were short listed and 48 were invited to join the institute as part of the Second to None course in April.

A Vijayanta tank was presented to us by the Army Commander Western Command Lt Gen SR Ghosh on 29 Mar 2012. The tank has been displayed on a suitable platform at the entrance of the institute.



VIJAYANTA TANK PRESENTED BY LT GEN SR GHOSH, GOC-in-C, HQ WESTERN COMMAND

Boots and Saddles

2nd Course visited AF Stn Ambala on 06 Oct (Sat). They were able to see various types of fighter aircraft.

The Inter Sqn Basketball match was earlier scheduled to be held in Jul but this had to be repeatedly postponed as there was a lot of construction work in the vicinity - a rain water harvesting pit was being made. Eventually the match was held on 10 Oct. A Sqn won the match.

18 Oct 2012 was observed as the Founder's Day of AFPI. Maj Gen RPS Bhandari was the Chief Guest. The following activities were included:-

- (a) Inter Sqn Football won by A Sqn.
- (b) Inter Sqn Debate won by B Sqn. Topic of the debate was **"The only way to bring discipline into civil society is to have compulsory military service for the youth of our country."** Individual prizes were won by the following:-
 - First - 20/B/1 Cdt Rishabh Bhola
 - Second - 38/A/1 Cdt Yashwant Singh Waraich
 - Third - 89/A/2 Sgt Sanjay Singh Rajput
- (c) Brief entertainment programme.
- (d) Prize distribution of Basketball, Football, Swimming, Academics Banner and Debate.
- (e) Dinner in Cdt's mess.

Inter Sqn Debate was held on 19 Nov. Topic for the debate was "In the Armed forces autocratic style of leadership is better than democratic style". Maj Gen BPS Grewal was the Chief Guest. Results of the debate were as under:-

- (a) Individual Positions:-
 - (i) First - 72/B/2 Cdt Ajaypal Singh Bhati
 - (ii) Second - 62/B/2 Cdt Manjot Singh Dhaliwal
 - (iii) Third - 67/A/2 Cdt Ishnoor Singh Ghuman
- (b) Sqn Positions:-
 - (i) First - B Sqn with 429 points
 - (ii) Second - A Sqn with 401 points

Inter Sqn Cross Country (Hodson's Run) was conducted on 30 Nov 2012. B Sqn with 1574 points beat A Sqn by a margin of 593 points. Individual positions were as under:-

- First - 43/B/1 Cdt Harpreet Singh (16 mins 25 secs)
- Second - 3/B/1 Cdt Sidharth Rajput (16 mins 35 secs)
- Third - 64/B/2 Cdt Harsh Partap (16 mins 56 secs)
- Fourth - 7/A/1 Cdt Gaganprit Singh
- Fifth - 89/A/2 Cdt Sanjay Rajput
- Sixth - 67/A/2 Cdt Ishnoor Singh Ghuman
- Seventh - 53/B/2 Cdt Rishabh Kaushal
- Eighth - 6/B/1 BCA Danish Chadha
- Ninth - 45/A/1 Cdt TP Singh
- Tenth - 77/B/2 Cdt Ankur

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A memento 'Coffee Mug' was designed for the institute and these have been prepared in adequate numbers. The intention is to use these mementos as presentation items for visiting guest speakers and other dignitaries. Cadets who wish to purchase these mementos may also do so on payment.

Cadets returned from summer vacations on 07 Jul. All 2nd course cadets gave out self-introductory talks with effect from 09 Jul.

Kit was issued to 2nd Course cadets on 14 Jul and they commenced wearing uniform with effect from 16 Jul.

Seminar on Communication Skills was held in PVH on 21 Jul. Students from nine schools also took part in the seminar. Air Mshl TS Randhawa, former Commandant NDA, was the Chief Guest.

The Inter Sqn Academics banner is presented to the Sqn standing first in Academics. Col JS Dhiman, Psychologist and OC A Sqn very kindly presented the banner to the Institute on 01 Aug 2012. We are grateful to Col JS Dhiman for this magnanimous presentation. Group photographs of both courses were also taken on the same day.

It was decided after due deliberation that we should have a formally designated Founder's Day to be observed each year. Since the offices of the institute formally started functioning on 18 Oct 2010 with the arrival of the first member of the staff (Director), it was decided that the institute would observe 18 Oct as the Founder's Day. Some of the other considerations that went into the decision making process were the weather; the fact that the NDA exam is generally over by Sep; and the school calendar.

Cdts of the 2nd Course had written projects on "My Military Hero" and carried out presentations on these projects. The under mentioned projects were adjudged as the best projects and were awarded book prizes:-

	Position	Cadet	Subject of Project
(a)	First	61/B/2 Cdt Anam Narula	Rommel
(b)	Second	48/A/2 Cdt Mirazinder Singh	Alexander
(c)	Third	64/B/2 Cdt Harsh Partap	Hari Singh Nalwa

Cadets of the 2nd Course visited an armoured regiment and mechanised infantry battalion of 1 Armoured Division located at Patiala on 16 Aug. Cadets enjoyed the visit conducted by 74 Armd Regt and 5 Mech Inf.

NDA entrance exam was held on 19 Aug. 41 cadets appeared in the exam. After the exam the cadets were sent on a short leave. SSB training commenced on 23 Aug when the cadets returned from leave,

Inter Sqn Debate was held on 29 Aug in PVH. The topic of the debate was **"In sports it does not matter whether you win or lose but how you play the game."** 'A' Sqn won the debate with 636 points and 'B' Sqn was second with 626 points. Individual positions were as under:-

- First - 78/A/2 Cdt Gurvansh Singh
- Second - 4/B/1 Cdt Jatin Saini
- Third - 56/B/2 Cdt Preet Kamal Singh

08 Sep - Director conducted a workshop on Memory Techniques for all cadets. Students from nine local schools also attended the workshop.

Swimming training was carried out in summer in the Mohali swimming pool. The results of Inter Sqn Swimming were as under:-

- First - B Sqn (four swimming failures including one of 1st Course and three of 2nd Course)
- Second - A Sqn (five swimming failures including three of 1st Course and two of 2nd Course)

Boots and Saddles

**THE SECOND YEAR
APRIL 2012 TO MARCH 2013**

The **SECOND TO NONE** Course joined AFPI on 21 & 22 Apr and commenced going to school on 23 April. Since uniforms were yet to be made the cadets wore white shirt, black trousers, black shoes and Institute tie to school.

On 02 May, the Chief Minister Sardar Parkash Singh Badal and famous Indian Cricketer Yuvraj Singh visited the institute. An entertainment programme was organized and this was followed by dinner in the cadet's mess. Cdt Rishabh Bhola was the Master of Ceremonies and quizzed Yuvraj. He asked him about how he felt facing Shoaib Akhtar (uncomfortable) and about hitting six sixes in an over (great).



THE CHIEF MINISTER S. PARKASH SINGH BADAL AND FAMOUS INDIAN CRICKETER YUVRAJ SINGH VISITED THE INSTITUTE.

In May the Army Commander Western Command, Lt Gen SR Ghosh, presented a magnificent silver trophy as a rolling trophy for the best all round cadet of the passing out course.



BEST ALL ROUND CADET TROPHY

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A MiG 21 aircraft was presented to us by the Air Chief, Air Chief Mshl NAK Browne on 25 May. The aircraft has been displayed on a suitable platform in the lawn adjacent to the main office building.



MIG-21 AIRCRAFT

Project assignments were given to the newly joined cadets for Leadership studies. Cadets were asked to choose from any of the following military heroes:-

- (a) Maharaja Ranjit Singh
- (b) Shivaji
- (c) Rani of Jhansi
- (d) Fd Mshl Sam Manekshaw
- (e) Marshal of the Air Force Arjan Singh
- (f) Patton
- (g) Rommel
- (h) Guderian
- (j) Slim
- (k) Montgomery
- (l) Wingate of the Chindits
- (m) Marshal Zhukov
- (n) Lawrence of Arabia
- (o) Chenghiz Khan
- (p) Douglas Mac Arthur
- (q) Julius Caesar
- (r) Alexander the Great
- (s) Moshe Dayan
- (t) Napoleon
- (u) Gen Hari Singh Nalwa
- (v) Any PVC winner

Boots and Saddles

On 07 May we commenced IMPACT coaching classes for the 1st course to prepare them for the UPSC entrance exam for NDA. Director IMPACT is Col Piyush Bahuguna.

2nd Course cadets visited Chhappar Chiri Memorial on 12 May since there was no school on this day being the second Saturday of the month.

15 to 17 May - Leadership seminar organized for the cadets.

- On Day One we discussed Qualities of Good Leader. Mr Janajit Ray, Principal YPS Mohali was the Chief Guest.
- On Day Two the topic was Leadership in Combat. Lt Gen HRS Mann was the Chief Guest.
- On the concluding day the topic was Future Leadership Challenges. Maj Gen US Sidhu was the Chief Guest. Gen Sidhu, Chairman PESCO has very kindly presented a trophy (Bust of Maharaja Ranjit Singh) for the Champion Sqn.

The sports year commenced with Inter Sqn Volleyball on 21 May. A Sqn beat B Sqn to win the trophy.

2nd Course proceeded on summer vacations on 26 May. 1st Course stayed back for IMPACT classes.

On 01 June our new GTO joined us. He is Col HS Chauhan, a very experienced Group Testing Officer from the Artillery. He assumed the appointment of GTO cum OC B Sqn cum OC Troops.

A closed Circuit TV system was installed in the Sqn area to monitor any movement of cadets in the corridors. It was hoped that this measure would improve the standard of discipline of the cadets in the sqns.

The main auditorium of the institute was inaugurated on the first floor. It has been named ParamVir Hall and pictures along with write ups on the 21 PVC winners of the armed forces have been displayed in this hall. The hall is designed to seat 120 cadets. LH 1 was renamed as Maha Vir Hall and converted into a Conference room. Other Lecture Halls were re numbered as LH 1, 2, 3 and 4.



MAHA VIR HALL



PARAM VIR HALL

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Champion Sqn. Bravo Sqn.



LT GEN TK SAPRU, FORMER GOC-in-C, HQ WESTERN COMMAND PRESENTED THE CHAMPIONS TROPHY TO BRAVO SQN.

The under mentioned cdts were awarded PT badges:-

- 93/A/2 Cdt Karan Muhabat Preet Singh
- 53/B/2 Cdt Rishabh Kaushal
- 60/B/2 Cdt Arshdeep Singh Riar
- 64/B/2 SCC Harsh Partap
- 73/B/2 CQMS Brijesh Pal Singh
- 125/A/3 Cdt Puneetinder Singh Sekhon

The under mentioned cdts of the 3rd Course were made officiating appointments in Jan 2014.

- Offg BCC - 137/A/3 Cdt Armaanjit Singh Dhaliwal
- Offg BCA - 101/B/3 Cdt Chandan Sharma
- Offg SCC 'A' Sqn - 133/A/3 Cdt Jasmeet Singh Bamrah
- Offg SCC 'B' Sqn - 95/B/3 Cdt Harshdeep Singh Sohi

On 20 Dec, Air Marshal KS Gill, Commandant NDA visited the institute. He was briefed in Maha Vir Hall and later he addressed the cadets.



AIR MARSHAL KS GILL, COMMANDANT NDA, VISITED THE INSTITUTE

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- 36/B/1 Cdt Ajaypal Singh Waraich
- 39/B/1 Cdt Rahul Sharma
- 43/B/1 DCC Harpreet Singh
- 11/B/1 Cdt Nishant Arora

B Sqn won the Inter Sqn PT competition for the year:

Inter Sqn Sports Banner: 2012 - 13. Summary of results of various Inter Sqn events for the year is as under:-

Ser No	Event	Winner
(a)	Volleyball	Alpha
(b)	Basketball	Alpha
(c)	Football	Alpha
(d)	Hockey	Bravo
(e)	Cross country	Bravo
(f)	PT	Bravo
(g)	Swimming	Bravo

The under mentioned cdts were awarded Academic Torch (Cut off percentage 85%):-

- CSM Rajan Jindal
- BCA Preet Kamal Singh
- SCC Harsh Partap
- DCC Sukhjinder Singh
- Cdt Gurvansh Singh Gosal
- Cdt Shubhendu Bhardwaj
- CQMS Brijesh Pal Singh
- BCC Sanjay Singh Rajput
- DCC Rishabh Kaushal

The following cdts of the 2nd Course were made appointments with effect from 01 April 2013.

- BCC - 89/A/2 Cdt Sanjay Singh Rajput
- BCA - 56/B/2 Cdt Preet Kamal Singh
- SCC 'A' Sqn - 58/A/2 Cdt Prajwal Dhiman
- SCC 'B' Sqn - 64/B/2 Cdt Harsh Partap
- CSM 'A' Sqn - 68/A/2 Cdt Rajan Jindal
- CSM 'B' Sqn - 50/B/2 Cdt Vikram Singh
- CQMS 'A' Sqn - 74/A/2 Cdt Jaideep Amitoj Singh Wasu
- CQMS 'B' Sqn - 73/B/2 Cdt Brijesh Pal Singh

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Group photograph, Closing address and Farewell tea party for 1st Course was held on 20 Mar. Lt Gen JS Dhaliwal was the Chief Guest. The following procedure was followed:-

- (a) National anthem played at the end of the Closing Address.
- (b) After the national anthem, the tune "Auld Lang Syne" was played.
- (c) 1st Course cadets move from PVH; down the stair case; through the ground floor foyer; outside to the Institute flag. Cadets of 2nd Course lined up enroute.
- (d) 1st Course cadets salute the Institute flag as they go past it and move to the lawn for tea.
- (e) Visitors book placed in the lawn. Passing out cadets write remarks in the visitor's book.
- (f) Tea with staff and 2nd Course cadets.

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THE THIRD YEAR
APRIL 2013 TO MAR 2014

47 cadets of the Third Course joined AFPI on 20 April. The course was named "THE TRIDENTS". The Director addressed the new cadets on 22 April. The senior course assisted the new cadets to settle down to the new routine. Buddy pairs were formed and the senior course assumed responsibilities as "over study".

We conducted the annual Leadership seminar from 06 to 11 May in three sessions as under:-

- 06 May - Qualities of a Good Leader. Chief Guest was Maj Gen Raj Mehta.
- 08 May - Brig Sushil Bhasin was the Chief Guest for the session on Leadership in Combat.
- 11 May - On the concluding day the session on Future Leadership Challenges was chaired by Lt Gen Chetinder Singh.

Two Inter Sqn events were conducted in May. The first debate of the year was held on 22 May. The topic for the debate was "Leaders are born, not made." Chief Guest for the debate was Maj Gen HJ Singh.



MAJ GEN HJ SINGH

Boots and Saddles

Cadets proceeded on Diwali break in the first week of Nov. Cadets were encouraged to go back to their old schools during the break and give presentations on the AFPI. These presentations were very well received in the schools and generated tremendous enthusiasm among the students.

A seminar on Know the Armed Forces was conducted on 09 Nov. Lectures were delivered on the Indian Army by the Director and on the Navy and Air Force by officers from the NCC Directorate. HQ Western Command organised an equipment display in our football ground. This was a great hit with the cadets and was also thrown open to citizens of Mohali.

11 Dec was a proud day for us in AFPI as our alumni from the 1st Course who are in NDA/ NAVAC came back for the Achiever Awards function.



**LT GEN TK SAPRU, FORMER
GOC-in-C, HQ WESTERN
COMMAND WAS THE CHIEF
GUEST FOR THE FUNCTION.**

Details of awards are as under.

Achiever Awards

- 5/B/1 CQMS Abhay Singh Rana
- 6/B/1 BCA Danish Chadha
- 17/A/1 SCC Vishavdeep Singh
- 18/A/1 Cdt Rajat Sarangal
- 23/B/1 SCC Mohit Sharma
- 36/B/1 DCC Ajaypal Singh Waraich
- 37/B/1 CSM Sahil Manhas

Best Cdt Awards: 1st Course.

- Sports - 36/B/1 DCC Ajaypal Singh Waraich
- OLQ - 6/B/1 BCA Danish Chadha
- Academics - 37/B/1 CSM Sahil Manhas
- **Best Cdt - 5/B/1 CQMS Abhay Singh Rana.**

Inter Sqn Academics Competition: 2012 - 13. The overall performance of the sqns in Academics was compiled keeping in view the performance of 1st Course in the CBSE Board exams and 2nd Course in School exams during the year 2012 - 13. The marks secured by the Sqns were as under :-

- (a) First - B Sqn with 734.40 marks.
- (b) Second - A Sqn with 717.58 marks.

Inter Sqn PT. Based on the overall performance of cdt's during PT Tests the winner of the Inter Sqn PT Competition was Bravo Sqn.

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Inter Sqn Volleyball match was played on 18 Oct. A Sqn beat B Sqn to win the Inter Sqn Volleyball for the current year.

Inter Sqn Debate was held on the occasion of Founder's Day on 18 Oct 2013. Topic for the debate was **"Proposed creation of the state of Telengana is a step in the right direction as it will meet the aspirations of the people and also result in good governance."** Lt Gen Harbhajan Singh was the Chief Guest. A Sqn (422.5 points) beat B Sqn (401 points) to win the debate. Individual positions were as under:-

- First - 78/A/2 Cdt Gurvansh Singh Gosal
- Second - 138/A/3 Cdt Nivandeep Singh
- Third - 50/B/2 CSM Vikram Singh

On 28 Oct Maj Gen Raj Mehta delivered a very inspiring lecture on the battle of Rezangla.

Inter Sqn Debate was held on 13 Nov. Topic for the debate was "The United Nations is an anachronism in today's fast changing world and should be restructured." Maj Gen MP Singh was the Chief Guest. Alpha Sqn with 432 points beat Bravo Sqn (415.5 points) to win the Debate. Individual positions were as follows:-

- First - 86/A/2 Cdt Shivamv Sardana
- Second - 88/B/2 Cdt Manjot Singh
- Third - 122/A/3 Cdt Jasmehak Singh

Five debates were held during the year. Three of these were won by Bravo Sqn and two by Alpha Sqn. Thus Bravo Sqn emerged as the overall winner of the Inter Sqn debating Trophy for the year.

Inter Sqn Football was played on 14 Nov. Alpha Sqn beat Bravo Sqn to win the Football trophy for the year.

Inter Sqn Cross Country (Hodson's Run) was held on 28 Nov. Bravo Sqn won the competition. Individual positions were as under:-

- First - 89/A/2 BCC Sanjay Singh Rajput
- Second - 64/B/2 SCC Harsh Partap
- Third - 67/A/2 Cdt Ishnoor Singh Ghuman

Cdts of 3rd Course had submitted project studies on various countries. The following projects were adjudged as the best two projects:-

- First - Project on England submitted by 130/B/3 Cdt Ratinderjit Singh Bajwa and 127/B/3 Cdt Chetan Thakur.
- Second - Project on Pakistan submitted by 105/A/3 Cdt Prabhjeet Singh and 133/A/3 Cdt Jasmeet Singh Bamrah.

A scholarship scheme in honour of late Maj Gen Atma Singh has been initiated by his grandson. Four cadets benefitted from this scholarship based on their overall performance and also economic criteria.

- 51/B/2 Cdt Sukhjinder Singh
- 107/B/3 Cdt Harpreet Singh
- 82/B/2 Cdt Shubham
- 138/A/3 Cdt Nivandeep Singh Dhillon

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Bravo Sqn (415 points) beat Alpha Sqn (386 points) and won the debate. Individual positions were as under:-

- First - 84/B/2 Cdt Sahej Chopra
- Second - 108/B/3 Cdt Shalok Kapoor
- Third - 137/A/3 Cdt Armaanjit Singh Dhaliwal

On 23 May we had the Inter Sqn Hockey in which B Sqn trounced A Sqn by a margin of six goals to one.

Third course were given their Leadership projects prior to their departure for summer break. They also wrote essays on how they would plan to utilize the period of the summer break fruitfully.

On 25 May the junior course proceeded on summer break and the senior course commenced serious work with IMPACT for the NDA entrance exam. Classes for them were conducted throughout the summer break.

On 10 June interviews for the post of Psychologist were conducted. The post fell vacant as the previous Psychologist Lt Col JS Dhiman had left on completion of his period of contractual employment. Brig KD Singh, a retired officer from the Signals, was selected by the interview panel. He joined duty on 01 Jul.

The Chief Minister had desired that another institute on similar lines be established to train girls for joining the armed forces. As a first step in this direction a conference was held in Maha Vir Hall on 02 Jul with the Principal Secretary Higher Education Ms Ravneet Kaur to coordinate various aspects of the proposed institute.

Third course returned from leave on 07 Jul and were issued kit on 09 Jul.

On 20 Jul 3rd Course visited Chhappar Chiri Memorial.



Inter Sqn Debate was held on 24 Jul. Topic for the debate was "IPL has done more harm than good to Indian cricket. IPL should be banned." Bravo Sqn (290.5 points) beat Alpha Sqn (290 points) and won the debate. Individual positions were as under:-

- First - 133/A/3 Cdt Jasmeet Singh Bamrah
- Second - 67/A/2 Cdt Ishnoor Singh Ghuman
- Third - 95/B/3 Cdt Harshdeep Singh Sohi

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3rd Course commenced wearing uniform with effect from 29 Jul.

3rd course cdts had written projects on My Military Hero during the summer vacations. The under mentioned projects were adjudged as the best three projects:-

- First - 114/A/3 Cdt Uday Partap, project on Sam Manekshaw
- Second - 99/A/3 Cdt Rishi Singla, project on Rommel
- Third - 131/B/3 Cdt Tejasvdeep S Chahal, project on Rommel

The NDA entrance exam was held on 11 Aug. Cadets of 2nd Course appeared in the exam. The cadets were sent on short leave till 15 Aug and SSB training for them commenced on their return from leave.

In view of the extreme weather conditions the cadets were permitted to use private coolers in their cabins for the duration of the summer months.

On 16 Aug cadets of third course were given an outing to Chhat Bir Zoo.

Inter Sqn Basketball competition was held on 27 Aug. A Sqn won the competition.

Two days later the first Inter Sqn Firing competition was held. B Sqn (66 points) beat A Sqn (60 points) to win the competition. Individual positions were as under:-

- First - 95/B/3 Cdt Harshdeep Singh Sohi
- Second - 90/B/2 Cdt Ashish Kanwar
- Third - 56/B/2 BCA Preet Kamal Singh

Third Inter Sqn Debate for the year was held on 26 Aug. Topic for the debate was "In order to be a regional power India should lay more emphasis on improving its military might." Brig HS Nagra was the Chief Guest. Bravo Sqn (456 points) beat Alpha Sqn (425 points) and won the debate. Individual positions were as under:-

- First - 75/B/2 Cdt Nishant Rajput
- Second - 56/B/2 BCA Preet Kamal Singh
- Third - 121/A/3 Cdt Saurabh Chopra

Each Sqn comprises three Divisions which are based on the three floors. In order to develop a sense of identity for each Div it was decided to name the Divisions after great military commanders as under:-

- A Sqn - Ground Floor - Alexander
- A Sqn - First Floor - Caesar
- A Sqn - Top Floor - Changhez Khan
- B Sqn - Ground Floor - Napoleon
- B Sqn - First Floor - Patton
- B Sqn - Top Floor - Rommel

The annual Communication Skills seminar was held on 31 Aug. Maj Gen Manmohan Singh was the Chief Guest for the seminar. Students from various schools also attended.

Saragarhi Day was observed on 12 Sep with a presentation on the battle of Saragarhi followed by tea for the cadets.

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3rd Course visited Air Force Station Chandigarh on 14 Sep and Air Force Station Ambala on 10 Oct. The visits were extremely motivating and inspiring.



Lt Gen Philip Campose, Army Commander Western Command visited the institute on 11 Oct. He was briefed in Maha Vir Hall and later went around the institute. He also interacted with cadets over tea in the Cadets Mess.



VISIT - LT GEN PHILIP CAMPOSE, GOC-in-C, WESTERN COMMAND

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In order to generate interest in Tennis and Squash, tournaments were organized in these sports as individual matches.

Result: Tennis

- First - 118/A/3 Cdt Harnoorinder Singh Khosa.
- Second - 95/B/3 SCC Harshdeep Singh Sohi

Result: Squash

- First - 134/B/3 CSM Rahul.
- Second - 99/A/3 Cdt Rishi Singla

13 Nov - Inter Sqn Basketball match was played. B Sqn won 39 - 24.

Inter Sqn Debate was held on 13 Nov. Topic for the debate was **"In order to ensure proper defence of the nation it is necessary to appoint a CDS at the earliest."** A Sqn with 376 points beat B Sqn (365 points). Individual positions were as under:-

- First - 130/B/3 DCC Ratinderjit Singh Bajwa and 178/A/4 Cdt Tejpartap Singh.
- Second - 114/A/3 Cdt Udaipartap Singh Manhas
- Third - 158/B/4 Cdt Karan Singh Cheema

19 Nov - Bharat ko Jano competition was held at the state level. Two of our cdt's distinguished themselves; Cdt Mayank Khanna and Cdt Sukhdev Sharma. Over 60 teams from all over the state participated in the competition. Our team stood third in this event.

18 Nov - Friendly Basketball match was played between the two courses. The senior course won. This was followed by Tug of War in which the Juniors emerged winners.

24 Nov - Art of Study seminar was conducted in PVH. Students from six other schools also attended. Brig Jasbir Singh, SM a war veteran from Hodson's Horse delivered a lecture on Combat Leadership.

25 Nov - Inter Sqn Cross Country (Hodson's Run) was conducted on 25 Nov 2014. B Sqn with 1374 points beat A Sqn (2041 points). Individual positions were as under:-

- 158/B/4 Cdt Karan Singh Cheema
- 160/A/4 Cdt VarunPartap
- 161/B/4 Cdt Arshdeep Singh
- 137/A/3 BCC Armaanjit Singh Dhaliwal
- 162/A/4 Cdt Gurlal Singh
- 164/B/4 Cdt KabirCheema
- 180/B/4 Cdt Tripraj Singh Kang
- 154/B/4 Cdt Harmandeep Singh
- 96/B/3 Cdt AashishGoyal
- 95/B/3 SCC Harshdeep Singh Sohi

01 Dec - The final Inter Sqn Debate for the year was held. Topic for the debate was "Armed Forces Special Powers Act is a draconian law which should be repealed immediately." B Sqn with 496 points beat A Sqn (450 points). Individual positions were as under:-

- First - 128/B/3 Cdt Jashan Jaswal
- Second - 142/B/4 Cdt Shivam Salwan and 148/B/4 Cdt Sahgurbaz Singh

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Cadets proceeded on winter break on 28 Dec. SSB interviews commenced with effect from 02 Jan. Interviews were conducted in various batches during Jan / Feb. Cadets did extremely well and 22 cadets cleared the SSB.

On 08 Jan Brig Vinod Bhat, DCSO HQ Western Command visited the institute. He presented the Inter Sqn Swimming Trophy to the institute on behalf of CSO Western Command.

Entrance exam for the 4th AFPI Course was conducted at three centres on 19 Jan. The centres were Mohali, Jalandhar and Bhatinda. Total number of candidates were 1084.

On 02 Feb 2014 the Chief Minister Sardar Parkash Singh Badal visited the institute. He went around the institute and also interacted with the cadets.

Director along with cadets of 3rd Course visited Amritsar to attend the Foundation stone ceremony of the War Memorial being constructed there. The Chief Minister addressed the audience there and spoke great words of praise for AFPI.

**ON 02 FEB 2014 THE
CHIEF MINISTER SARDAR
PARKASH SINGH BADAL
VISITED THE INSTITUTE**



On 15 Feb 2014, Mr Harish Mehta, a renowned motivational speaker, addressed the cadets on a fascinating subject "The Law of Attraction."

19 Feb - Governor Punjab, Shri Shivraj Patil visited the institute. He was briefed in Maha Vir Hall and also went around the institute. He addressed the cadets in the cadet's mess over a cup of tea.



GOVERNOR PUNJAB, SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL VISITED THE INSTITUTE

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21 Feb - Mr Jagpreet Singh, Principal PPS Nabha visited the institute.

In Mar the board exams of the 2nd Course were held. Also the interviews for the 4th Course were conducted in AFPI. These were followed by medical examination of the candidates declared successful in the interviews.

Closing address and farewell tea for the 2nd Course were held on 24 Mar. Lt Gen PPS Bhandari former Deputy Chief was the Chief Guest on the occasion.



LT GEN PPS BHANDARI, FORMER DEPUTY CHIEF

The following cdts were awarded Academic Torches for scoring more than 85% marks in Class 11:-

- 137/A/3 Cdt Armaanjit Singh Dhaliwal
- 101/B/3 Cdt Chandan Sharma
- 95/B/3 Cdt Harshdeep Singh Sohi
- 110/B/3 Cdt Gagandeep Singh
- 134/B/3 Cdt Rahul

Appointments: 3rd Course.

- BCC - 137/A/3 Cdt Armaanjit Singh Dhaliwal
- BCA - 101/B/3 Cdt Chandan Sharma
- SCC A Sqn - 133/A/3 Cdt Jasmeet Singh Bamrah
- CSM A Sqn - 122/A/3 Cdt Jasmehak Singh
- CQMS A Sqn - 115/A/3 Cdt Mukesh Singh
- SCC B Sqn - 95/B/3 Cdt Harshdeep Singh Sohi
- CSM B Sqn - 134/B/3 Cdt Rahul
- CQMS B Sqn - 110/B/3 Cdt Gagandeep Singh

UPSC entrance exam for NDA 133 was held on 20 April.

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A brief entertainment program was also organized on the occasion of Founder's Day and Group photograph of 3rd Course was held.

18 Oct - 4th Course visited Air Force Station Chandigarh

28 Oct - Second meeting of the Governing Body was held in MVH. The meeting was chaired by the Chief Minister Sardar Parkash Singh Badal. Air Mshl TS Randhawa and Lt Gen RS Sujlana were amongst those who attended.



2nd GOVERNING BODY MEETING & DINNER AT AFPI - 28TH OCT 2014

The Chief Minister expressed his happiness at the fact that 22 cadets had joined NDA this year. Some of the issues discussed were:-

- Possible increase in number of cadets per course. The point was discussed in detail and it was decided that for the time being no increase would be made.
- Existing Basketball court and Tennis court to be made with synthetic surface.
- Construction of Parking sheds.
- Walking track in Saragarhi Park.
- Discipline policy for cadets was approved.

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27 Aug - Lt Gen KJ Singh, Army Commander, Western Command visited the institute. He was briefed in MVH and he also addressed the cadets in PVH.



VISIT - LT GEN KJ SINGH, ARMY COMMANDER, WESTERN COMMAND

28 Aug - A batch of newly inducted PCS officers visited the institute and were briefed by the Director.

29 Aug - Inter Sqn Football for 4th Course. B Sqn beat A Sqn by a margin of 2-1. B Sqn thus emerged as overall winners of Football for the year.

12 Sep - Saragarhi Day was observed with a solemn ceremony in Saragarhi Park.

14 to 28 Sep - 3rd Course excused school.

28 Sep - UPSC exam for NDA 134 Course was conducted. All cdt's of 3rd Course appeared in the exam.

30 Sep - An equipment display was organized in K Area under arrangements of HQ Western Command. Dir AFPI was the Chief Guest on the occasion and he also addressed the spectators. Cadets of AFPI attended.

06 Oct - 4th Course visited Air Force station Ambala and saw fighter aircraft stationed there.

08 Oct - Seminar on Know the Armed Forces was conducted in PVH. Director spoke on the Indian Army and lectures on the Air Force and Navy were conducted by Wg Cdr JS Jeji and Lt Cdr Mannu Virk. Students from various schools also attended. Brig MG Sekharan, NCC Group Commander was the Chief Guest for the seminar.

11 Oct - 4th Course visited Anandpur Sahib.

Inter Sqn debate was held on 17 Oct to mark Founder's Day. The motion for the debate was "The current system followed by UPSC / SSBs for selection of candidates for NDA / NAVAC is out of date and needs to be changed." CSM Jasmehak Singh was the Master of Ceremonies. A Sqn with 431 points beat B Sqn (392 points). Individual positions were as under:-

- First - 137/A/3 BCC Armaanjit Singh Dhaliwal
- Second - 138/A/3 Cdt Nivandeep Singh Dhillon
- Third - 133/A/3 SCC Jasmeet Singh Bamrah

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THE FOURTH YEAR APRIL 2014 TO MAR 2015

Cadets of the 4th Course (**FEARLESS FOURTH**) arrived in the institute on 22 Apr and the opening address was conducted on the next day. The senior course organized a welcome party for the juniors on 30 Apr. In the first week of May self-introductory talks were carried out.



CADETS ON PARADE

Our newly constructed swimming pool was inaugurated on 05 May and swimming training commenced in earnest.

Communication skills seminar was conducted in PVH on 10 May. Maj Gen KS Bajwa was the Chief Guest. Students from various schools also attended the seminar.



SCC Harshdeep Singh Sohi participated in an International Olympiad of English Language and stood first. He won a prize of Rs 15,000/-. Cdt Piyush D Jain won the first position and emerged as State Topper in Science in the International Assessment carried out by University of New South Wales, Australia.

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12 May Lt Gen TS Gill COS Western Command addressed the cadets on the all-important subject of Leadership. The lecture generated tremendous enthusiasm amongst the cadets.

19 May - Lt Gen Kuldip Singh addressed the cadets on Leadership.

21 May - First Inter Sqn Debate for the year was carried out. Brig HS Gill was the Chief Guest. A Sqn with 177 points beat B Sqn (176 points). Individual positions were as follows:-

- First - 169/A/4 Cdt Bhagat Singh Ghuman
- Second - 167/B/4 Cdt Simranjit Singh
- Third - 173/B/4 Cdt Jatinder Singh

22 May - Inter Sqn Hockey match was played. A Sqn beat B Sqn by 5 goals to 1.

26 May - NDA Coaching Classes under arrangements of IMPACT commenced for the 3rd Course.

28 May - Results of the CBSE board exams were declared. All cadets have done well. Cdt Gurvansh Singh Gosal has topped with an overall aggregate of 93.6 %.

09 Jun - Cdts of the 1st Course on leave from NDA visited the institute. They addressed cdts of 3rd Course to motivate them. A small tea party was also organized for them.

17 Jun - 3rd Course firing competition was held. A Sqn beat B Sqn 45 to 41.

07 Jul 4th Course cdts returned from leave. They were welcomed with a haircut.

The under mentioned cdts were awarded book prizes for good project work:-

- First - 141/B/4 Cdt Abhishek Grover
- Second - 147/B/4 Cdt Harjot Singh
- Third - 184/A/4 Cdt Karan Bains

09 to 15 Jul - The first audit of accounts was carried out. It went off smoothly. The accounts clerk Sub Maj Balkar Singh has done a tremendous job.

17 Jul - Inter Sqn Football for 3rd Course. B Sqn beat A Sqn 3-1.

21 Jul - Swimming test conducted for the 4th Course. A Sqn emerged winners by a slender margin. 4th Course cadets commenced wearing uniform.

01 Aug - Inter Sqn Volleyball match for the 4th Course was won by B Sqn. Overall winner of the Volleyball trophy for the year is also B Sqn.

06 Aug - Inter Sqn Firing for the 4th Course was won by A Sqn. Overall winners of the firing competition also was A Sqn. Individual positions were as under:-

- First - 159/A/4 Cdt Dhruv Vir Saini
- Second - 144/A/4 Cdt Roop Singh Dhillon
- Third - 95/B/3 SCC Harshdeep Singh Sohi and 142/B/4 Cdt Shivam Salwan

08 - 09 Aug - The annual Leadership Seminar was conducted in three sessions. Students from various schools also participated. Guest speakers were the following:-

- Brig DS Grewal
- Brig NS Sandhu, MVC
- Lt Gen HRS Mann
- Col (Dr) SPS Bedi



BRIG DS GREWAL

BRIG NS SANDHU

LT GEN HRS MANN

12 Aug - Inter Sqn Debate was held on the topic "UPSC entrance exam for NDA gives too much importance to English. This needs to be reduced." Maj Gen IP Singh was the Chief Guest. B Sqn won the debate. Individual positions were as under:-

- First - 108/B/3 Cdt Shalok Kapoor
- Second - 140/A/4 Cdt Abhimanyu Vinocha
- Third - 187/B/4 Cdt Shahbaig Singh

23 Aug - 4th Course visited 1 Armoured Division at Patiala.

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14 Aug - Swimming training concludes. The final tally is that one cdt of 4th Course and four cadets of 5th Course could not clear the swimming test. The swimming trophy was won by A Sqn and awarded to them on Day Three of the Leadership Seminar.

20 Aug - Brig Subhash Rangi, Dir Sainik Welfare Haryana visited the institute. They want to set up something like this in Haryana.

26 Aug - 5th Course and Lady Cadets of MBAFPI visited 73 Armd Regt at Patiala. They saw tanks and ICVs and experienced a tank ride.

28 Aug - Inter Sqn Firing for 5th Course was held. The overall results for firing this year were A Sqn 91 and B Sqn 66. Individual positions were as under:-

- First - 196/A/5 Cdt Jaideep Singh
- Second - 223/A/5 Cdt Neerpreet Singh

01 Sep - Lt Col SS Rai, SM joined duty as the new GTO. He is from the Rajput Regiment.

10 Sep - A special counseling session was held for cadets and parents of 4th Course in PVH.

10 Sep - Inter Sqn Volleyball match was played. Bravo Sqn won.



12 Sep - Saragarhi day was observed with a solemn ceremony in Saragarhi Park.

15 Sep - SSP Mohali, Sardar Gurpreet Singh Bhullar visited the institute to present a picture of his grandfather Col Joginder Singh who is a VrC awardee.

27 Sep - 39 cadets of 4th Course appeared in the NDA entrance test for 136 Course. Cadets dispersed on short leave after the test.

06 Oct - 5th Course visited Air Force Station Ambala.

10 Oct - Seminar on Know the Armed Forces was conducted. Lady Cadets of MBAFPI also attended. The following talks were conducted:-

- Army by Dir AFPI.
- Navy by Cdr Tejinder Singh
- Air Force by Wg Cdr JS Jeji
- Motivational talk by Wg Cdr HS Kaundal from AFSB.

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The overall winner of the Debating Trophy for the year was A Sqn (3 - 2).

07 Dec - PTC team organized a special coverage of the activities of the cadets in AFPI for screening on the news channel.

10 Dec - Achiever Awards function was organized in the open air auditorium. Lt Gen Amar Aul former Chief of Staff Western Command was the Chief Guest.



LT GEN AMAR AUL

BEST CADET BCC SANJAY RAJPUT



LT GEN KULDIP SINGH, CHAIRMAN PESCO

22 Achievers were honoured with awards. Special prizes were given to the following:-

- Best sportsman - SCC Harsh Partap
- Best in Academics - CQMS Gurvansh Singh Gosal
- Best in OLQ - BCA Preet Kamal Singh
- Best Cadet - BCC Sanjay Singh Rajput

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Inter Sqn PT Trophy was won by B Sqn. PT badges were also awarded to cdt.

- 114/A/3 Cdt Uday Partap Singh Manhas
- 123/A/3 Cdt Jitin Krishnan
- 125/A/3 Cdt Puneetinder Singh Sekhon
- 137/A/3 BCC Armaanjit Singh Dhaliwal
- 95/B/3 SCC Harshdeep Singh Sohi
- 102/B/3 Cdt Arshdeep Singh
- 124/B/3 Cdt Bikramjit Singh
- 160/A/4 Cdt Varun Partap
- 139/B/4 Cdt Manmeet Singh
- 142/B/4 Cdt Shivam Salwan
- 153/B/4 Cdt Shahbazbir Singh
- 154/B/4 Cdt Harmandeep Singh
- 158/B/4 Cdt Karan Singh Cheema
- 161/B/4 Cdt Arshdeep Singh

12 Dec - Baba Sewa Singhji from Khadur Sahib visited the institute. He is planning to set up a similar institute called Nishan e Sikhi Preparatory institute at Khadur Sahib.

05 Jan - NDA entrance exam results for NDA 134 were announced. 26 cadets of 3rd Course and 3 cdt of previous courses have cleared the exam.

11 Jan - Entrance test for 5th AFPI course was conducted at three centres Mohali, Jalandhar and Bhatinda. Total number of candidates were 2371.

25 Jan - First batch of cadets proceed for SSB.

Feb - Interviews conducted for 5th Course.

16 Feb - A seminar on 1965 war was conducted in Punjabi University. Key note address was delivered by the Director. Cadets of 4th Course attended the seminar.

20 Feb - Academic torches awarded to cdt for securing more than 80% marks in the SAs:-

- 167/B/4 Cdt Simranjit Singh
- 151/A/4 Cdt Sukhdev Sharma
- 146/A/4 Cdt Sorubh Partap Singh
- 149/B/4 Cdt Sehaj Sharma
- 154/B/4 Cdt Harmandeep Singh

24 Feb - Self appraisal for NDA entrance test and SSB by 4th Course.

02 to 30 Mar - CBSE board exams for 3rd Course conducted.

Three cadets have excelled in the International Olympiad for Maths and obtained the first three positions in the state:-

- Cdt Keshav Sharma
- Cdt Manmeet Singh
- Cdt Gagandeep Singh Dhami

Boots and Saddles

15 Jul - 5th Course started wearing uniform.

25 Jul - Inauguration ceremony of MBAFPI was held. Our cadets attended. The Chief Minister in his address was full of praise for our institute. The Raksha Mantri, Shri Manohar Parrikar was the Chief Guest. Maj Gen IP Singh an armoured corps officer has been appointed as Dir MBAFPI.

27 Jul - Cdt attended the filming of PTC programme on AFPI in the PTC studio.

10 Aug - Inter Sqn Football match was played. B Sqn beat A Sqn 4-0.

11 Aug - 5th Course visited Air Force Station Chandigarh and saw various types of air craft. On the next day they proceeded to K Area for an equipment display organized by HQ Western Command.



CADETS WITNESSED EQUIPMENT DISPLAY AT 'K' AREA

Director AFPI has been formally re designated as Director General Armed Forces Preparatory Institutes so as to be in a better position to coordinate joint training of Maharaja Ranjit Singh AFPI and MBAFPI.

Leadership seminar was organized in three sessions. Lady Cadets of MBAFPI also attended. This was the first joint training event for both institutes.

- 11 Aug - Qualities of a Good Leader. Brig Pradeep Sharma and Maj Gen IP Singh were the speakers.
- 13 Aug - Leadership in Combat. Maj Gen ADS Grewal and Lt Gen BS Jaswal were the guest speakers.
- 17 Aug - Future Leadership Challenges. Maj Gen GS Lamba and Lt Gen Chetinder Singh were the guest speakers.

**LT GEN BS JASWAL, FORMER ARMY
COMMANDER NORTHERN COMMAND**



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We conducted Inter Sqn firing for 4th Course on 10 Jun. Four firers per sqn took part.

We hosted a lunch for all Alumni on 17 Jun in the cadet's mess. 61 alumni cadets attended the lunch. The proceedings commenced with a briefing in PVH by the Director. Alumni cadets were also asked to share their views/ memories. Cadets were extremely nostalgic to be back. This was followed by lunch. Some cadets stayed back after lunch to have a swim in the pool.



CADETS AFTER THE ALUMNI LUNCH



INA CADETS PRESENTING A COFFEE TABLE BOOK TO THE INSTITUTE

On 18 Jun - We conducted interviews for the post of GTO. Also on this day the first round of interviews for girls who are candidates for Mai Bhago AFPI were conducted in our institute as the infra-structure there is still not ready. Interview for the post of GTO in MBAFPI was held in MVH on 24 Jun.

30 Jun - A conference was held in the Chief Minister's residence to finalise details of the inauguration ceremony of MBAFPI.

02 Jul - Chief of Staff HQ 2 Corps Maj Gen NP Singh visited the institute.

08 Jul 5th Course returned from leave.

10 Jul - The boundary wall of the swimming pool collapsed due to heavy rain. It appears that the pool is leaking and water has leaked into the foundations of the boundary wall as well. The matter was reported to GMADA with a request for urgent repairs.

11 Jul - 5th Course visited Chhappar Chiri memorial and on 18 Jul they visited Anandpur Sahib.

20 Jul - Inter Sqn Debate was conducted. The topic was "We must seek peace with Pakistan. Talks are the best way forward". A Sqn speaking against the motion won the debate with 154 points as against 132 points scored by B Sqn. Individual positions were as under:-

- First - 190/A/5 Sgt Harshveer Mand
- Second - 188/A/5 Sgt Pranjal Kapil
- Third - 205/B/5 Cdt Vishvajeet Singh

5th - Course had written leadership projects on "My Military Hero". Based on the quality of project work and the presentations thereafter the following cadets were awarded book prizes:-

- First - 190/A/5 Sgt Harshveer Mand
- Second - 209/B/5 Sgt Sukhmandeep Singh
- Third - 193/A/5 Cdt Sukumar Pathania

Boots and Saddles

Closing address for 3rd Course was held on 24 Mar. Lt Gen MS Buttar was the Chief Guest.



19 Apr - NDA entrance exam was conducted. Interview for the post of Dir Mai Bhago AFPI was conducted in Punjab Bhavan. Dir was a member of the interview panel. Maj Gen IP Singh was selected for the post of Dir MBAFPI.

Platinum Award for Excellence in Academics were presented in School to the following cadets:-

- 137/A/3 BCC Armaanjit Singh Dhaliwal
- 101/B/3 BCA Chandan Sharma
- 133/A/3 SCC Jasmeet Singh Bamrah
- 134/B/3 CSM Rahul
- 122/A/3 CSM Jasmehak Singh
- 110/B/3 CQMS Gagandeep Singh

Officiating appointments of the 4th Course were appointed as under:-

- Officiating BCC - 167/B/4 Cdt Simranjit Singh
- Officiating BCA - 186/A/4 Cdt Mayank Khanna
- Officiating SCC A Sqn - 151/A/4 Cdt Sukhdev Sharma
- Officiating SCC B Sqn - 154/B/4 Cdt Harmandeep Singh

Cdt Gurvansh Singh Gosal has done us proud by being Number One in the list of cadets joining NDA 133 Course. A great achievement by him.



THE FIFTH YEAR
APRIL 2015 TO MAR 2016

Cadets of the Fifth Course (**FEROCIOUS FIFTH**) arrived on 21 Apr. They were briefed by the Warden and also by cadet appointments of the 4th Course on arrival. On 22 Apr they went to school and had the opening address on return from school. We also commenced a 'Talent Hunt' to identify first termers who were good at games. In the first week the cadets were also made to give out their self-introductory talks.

The preparations of the 4th Course for the NDA entrance test were severely impeded by a sudden emergence of Chicken Pox amongst the cadets. Any cadet who showed the slightest symptoms of Chicken Pox was immediately sent on leave. In addition the entire course had to be sent on leave from 30 Apr to 06 May to arrest the spread of Chicken Pox. These interruptions were extremely unfortunate as they served to break the momentum of studies and were considerably demoralizing.

On 07 May we had a guest lecture on Leadership by Lt Gen Kuldeep Singh, Chairman PESCO. Soon thereafter, on 09 May we conducted a seminar on Communication Skills. As a part of this seminar the following lectures were conducted:-

- Art of Public Speaking by Dir AFPI
- Body language by Col HS Chauhan
- Debating Technique by Col RD Singh
- Improve your Written Expression by Col Avnish Sharma.



LT GEN KULDIP SINGH, CHAIRMAN PESCO.

On 11 May the first Inter Sqn Debate for the year was conducted in PVH. The topic was "**Leaders are born not made**". A Sqn with 162 points beat B Sqn (151 points). Individual positions were as under:-

- First - Cdt Arunav Laroia
- Second - Cdt Karambir Singh
- Third - Cdt Sukumar Pathania

D Day countdown also commenced on 11 May being D minus 139.

On 18 May we had a very inspiring lecture by Maj Gen Raj Mehta on the subject "An officer and a Gentleman."

The first Inter Sqn sports event was conducted on 19 May. A Sqn beat B Sqn in Hockey. Soon thereafter, on 21 May, 5th Course proceeded on summer break.

On 31 May, Col HS Chauhan the GTO left the institute on completion of his period of contractual employment. During his stay with AFPI he had made a tremendous contribution in terms of quality training.

Swimming training for 4th Course commenced on 01 Jun. Merit List for NDA 134 was announced on 02 Jun. Cdt Armaanjit Singh Dhaliwal is at 14th position and Cdt Piyush D Jain is at 19th rank.



CADETS AT THE SWIMMING POOL



On 02 Jun the Chief Minister Sardar Parkash Singh Badal visited the institute at 1800 hrs. He was briefed by the Director in MVH. After that he interacted with cadets in LH 1.

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21 May - 6th Course proceeded on summer vacations. 5th Course however had to stay back for NDA studies.

CBSE Class 12 results of 4th Course were announced. Cdt Sahgurbaz Singh has topped in Academics.

31 May - A proud and historic day for all AFPIANS as six of our cadets of the 1st Course in 130 NDA Course have passed out from NDA. Director attended the POP in Khadakwasla. The parade was reviewed by Lt Gen Bipin Rawat, GOC in C Southern Command.



25 Jun - Cadets of 5th Course attended a special programme at Chhappar Chiri to mark the 300th Anniversary of Baba Banda Singh Bahadur. The Chief Minister was the Chief Guest at the function.

03 Jul - 6th Course returned from leave and kit issued to the cadets. Swimming training commenced.

09 Jul - 6th course carried out presentations on "My Military Hero". Prizes for the best projects were awarded to:-

- First - 279/B/6 Cdt Vivian Singh Khural
- Second - 278/A/6 Cdt Shubhdeep Singh Aulakh

18 Jul - 6th Course commenced wearing uniform.

Leadership Seminar was conducted for our cadets as well as Lady Cadets of MBAFPI as under:-

- 18 Jul - Qualities of a Good Leader. Maj Gen VK Bhat was the Chief Guest.
- 20 Jul - Leadership in Combat. Maj Gen Rajesh Bawa was the Chief Guest.
- 21 Jul - Future Leadership Challenges. Maj Gen IP Singh was the Chief Guest.



MAJ GEN VK BHAT



**MAJ GEN RAJESH BAWA,
DG CPYTE**

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12 Oct - Inter Sqn Debate on the topic "Women should be given Combat Roles in the Armed Forces". Judges were Lady Cadets from MBAFPI. B Sqn (415 pts) beat A Sqn (383 pts) to win the debate. Individual positions were as under:-

- (a) First - 167/B/4 BCC Simranjit Singh
- (b) Second - 142/B/4 Cdt Shivam Salwan
- (c) Third - 175/A/4 Cdt Gurjotpreet Singh

17 Oct - Founder's Day celebrations were held. A brief entertainment programme was organized followed by dinner.



19 Oct - Rao Rajinder Singh Dy Speaker of Rajasthan State Assembly visited the institute. They want to set up a similar institute in Rajasthan. He was briefed in MVH and went around the institute. Also on the same day we had 60 school teachers from PSEB who visited.

26 Oct - Fourth Inter Sqn Debate was held on the topic "Death penalty should be abolished". B Sqn (386 pts) beat A Sqn (377 pts) to win the debate. Individual positions were as under:-

- First - 227/B/5 Cdt Gurkamal Singh
- Second - 212/B/5 Cdt Mehtab Kamal
- Third - 211/B/5 Cdt Opinderjit Singh

27 Oct - Inter Sqn Cross Country (Hodson's Run) was conducted. B Sqn won. Individual positions were as under:-

- First - Cdt Karan Singh Cheema
- Second - Cdt Vishvajit Singh
- Third - Cdt ArunavLaroiya
- Fourth - Cdt KK Srivastva
- Fifth - Cdt Lovepreet Singh
- Sixth - Cdt Gaurav Saini
- Seventh - Cdt Opinderjit Singh
- Eighth - Cdt Ajaypartap Singh
- Ninth - Cdt Loveneet Singh
- Tenth - SCC Gurlal Singh

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Results of the Squash tournament were as under :-

- First - 193/A/5 Cdt Sukumar Singh Pathania
- Second - 185/B/4 DCC Jashanpreet Singh

02 Nov - Group photograph of 4th Course.

07 Nov - Seminar on Art of Study conducted in PVH. Lady cadets of MBAFPI and students from two schools also attended. Subjects covered were Speed Reading; Memory Isometrics; Stress management; Examination Techniques.

09 Nov - Inter Sqn Debate was conducted on the topic "Brains will be of greater importance than brawn in future wars. We should reduce the emphasis on PT in AFPI." A Sqn (446 pts) beat B Sqn (403 pts) to win the debate.

Individual positions were:-

- First - 233/A/5 Cdt Udaypal Singh Mann
- Second - 198/A/5 Cdt KK Srivastava
- Third - 158/B/4 Cdt Karan Singh Cheema

Five debates were held during the current year. The first two debates were won by A Sqn and the third and fourth debates were won by B Sqn. The fifth debate was won by A Sqn. The winner of the Inter Sqn Debating trophy therefore was A Sqn.

During the Diwali break a large number of cadets were given additional leave in order to enable them to make presentations on AFPI in their old schools.

Three sessions of Inter Sqn lecturretes were conducted. Winners in each session were as follows:-

23 Nov - B Sqn won. Individual positions were as under:-

- First - 190/A/5 Cdt Harshveer Singh Mand.
- Second - 167/B/4 BCC Simranjit Singh
- Third - 205/B/5 Cdt Vishvajit Singh

01 Dec A Sqn won. Individual positions were as under:-

- First - 154/B/4 BCA Harmandeep Singh.
- Second - 178/A/4 Cdt Tejpartap Singh
- Third - 149/B/4 Cdt Sehaj Sharma

07 Dec B Sqn won. Individual positions were as under:-

- First - 139/B/4 SCC Manmeet Singh.
- Second - 151/A/4 CQMS Sukhdev Sharma
- Third - 168/B/4 Cdt Armaandeeep Singh Cheema

The overall winner of the Inter Sqn Lecturretes for the year was B Sqn.

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**THE SIXTH YEAR
APRIL 2016 TO MAR 2017**

The Sixth Course joined on 23 April and was named '**SURE SHOTS**' as we expect the course to do extremely well. They were put through the reception routine of Hair Cut, briefing by the Warden and by Cadet Appointments and a Welcome Party. Opening address was held on 25 April and this was followed over the next few days by a Talent Hunt in various sports. In the first few weeks we had a lot of problems with home sickness and a number of cadets including some of the 5th Course opted out. This was naturally disappointing and reserves were summoned to fill the voids.

As regards infra structural improvement there is some good news the Car Park shed has been finally completed so our vehicles will not get roasted during the summer months.

05 May - Lt Gen Kuldeep Singh delivered a very comprehensive talk on Leadership for both courses.

10 May - Countdown starts for 5th Course. Today is D minus 131. This year we have started the IMPACT classes much earlier. The schedule has also been re structured in consultation with the school so as to enable the cadets to focus better on both Academics as well as the NDA preparation.

14 May - Seminar on Communication Skills was held for 6th Course. Cdt Tegjeet Singh was the MC. Lectures were conducted on the following:-

- Art of Public Speaking by Dir AFPI
- Body Language by Brig KD Singh
- Debating Technique by Col RD Singh
- How to Improve your Written Expression by Mrs Davinder Kaur from Shemrock.



COL RD SINGH WITH CADETS

19 May - The sports season commenced with Inter Sqn Hockey in which A Sqn beat Bravo 2-1 to win the trophy.

The first Inter Sqn Debate of the year was also held on 19 May in which A Sqn (164 points) beat B Sqn (154 Points). The topic for the debate was "**To make up the deficiency of officers in the armed forces we should have conscription in India**". Individual positions were as under:-

- First - 275/A/6 Cdt Tegjeet Singh
- Second - 188/A/5 DCC Pranjal Kapil
- Third - 280/B/6 Cdt Raghav Arora

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18 Feb - Chief Minister Sardar Parkash Singh Badal visited the institute. He was briefed in MVH and interacted with the cdt's thereafter. He expressed happiness with the results achieved by us so far.



01 Mar - Board exams of 4th Course commence. Exams finished on 28 Mar.

05 Mar - A delegation of over 100 war decorated officers visited the institute. Director along with 15 cadets attended a state dinner in honour of the decorated officers in Punjab Bhavan.



15 Mar - Closing address of 4th Course was conducted in PVH. The following awards were made:-

- Sports Banner - B Sqn
- Academics Banner - B Sqn
- Champion Sqn - B Sqn

The under mentioned cdt's of 5th course were awarded Academic Torch for having scored over 85 % marks in the SA 1:-

- 199/A/5 Cdt Aadarsh Chauhan
- 200/B/5 Cdt Abhishek Jagota
- 223/A/5 Cdt Neerpreet Singh
- 235/B/5 Cdt Pinaki Kaushal
- 209/B/5 Cdt Sukhmandeep Singh
- 219/B/5 Cdt Arshdeep Singh
- 230/B/5 Cdt Loveneet Singh
- 194/A/5 Cdt Lovepreet Singh
- 210/B/5 Cdt Karambir Singh
- 213/A/5 Cdt Jaskaran Singh

28 Mar - Dispersal of 4th Course. Appointment badges given to 5th Course.

05 Apr - Dir, all officers and 25 cadets went to the DD Studio for a TV Programme filming.

17 Apr - UPSC entrance exam for NDA held.

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Following a request received from cadets including alumni, a T shirt has been made for the cadets. It is maroon in colour and has the AFPI badge on it.

10 Dec - Achiever Awards function was held in the open air auditorium.



Lt Gen SR Ghosh former Army Cdr Western Command was the Chief Guest.



All cadets who had joined NDA / NAVAC during the year were honoured. Special prizes were given to the following:-

- Best in Academics - Cdt Chetan Thakur
- Best in Sports - Cdt Bikramjit Singh
- Best in OLQ - SCC Harshdeep Singh Sohi
- **Best all round cadet BCC Armaanjit Singh Dhaliwal**

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Gen Ghosh announced a scholarship of Rs 10,000/ for a needy and deserving cadet. Based on criteria laid down the scholarship for this year was awarded to 238/A/5 Cdt Simranjit Singh.

Parents of cadets who have joined NDA 134 Course presented a magnificent statue of an infantry soldier in combat gear to the institute. This has been placed in the lawn on a platform. We intend to develop this area as a Valour Park.



In the afternoon a friendly Volleyball match was played between the two courses in which the juniors beat the seniors convincingly. 5th Course hosted a farewell party for the 4th Course that evening. On 17 Dec the 4th Course took sweet revenge for the Volleyball match by beating the juniors 2-1 in Football.

18 Dec - Inter Sqn Basketball match was played on the Shemrock ground as our own ground is under repairs getting a synthetic surface. B Sqn beat A Sqn 41-15.

23 Dec - 5th Course beat 4th Course in Hockey 3-0.

29 Dec - Bravo Sqn won the PT competition by a margin of 367 points to 128. The under mentioned cdt's were awarded PT Badge for having cleared all Basic, Higher and Excellence tests and being in acceptable weight category:-

- 158/B/4 Cdt Karan Singh Cheema
- 167/B/4 BCC Simranjit Singh
- 173/B/4 Cdt Jatinder Singh
- 161/B/4 Cdt Arshdeep Singh
- 194/A/5 Cdt Lovepreet Singh
- 197/A/5 Cdt ArunavLaroiya
- 238/A/5 Cdt Simranjit Singh
- 192/B/5 Cdt Prateek Raj Chaudhary

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- 210/B/5 Cdt Karambir Singh
- 211/B/5 Cdt Opinderjit Singh
- 230/B/5 Cdt Loveneet Singh
- 232/B/5 Cdt Rajdeep Singh
- 205/B/5 Cdt Vishvadeep Singh

30 Dec - Tennis and Basketball courts have been re-laid with synthetic surfaces. A great value addition to our sports infra-structure. Cdt's dispersed for winter vacations.



01 Jan - Results of the entrance test for NDA 136 held on 27 Sep were announced today. 12 cdt's of the 4th Course and two cdt's of the third course have cleared the exam.

05 Jan - Question papers for the AFPI entrance exam for 6th Course were printed today. The test was conducted at three centres on 10 Jan - Mohali (1261), Jalandhar (1258) and Bhatinda (361). Total - 2880. Results were ready by 15 Jan and this was followed by interviews commencing 21 Jan. By 10 Feb all interviews were over. Of the 155 candidates called for interview, 80 were short listed for medical. 25 were found medically unfit (mostly overweight) and have been directed to get their re medical done by 01 Apr.

10 Jan - Cdt's return from winter break.

16 Feb - Self appraisal by 5th Course and preparation of self-motivation charts.

09 Feb - 60 teachers from PSEB visited the institute.

15 Feb - 5th Course commence their Class 12 session. Their PCM classes are being conducted in the institute itself.

The following cdt's of 5th Course were made officiating appointments

- 210/B/5 Cdt Karambir Singh offg BCC.
- 213/A/5 Cdt Jaskaran Singh offg BCA
- 199/A/5 Cdt AadarshChauhan offg SCC A Sqn
- 194/A/5 Cdt Lovepreet Singh offg CSM A Sqn
- 223/A/5 Cdt Neerpreet Singh offg CQMS A Sqn
- 230/B/5 Cdt Loveneet Singh offg SCC B Sqn
- 219/B/5 Cdt Arshdeep Singh offg CSM B Sqn
- 235/B/5 Cdt Pinaki Kaushal offg CQMS B Sqn

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30 Dec - All cdts dispersed for winter vacations till 10 Jan.

07 Jan - SSB interviews of successful cadets of 5th Course commenced. Large number of cadets are going to Allahabad in three batches. Cdt Snehal Singh Toor joined IMA 142 Course bringing our Achiever's tally to 62.

08 Jan - Entrance test for the 7th AFPI course was conducted at three centres as under:-

- Mohali - 820 candidates
- Jalandhar - 848 candidates
- Patiala - 370 candidates

Papers were evaluated in MVH and results were put up on the website on 17 Jan. Interviews commenced on 24 Jan. 150 candidates were called for interviews in five batches in Jan / Feb. Of these 79 candidates were short listed for medical which was conducted in Sohana Hospital.

13 Jan - A small Lohri function was organized for the cadets.

UPSC notification for NDA 139 was put up on the website on 18 Jan and cadets of 5th Course completed the admission form formalities.

Our new GTO, Brig RS Grewal joined duty on 23 Jan. He is an Armoured Corps officer with vast experience in SSB. We welcome Brig Grewal to the team. He has been appointed Sqn Cdr B Sqn cum Training Officer.



THE TEAM- BRIG KD SINGH, DIRECTOR, BRIG RS GREWAL



GROUP PHOTOGRAPH WITH LADY CADETS OF MBAFPI

25 Jul - B Sqn beat A Sqn 4-0 to win the Inter Sqn Football.

Inter Sqn Debate was held on 25 Jul. The topic for the debate was "India a massive success, not a colossal failure". B Sqn beat A Sqn 139 - 132 to win the debate. Individual positions were as under:-

- First - 212/B/5 SCC Mehtab Kamal
- Second - 279/B/6 Cdt Vivian Singh Khural
- Third - 242/A/5 Cdt Prabhnoor Singh

05 Aug - Inter Sqn Firing competition was held. Bravo beat Alpha 57- 31 to win the competition. Individual positions were as under:-

- First - 271/B/6 Cdt Sahil Saini
- Second - 192/B/5 Cdt Prateek Raj Chaudhri and 250/B/6 Cdt Gurbir Singh Sohla

06 Aug - 6th Course witnessed an equipment display organised in K Area by HQ Western Command.

08 Aug - Inter Sqn Debate was held in PVH. The topic for the debate was "The only solution to the Kashmir problem is for India to wage a decisive war with Pakistan." A Sqn (171.5 points) beat B Sqn (151 Points). Individual positions were as under:-

- First - 291/A/6 Cdt Taranjot Singh
- Second - 198/A/5 Cdt KK Srivastava
- Third - 255/B/6 Cdt Hardik Chopra

AFPI caps have been designed and made for cadets. Instructions have been issued regarding occasions on which these caps may be worn.

15 Aug - 5th Course attended the Independence Day function in Mohali. The Chief Minister unfurled the National Flag.

16 Aug - Inter Sqn Volleyball, Bravo beat Alpha 2-0.

Tennis coaching was organized for 6th Course. This generated tremendous enthusiasm.

29 Aug - Dinner Night was organized in the Cadet's Mess to bid farewell to Lt Col SS Rai the GTO who is leaving us on completion of his period of contractual employment. Col Rai has very generously presented a rifle with a helmet to commemorate the Unknown Soldier. A welcome addition to our institute.

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31 Aug - Swimming season concludes. B Sqn wins the trophy.

10 Sep - 6th Course with Lady Cdts of MBAFPI visits the Armoured Division at Nabha / Patiala.

13 Sep - Saragarhi Day observed with a solemn ceremony in Saragahi Park.

18 Sep - D Day for 5th Course. 41 cdts appeared in the NDA entrance exam. Cdts proceeded on short leave thereafter. The paper was "tough and lengthy".

Military History Seminar was conducted as under:-

- 26 Sep - Lectures on 1947 war, 1962 War, 1965 war by Dir AFPI. Lady Cdts also attended.
- 29 Sep - Lectures on 1971 War (Col PS Gill); IPKF (Maj Gen IP Singh) and Kargil (Brig KD Singh). Chief Guest was Maj Gen AS Bakshi.



GROUP PHOTOGRAPH OF GUESTS: MILITARY HISTORY SEMINAR

01 Oct - 6th Course visited Rock Garden.

03 Oct - Fourth Inter Sqn Debate was conducted. The topic for the debate was "The nonaligned movement has become irrelevant in the post-cold war era. India should discontinue membership of NAM". A Sqn (132 points) beat B Sqn (119 points). Individual positions were as under:-

- First - 197/A/5 CSM Arunav Laroiya
- Second - 270/B/6 Cdt Gurpartap Singh Dhillon
- Third - 278/A/6 Cdt Shubhdeep Singh Aulakh.

06 Oct - 6th Course visited Air Force Station Ambala.

Tennis matches were organized. 290/B/6 Cdt Archit Juneja was the winner and 208/A/5 Cdt Manjot Singh Dhillon was the Runner up.

13 Oct - Team from PR department of the Punjab government visited the institute to do some filming.

14 Oct - Ms Bhanu Gahlot from USI and Mr MS Bajwa (Hindustan Times) visited the institute in connection with the "India Remembers" programme. We promised to participate in activities depending upon the schedule of the cadets.

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PT Badges were awarded to:-

- 199/A/5 Cdt Aadarsh Chauhan
- 215/A/5 Cdt Preetinder pal Singh Batth
- 232/B/5 Cdt Rajdeep Singh
- 246/A/6 Cdt Harshit
- 247/A/6 Cdt Simarpreet Singh
- 251/A/6 Cdt Tarunvir Singh
- 257/A/6 Cdt Raghav Sharma
- 258/A/6 Cdt Armaandeep Singh Sodhi
- 273/A/6 Cdt Jaskaran Singh
- 278/A/6 Cdt Shubhdeep Singh
- 243/B/6 Cdt Gaurav Chauhan
- 244/B/6 Cdt Bhargav
- 260/B/6 Cdt Japneet Singh
- 261/B/6 Cdt Shivam Khanna
- 279/B/6 Cdt Vivian Singh Khural
- 287/B/6 Cdt Amol Gautam
- 290/B/6 Cdt Archit Juneja
- 270/B/6 Cdt Gurpartap Singh Dhillon

15 Dec - Governing Body meeting of AFPI and MBAFPI was held in the Conference Room of MBAFPI. The Chief Minister chaired the meeting. The Chief Minister directed GMADA to carry out all pending construction and maintenance works on priority. He also said that the amount required for the corpus fund would be made available soon. He complimented Dir AFPI on the achievements of the institute and hoped that the institute would continue to do well in future as well.

22 Dec - 90 students attending the Round Square Conference being hosted by YPS Patiala visited the institute. They were briefed in PVH, went around the Institute and had lunch in the Cdts Mess.



24 Dec - Shemrock Sr Secy School hosted an Alumni meet. Brig KD Singh and some cdts attended the meet.

25 Dec - On the occasion of Christmas the 6th Course hosted a farewell party for the 5th Course.

29 Dec - Officiating appointments of 6th Course were announced. These appointments will take charge with effect from 10 Jan on return from leave.

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09 Dec - Art of Study seminar was conducted in the new auditorium of Shemrock. Lt Gen GD Singh, former Deputy Chief, was the Chief Guest. Cdts of 6th Course, LCs of MBAFPI and students from various schools attended.



The following talks were conducted:-

- Speed Reading and Memory Techniques by Dir.
- Time Management by Brig KD Singh
- Exam Technique by Mr Rajwinder Singh Dir FOCUS.
- Tips from Toppers by Cdts, LCs and students.

14 Dec - Achiever Awards ceremony was conducted in the Open Air Auditorium. Maj Gen RPS Bhandari was the Chief Guest.



All Achievers were honoured, PT Badges were awarded and the PT Trophy was given to B Sqn. B Sqn also won the Sports Banner. Special prizes were given to the following:-

- Best in Academics - 148/B/4 CQMS Sahgurbaz Singh
- Best in Sports - 158/B/4 Cdt Karan Singh Cheema
- Best in OLQ - 162/A/4 SCC Gurlal Singh
- **Best Cdt - 167/B/4 BCC Simranjit Singh**

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17 Oct - Lecturretes were conducted for 6th Course on prepared subjects. Cdt of 5th Course were also in attendance. Eight cdts per sqn spoke on various subjects. A Sqn scored 525 points and B Sqn scored 508 points. Individual positions were as under:-

- First - 278/A/6 Cdt Shubhdeep Singh Aulakh
- Second - 280/B/6 Cdt Raghav Arora

17 Oct - Group photograph of 5th Course.

19 Oct - 6th Course visited Air Force Station Chandigarh.

20 Oct - Founder's Day celebrated. This was marked by the fifth and final inter sqn debate for which the Chief Guest was Maj Gen JS Sidhu and judges were Col GS Purewal, Col Pervinder Singh and Ms Seema Benipal.



The topic for the debate was **"So called Surgical Strikes by India are not a good solution. We need to explore Diplomatic and Economic options as the problem cannot be resolved militarily."** A Sqn won the debate and also the overall debating trophy for the year. Individual positions were as under:-

- First - 275/A/6 Cdt Tegjeet Singh
- Second - 188/A/5 BCA Pranjal Kapil
- Third - 235/B/5 Cdt Pinaki Kaushal

We also had a brief entertainment programme and Academic Torches were awarded to the following cadets of 6th Course who had scored more than 85 % marks.

- 264/A/6 Cdt Jitesh Garg
- 275/A/6 Cdt Tegjeet Singh
- 282/B/6 Cdt Madhav Sabharwal
- 280/B/6 Cdt Raghav Arora
- 286/B/6 Cdt Aashray Thukral

22 Oct - Director, appointment cadets of 5th Course and all cadets of 6th Course proceeded to Amritsar for the inauguration ceremony of the War Memorial. The Chief Minister, Dy CM and the Education Minister addressed the audience. All three of them mentioned the institute in glowing terms. Cdts and Lady Cadets sang the hymn 'Deh Shiva bar Mohe.'

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25 Oct - Inter Sqn Cross Country was held. 78 of the 80 cdts took part. B Sqn won the competition. Prizes were given away by our ex Cdt Karan Cheema who is now at NDA and was an ace cross country runner while he was here and is a medalist at NDA too. Individual positions were as under:-

- 205/B/5 Cdt Vishvajit Singh
- 293/A/6 Cdt Gurshakti Singh
- 197/A/5 CSM Arunav Laroia
- 273/A/6 Cdt Jaskaran Singh
- 251/A/6 Cdt Taranvir Singh
- 290/A/6 Cdt Archit Juneja
- 198/A/5 Cdt Krishna Kumar Srivastava
- 270/B/6 Cdt Gurpartap Singh Dhillon
- 287/B/6 Cdt Amol Gautam
- 278/A/6 Cdt Shubhdeep Singh

26 Oct - Cdt Tegjeet Singh and Cdt Taranjot Singh representing Shemrock secured second position in a debate conducted at CGC Landran.

03 Nov - Inter Sqn Lecturretes for 5th Course. Eight cdts per sqn delivered extempore talks on a topic to be selected from amongst four possible topics. B Sqn with 519 points beat A Sqn 511 points. However the overall winner of the Inter Sqn lecturretes was A Sqn, Individual positions were as under:-

- First - 188/A/5 BCA Pranjali Kapil
- Second - 212/B/5 SCC Mehtab Kamal
- Third - 242/A/5 DCC Prabhnoor Singh

09 Nov - Squash tournament concludes. Winners were as follows:-

- First - 242/A/5 DCC Prabhnoor Singh
- Second - 239/B/5 Cdt Rishabh Sharma
- Third - 221/A/5 DCC Ajay Raj Karan Singh

11 Nov - A great surprise for all of us as the UPSC has announced the NDA entrance test results much earlier than anticipated. 26 of the 41 cadets have cleared the exam. An excellent performance by the 5th Course.

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12 Nov - Know the Armed Forces seminar was conducted in PVH. All our cadets and 25 Lady Cadets attended the seminar. Maj Gen HJ Singh was the Chief Guest. Brig Ajay Chauhan DDG NCC was also present.



The following events were carried out:-

- Two minutes silence to commemorate Remembrance Day.
- Poems "In Flanders Field" and "We shall remember" were recited.
- Lecture on Indian Army by Dir.
- Lecture on Indian Navy by Cmde Bal Rajesh Singh
- Lecture on Indian Air force by Wg Cdr Anant Pujari

13 Nov - Dir along with two cadets, Cdt Harjot Singh and Cdt Bhargav, took part in a cycling event in Patiala "I Ride with India".

17 Nov - Interview held for the post of GTO in MVH. The post was created after Col Rai left on 01 Sep.

24 Nov - Inter Sqn Basketball match was played. B Sqn beat A Sqn 43-35.

25 Nov - Team from ZEE News Punjabi visited the institute and did some filming.

26 Nov - At last we have a land line connection. BSNL phones were installed on 26 Nov 2016.

VISITORS / GUEST SPEAKERS: 2013

Date	Name	Remarks
29-Jan	Mr MS Bajwa	Visit
20-Mar	Lt Gen JS Dhaliwal	Visit
30-Mar	Brig Sushil Bhasin	Visit
08-Apr	Brig Manjeet Singh	Visit
	Dir Sainik Welfare, Punjab	
25 Apr	Brig PS Sandhu	Visit
	Hodson's Horse	
30-Apr	Brig BS Gill	Visit
02-May	Cdr Balrajwant Singh	Visit
06-May	Maj Gen RS Mehta, AVSM	Leadership seminar
07-May	Maj Gen HJ Singh	Visit
08-May	Brig Sushil Bhasin	Leadership seminar
	Col CS Bawa	
11-May	Lt Gen Chetinder Singh	Leadership seminar
22-May	Maj Gen HJ Singh	Inter Sqn Debate
02-Jul	Ms Ravneet Kaur, IAS	Visit/ Conference
	PS Higher Education Punjab	
26-Aug	Brig HS Nagra	Inter Sqn Debate
31-Aug	Maj Gen Manmohan Singh	Communication Skills seminar
11-Oct	Lt Gen Philip Campose, AVSM, VSM	Visit / Lecture
	GOC in C Western Comd	
18-Oct	Lt Gen Harbhajan Singh	Founders Day
28-Oct	Maj Gen RS Mehta	Lec: Battle of Rezangla
13-Nov	Maj Gen MP Singh	Inter Sqn Debate
11-Dec	Lt Gen TK Sapru	Achiever Awards function
16-Dec	Maj Gen BPS Virk	Visit
20-Dec	Air Mshl KS Gill, AVSM, YSM, VM	Visit / Lecture
	Comdt NDA	

26 Jan - 6th Course attended the Republic Day function in Mohali. The National Flag was unfurled by the Chief Minister.

03 Feb- Farewell function was organized in school to bid au revoir to the 5th Course.

13 Feb- 6th Course commenced the new session in Class 12.

23 Feb - A Joint Training Conference was held in MVH. Training Staff of MBAFPI attended the conference besides our own officers. The aim of the conference was to synergies the training efforts of both the institutes.

27 Feb - Morning IMPACT tuition commenced for 6th Course.

In early Mar, Cdts of the 6th Course prepared Self Motivation charts for display in their cabins. The following cadets were awarded prizes:-

- Cdt Shubhdeep Singh Aulakh
- Cdt Raghav Sharma
- Cdt Shivam Khanna

Board exams of the 5th Course commenced on 09 Mar and are to be completed by 12 April.



CDTS DURING GOLF AND KARATE CLASSES

The Chief Minister Sardar Parkash Singh Badal demitted office and with that also relinquished the appointment of Chairman of our Governing Body on 12 Mar. This institute was the realization of his vision. We owe him a tremendous debt of gratitude for his support, guidance and leadership.

The new Chief Minister is Capt Amarinder Singh. We look up to him as our new Chairman and we have no doubt that under his able guidance the institute will go from strength to strength. One of the first few decisions announced by the Chief Minister was that two similar institutes on the same lines as ours will be coming up in Punjab soon. We are greatly encouraged by this announcement as it is a tremendous recognition for the work done by the cadets and faculty in our early years.

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Closing address of the 5th Course was held in PVH on 27 Mar. the Chief Guest on the occasion was Air Mshl KS Gill who is a former Commandant NDA and also a former AOC in C, Central Air Command.



- Academic torches were awarded to the following cadets:-
 - 286/B/6 Cdt Aashray Thukral
 - 252/A/6 Cdt Amandeep Kumar
 - 287/B/6 Cdt Amol Gautam
 - 264/A/6 Cdt Jitesh Garg
 - 278/A/6 Cdt Shubhdeep Singh Aulakh
 - 282/B/6 Cdt Madhav Sabharwal
 - 280/B/6 Cdt Raghav Arora
 - 261/B/6 Cdt Shivam Khanna
 - 275/A/6 Cdt Tegjeet Singh
 - 279/B/6 Cdt Vivian Singh Khural
 - 244/B/6 Cdt Bhargav
- Appointment tabs were given to cadets of 6th Course:-
 - BCC - 278/A/6 Cdt Shubhdeep Singh Aulakh
 - BCA - 287/B/6 Cdt Amol Gautam
 - SCCA Sqn - 275/A/6 Cdt Tegjeet Singh
 - SCCB Sqn - 286/B/6 Cdt Aashray Thukral
 - CSMA Sqn - 246/A/6 Cdt Harshit
 - CSMB Sqn - 261/B/6 Cdt Shivam Khanna
 - CQMSA Sqn - 264/A/6 Cdt Jitesh Kumar Garg
 - CQMSB Sqn - 279/B/6 Cdt Vivian Singh Khural

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VISITORS / GUEST SPEAKERS: 2012

Date	Name	Remarks
06-Jan	Lt Gen NS Malik	Visit
18-Jan	Col BN Bhatia	Visit
17-Feb	Brig BS Gill	Visit
15-Mar	Maj Gen HM Singh	Visit
04-Apr	Brig RS Sidhu	Visit
02-May	S Parkash Singh Badal	Visit & Dinner
	Chief Minister	
	Yuvraj Singh, Indian Cricketer	
15-May	Janajit Ray	Leadership Seminar
	Col CS Bawa	
16-May	Lt Gen HRS Mann	Leadership seminar
	Maj Gen IP Singh	
17-May	Maj Gen US Sidhu	Leadership seminar
	CMD PESCO	
	Col RS Gadhok	
	Olive Geen	
31-May	Capt MS Bains	Visit
	Lt Col JS Dhillon	
06-Jun	Shooting coach	Visit
	Lt Col Ashokan	
21-Jul	Air Mshl TS Randhawa	Communication Skills Seminar
	Col RD Singh	
	Col Avnish Sharma	
06-Aug	Brig Harwant Singh	Visit
18-Oct	Maj Gen RPS Bhandari	Debate
	Col HS Chahal	
	Brig KD Singh	
16-Nov	Lt Gen SS Mehta	Lec
19-Nov	Lt Col GS Purewal	Debate
	Maj Gen BPS Grewal	
	Mrs Bhartinder Kaur	
04-Dec	Brig BS Gill	Lec Interview Technique
13-Dec	Students from NE States	Visit
18-Dec	Mr Varun Roojam	
	DC Mohali	
21-Dec	Mr Janajit Ray	Visit
	Principal YPS Mohali	
	66 students of Round Square Conference	
27-Dec	Brig Avtar Singh	Visit

VISITORS / GUEST SPEAKERS: 2011

Date	Name	Remarks
Apr	Gen PS Bhalla, DG NCC	Visit
06-Jul	Brig HS Gill (Retd)	Lec Leadership
07-Jul	Col Inder Mohan, HQ 1 Armd Div	Visit
13-Jul	Maj Gen JS Sidhu	Lec SSB
27-Jul	Maj Gen RS Mehta	Lec Motivation
03-Aug	Ms Aradhika Sharma	Lec Interaction with Ladies
05-Aug	S Parkash Singh Badal	Visit
	Chief Minister Punjab	
23-Aug	S HS Johl	Visit
	Advisor Horticulture, Punjab	
24-Aug	Shri Prabhjot Singh, IDBI Bank	Lec- Financial Matters
12-Sep	Lt Gen RS Sujlana	Inauguration of Saragarhi Park
20-Sep	Brig NJS Aulakh	Visit
	DG CPYTE	
28-Sep	Brig HS Nagra	Visit
11-Oct	Air Cmde SK Sharma	Visit
	Principal, Shemrock	
17-Oct	Brig NS Sandhu, MVC	Visit
25-Oct	S Parkash Singh Badal	Visit
	Chief Minister Punjab	
02-Nov	Capt BS Bath	Visit
	Minister for Sainik Welfare	
02-Nov	Brig KS Chandpuri, MVC	Visit
04-Nov	Air Mshl TS Randhawa	Visit
05-Nov	S Parkash Singh Badal	Visit and Dinner
	Chief Minister Punjab	
	And officers of War Decorated India	
	Lt Gen HRS Mann	
05-Nov	Lt Gen Jasbir Singh Dhaliwal	Visit
	Maj Gen US Sidhu	
15-Nov	Chairman PESCO	Visit
	Air Mshl Randhir Singh	
30-Nov	Maj Gen Gaganjit Singh	Visit
	Hony Capt Bana Singh, PVC	
	Col Jagtar Singh Virk	
	Maj Gen BPS Grewal	
05-Dec	ED, CGI, Fatehgarh Sahib	Visit
	Brig JK Jha	
	CIIS Fatehgarh Sahib	
07-Dec	Brig BS Gill, VrC	Lec: Bangla Desh Ops
29-Dec	Brig DS Dhillon	Visit

•B Sqn won the Inter Sqn Academics Banner.



B SQN ALSO WON THE CHAMPION SQN TROPHY FOR THE YEAR 2016 - 17



AFPI CDTs AT NDA (SINHGAD-HIKE)

OUR ESTEEMED

GUESTS

VISITORS / GUEST SPEAKERS: 2014

Date	Name	Remarks
08-Jan	Brig Vinod Pant	Presentation of Swimming Trophy
	DCSO HQ Western Comd	
	Col M Ramesh, Col Sigs	
02-Feb	S Parkash Singh Badal	Visit
	Chief Minister	
13-Feb	Brig KS Brar, VSM	Visit
15-Feb	Mr Harish Mehta Action Coach	Lec: Law of Attraction
17-Feb	Brig PS Sanghera	Visit
19-Feb	Mr Shivraj Patil Governor, Punjab	Visit
21-Feb	Mr Jagpreet Singh	Visit
	Headmaster PPS Nabha	
03-Mar	Maj Gen Rajesh Bawa, VSM	Visit
19-Mar	Brig SC Verma	Visit
24-Mar	Lt Gen PPS Bhandari, PVSM, AVSM	Closing address 2 nd Course
10-May	Maj Gen KS Bajwa	Communication Skills seminar
	Mr MS Bajwa	
12-May	Lt Gen TS Gill, SM, VSM	Lec: Leadership
	COS HQ Western Comd	
19-May	Lt Gen Kuldip Singh, PVSM, AVSM	Lec: Leadership
	Chairman PESCO	
21-May	Brig Harpal Singh Gill	Inter Sqn Debate
	Cdr Balrajwant Singh, NM	
	Col Avnish Sharma	
22-Jul	Col Ajit Singh Bhinder	Visit
22-Jul	Col (Dr) SPS Bedi	Visit
08-Aug	Brig DS Grewal	Leadership seminar
09-Aug	Brig NS Sandhu, MVC	Leadership seminar
	Lt Gen HRS Mann	
	Col (Dr) SPS Bedi	
11-Aug	Gp Capt LN Sharma	Visit
	Principal Sainik School Kunjpura	
	Col YS Parmar, SM	
	Col Edn 2 Corps	
13-Aug	Maj Gen IP Singh, VSM	Inter Sqn Debate
27-Aug	Lt Gen KJ Singh, AVSM**	Visit / Lecture
	GOC in C Western Comd	
22-Sep	Maj Gen RS Chhatwal	Visit

"TO SUCCEED IN YOUR MISSION YOU MUST HAVE SINGLE-MINDED DEVOTION TO YOUR GOAL."

-DR. APJ ABDUL KALAM

"ACCEPT THE CHALLENGES SO THAT YOU CAN FEEL THE EXHILARATION OF VICTORY."

-GEORGE S PATTON

"MOTIVATION IS THE ART OF GETTING PEOPLE TO DO WHAT YOU WANT THEM TO DO BECAUSE THEY WANT TO DO IT."

-DWIGHT D EISENHOWER

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VISITORS / GUEST SPEAKERS: 2014

Date	Name	Remarks
25-Sep	Maj Gen Kulwant Singh, UYSM	Visit
08-Oct	Wg Cdr JS Jeji	Know the Armed Forces Seminar
	Lt Cdr Mannu Virk	
	Brig MG Shekaran, SM	
	Group Cdr NCC	
17-Oct	Lt Col GS Purewal	Founders Day
	Air Cmde SK Sharma	
	Col HS Chahal	
	Col CS Bawa	
	Mr FA Khawaja, GM IDBI	
28-Oct	S Parkash Singh Badal	Governing Body meeting
	Chief Minister	
	Mr KJS Cheema, IAS	
	Air Mshal TS Randhawa	
	Lt Gen RS Sujlana	
31-Oct	Maj Gen KAS Bhullar	Visit
13-Nov	Brig DS Grewal	Lec: Insurgency in North Eastern States
14-Nov	Brig Subhash Sharma	Visit
	ARTRAC	
17-Nov	Mr MS Bajwa	Lec: 1965 War
	Col AS Thakur	
24-Nov	Brig Jasbir Singh, SM	Lec: 1971 War
	Col Avnish Sharma	
27-Nov	Students from J&K on Sadhbhavna tour	Visit
10-Dec	Lt Gen Amar Aul, PVSM, UYSM, AVSM	Achiever awards function
12-Dec	Baba Sewa Singh	Visit

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VISITORS / GUEST SPEAKERS: 2016

Date	Name	Remarks
	Maj Gen IP Singh, VSM Dir MBAFPI	
30-Sep	Lt Gen HRS Mann	Visit
14-Oct	Mr Bhanushali Gahlot Mr MS Bajwa	"India Remembers"
20-Oct	Maj Gen JS Sidhu Brig HS Nagra Mr AS Bajwa	AFPI Founder's Day Function
12-Nov	Maj Gen HJ Singh Brig Ajay Chauhan Cmdr BR Singh Wg Cdr Anant Pujari	Know the Armed forces Seminar
09-Dec	Lt Gen GD Singh	Art of Study Seminar
14-Dec	Maj Gen RPS Bhandari Brig JS Arora, Dir Sainik Welfare	Achievers Award Ceremony
20-Dec	Mr Rajesh Tiwari, Dy Dir, DPI, Madhya Pradesh	Visit
22-Dec	Mr JK Saini, YPS	Round Square Conference

VISITORS / GUEST SPEAKERS: 2017

Date	Name	Remarks
17-Mar	Col MJS Pathania,	Visit
27-Mar	Air Mar KS Gill	Closing Address 5th course

VISITORS / GUEST SPEAKERS: 2015

Date	Name	Remarks
21-Jan	Col DS Virk, 45 CAV	Visit
14-Feb	Col RK Chopra, MCTE	Visit
24-Mar	Lt Gen MS Buttar, PPSC	Closing address 3 rd Course
31-Mar	Col UBS Dhillon, Comdt, Hodson's Horse	Visit
07-May	Lt Gen Kuldeep Singh, PVSM, AVSM Chairman PESCO	Lec: Leadership
09-May	Col RD Singh	Communication skills seminar
	Col Avnish Sharma	
18-May	Maj Gen RS Mehta, AVSM	Lec; An officer and a Gentleman
02-Jun	S Parkash Singh Badal, Chief Minister	Visit
02-Jul	Maj Gen NP Singh COS 2 Corps	Visit
14-Jul	Maj Gen GS Lamba Principal BBSBEC, Fatehgarh Sahib	Visit
14-Jul	Brig Jasbir Singh, SM Hodson's Horse	Visit
16-Jul	Col KJ Singh	Visit
30-Jul	Maj Gen GK Chopra, VSM Col Comdt AEC	Visit
11-Aug	Brig Pradeep Sharma Maj Gen IP Singh, VSM Dir MBAFPI	Leadership seminar
13-Aug	Maj Gen ADS Grewal Lt Gen BS Jaswal	Leadership seminar
17-Aug	Maj Gen GS Lamba Lt Gen Chetinder Singh	Leadership seminar

VISITORS / GUEST SPEAKERS: 2015

Date	Name	Remarks
20-Aug	Brig Subhash Rangi	Visit
	Dir Sainik Welfare Haryana	
08-Sep	Ms Sunita Sanghi	Visit
	NitiAayog	
21-Sep	S Gurpreet Singh Bhullar	Visit
	SSP Mohali	
10-Oct	Wg Cdr JS Jeji	Seminar: Know the Armed Forces
	Cdr Tejinder Singh	
	Wg Cdr HS Kaundal	
19-Oct	Rao Rajinder Singh	Visit
	Dy Speaker, Rajasthan State Assembly	
19-Oct	60 teachers from PSEB	Visit
03-Dec	Col AS Rattan	Visit
	Col PS Randhawa	
09-Dec	Col LS Dhillon	Visit
10-Dec	Lt Gen SR Ghosh	Achiever Awards Function
	Lt Gen RS Sujlana	
	Lt Gen Kuldip Singh	
	Maj Gen Rajesh Bawa	
	Maj Gen IP Singh	
	Brig HS Nagra	
	Col HS Chahal	
	Mr AS Bajwa	
Col P Bahuguna		

VISITORS / GUEST SPEAKERS: 2016

Date	Name	Remarks
09-Feb	60 teachers from PSEB	Visit
18-Feb	S Parkash Singh Badal, Chief Minister	Visit
	S Prem Singh Chandumajra, MP	
	Mr NK Sharma, CPS	
05-Mar	Wg Cdr JM Nath, MVC and Bar	Visit - War Decorated India
	Maj UdaySathe, VrC	
	Air Mshl MS Sekhon, PVSM, VrC, SC, VM	
	And approx. 100 decorated war heroes	
05-May	Lt Gen Kuldip Singh, PVSM, AVSM	Lec on Leadership
	Chairman PESCO	
14-May	Col RD Singh	Communication Skills Seminar
19-May	Lt Gen KS Mann	Visit
27-May	Maj Gen AK Rekhi, VSM	Visit
07-Jun	Mr Sham LalGoyal, IAS	Visit
	PS Sainik Welfare	
	Maharashtra	
07-Jul	Maj Gen RS Mehta	Lec: An Officer and a Gentleman
18-Jul	Maj Gen VK Bhatt	Leadership seminar
	Tech Advsr to CM	
20-Jul	Maj Gen Rajesh Bawa, VSM	Leadership seminar
	DG CPYTE	
	Maj GEN IP Singh, VSM	
	Dir MBAPFI	
25-Aug	S Sukhbir Singh Badal, Dy CM	Visit
14-Sep	Maj Gen SS Mamek	Visit
	GOC Danapur Sub Area	
29-Sep	Maj Gen Deepak Dhanda	Visit
29-Sep	Maj Gen AS Bakshi, AVSM	Military History seminar
	Col PS Gill	

IN WORDS OF A TREE

I stand tall in front of all
In barren lands as they so call
But for my condition they are the reason
When they cut my friends for wood in winter season

Now they have come to cut me
And I am done, you see,
Taking the lives of thousands as a fee
They KILLED me!

Now in the shadow of the land
I wait for the D-DAY as they say
When time will come for men, to an end
I will wait for them in hell
And Earth, my mother Earth
Will be covered only by my friends!



**CDT JITESH GARG
(264/A/6)**



FREEDOM

People say that our country is independent, but don't you think
We are government dependent
What is the meaning of government, if no justice is there
It seems the law isn't practiced everywhere.

The power seems to be at its right station
But all doesn't seem to be well with the nation

So let us recall truly, freedom gives the right freely
A state to act freely
Freedom is right to everyone
Nobody can question you for this one

The man whose knowledge is vast
Shouldn't discriminate on the basis of caste

Freedom is a fundamental right; it's like flying a kite
So, please don't snatch it, remember everyone has a right to catch it.



**CDT JAPNEET SINGH
(260/A/06)**

PARLIAMENTARY SOLUTION

70 YEARS OF INDEPENDENCE - KASHMIR A PROBLEM, A GRAVE ONE.

My representative gets up in the morning, goes for a walk, comes home gets ready and moves in his luxurious car to the famous building. He discusses there highly debated topics and agendas of great concern, he eats his meal in a highly subsidized canteen and then gets the whole traffic halted and again moves back to his house in a luxurious car, but, I have missed something, yes those people wearing 'KHAKIS' with weapons in hands and jeeps namely with red beacons.

The annual budget of the protection of the MPs and the famous building is a large amount; and the annual budget for protection of the 'KASHMIR' which is largely discussed in parliament is less than it.

My representatives are of three types, especially in the case of finding a solution to the KASHMIR PROBLEM. First, UN lovers, they strongly favour that a referendum should be conducted to solve this problem, which pound on our head every day. Second, a little 'JOSHFUL' ones, "HUM KARARRA JAWAB DENGE", they stand on chests of our brave soldiers and shout aloud. Third, are the special ones, with a separatists thinking- make Kashmir a separate state, they are lazy ones, they just want to get rid of the problem.

Sorry if you find it childish, after all I am not even 12th pass but what I think is "WHY NOT SHIFT THE FAMOUS BUILDING OF INDIA TO KASHMIR"?

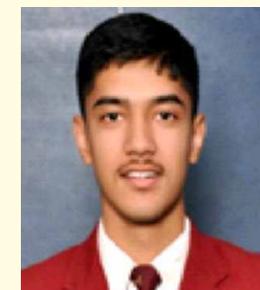
Make these "SECOND GROUP".

People stand in Kashmir and then they shout at the top of their voices. Yes I am talking about parliament. Shift the parliament to Kashmir and then just see how borders become non porous, terrorists vanish and Kashmir becomes a stable and safe place.

But you would say shifting everything is quite difficult but I am sure it is not more difficult than seeing Capt Saurabh Kalia's father fighting for justice since 1999.

CQMH Abdul Hamid's wife who kept on waiting for her husband.

Capt Vikram Batra's mother crying and parents, sisters, brothers, sons, daughters, of all those lakhs who died since 1947 because of this. The future of our country lies in the "POLITICAL WILL-AND WE CREATE THIS WILL."



**BCA PRANJAL KAPIL
(188/A/05)**

A DAY AT AFPI

At 5:00 hours, there goes off a bell
Waking us up
And most of the neighborhood as well
Dress up right and don't be late
The muster fall-in, is our day's start just great

"BATTALION SAVDHAN!" and all feet are stamped hard
Morning PT keeps us fit always
And in winters, it attacks like an icicle shard
But don't you worry, you will grow tough and used to it
You will learn a ton and watch yourself
As you will glow, which only a true gentleman can emit.
Debates, lecturettes, PT tests, games and lectures play a role immense
So just take it all in and let your life as an officer commence.
7:30 the hooter blows, time for breakfast and go to school
Study hard and work towards our aim
But at the same time not lagging behind in any game
Study periods initiate and homework is done
Just after that, evening games are fun, snacks time yay!
It is time for some milk and an array

Study again!
NDA is our aim!
NDA is what makes our personality
And NDA is where we want our name!
So let's dream, me and you,
To pave our ways and clear our view
And live as a cadet in this great institute
WHERE DREAMS COME TRUE!



CDT SHUBHDEEP SINGH AULAKH
(278/A/06)

ENCOUNTER

During the stay at AFPI, everyone does make mistakes and does falsies. Many of these are punishable and often the culprit gets punishments from the appointments, the warden, or the PTIs. But when you commit a serious enough offence, your case is handled by the DIRECTOR himself.

The Director examines the case and often the worst horror of every cadet comes true, having a meeting fixed with the Director.

The whole event proceeds in a very orderly manner. Knowing that you will be put up in front of the Director, your course mates sympathize, or at least pretend to be sympathetic towards you. Every time you think of facing the Director and his rage, a chill runs down your spine. You keep on thinking about what to say in your defence, which ultimately turns out to be ineffective and unfruitful. At school, you cannot concentrate on what is taught to you and you remain in a nervous and tense mood. On returning from school you are again reminded of by the Warden sir of what unfortunate thing is going to happen with you. **YOU ARE REQUIRED TO REPORT IN YOUR KHAKI UNIFORM.**

Finally when the time approaches, you find yourself standing outside Director's office, smartly dressed in your uniform. You cannot think of anything and go blank at that time. The looks which the Director gives you send a shiver in your body. You tremble and find yourself scared to hell. An air of tension prevails.

The Director starts at a calm pace. He demands to know the truth. He demands to know why you had committed that offence. All you can do is mumble. You make up stories out of thin air and hope the Director to believe them. But you forget that all this will take you nowhere.

Suddenly you are pondered with questions at lightning speed. Your brain refuses to answer and continues to give out pleas of being innocent. All hell breaks loose when Director decides he has heard enough of rubbish talks. Then a storm of heavy and dangerous sounding words hurl you down. The whole battalion echoes with his shouts. Believe me you should wish that you are lucky enough to avoid hearing those words of distress hurled at you for possessing the guts to commit such an offence that has landed you into the situation.

At the end of the hearing the Director pronounces his judgment. You are proved guilty most of the time. If luck is on your side you can be let off with a warning or can be awarded ETs at most. But if you are short of luck or the magnitude of the offence committed is huge enough you can be handed a suspension letter or a withdrawal in extreme cases. The moment you step out of the office a great surge of fear and relief sweeps over you. I personally have experienced this encounter myself. Not once but thrice, I advise you to not to cross Director's way under such circumstances and if you do so.....GOD BLESS YOU.



CDT GURBEER SINGH SOHAL
(250/B/06)

CAREER IN INDIAN DEFENCE FORCES

Long set your heart on a service career in the Defence Forces. This career offers opportunities for an outdoor, adventurous life with all the pride of the uniform, glittering badges of rank, inspiring tunes of bands and parades. These are the things which have attracted young men and women looking for an adventurous career. Also it is better to die in the flower of youth, defending the honour of my mother land, on the chance of winning a noble name than to live at ease like a sheep, and die unwept and unhonoured. In other words it is better to die for a noble cause, a hero's death rather than like an ox.

To us life is not cheap; it is not how long you live but how well you live. Besides serving my country in the best possible manner it is the army's uniform, the strict discipline which has attracted me to take up defense forces as a career. Fitness of a man boosts his personality. Marching in heavy polished boots wakes up the people around and surrounding environment once you go to the National Defence Academy, The Naval Academy and other prestigious platforms you feel proud and filled with happiness beyond your imagination. You are cadets and are training to be potential officers, so have faith in yourself and touch the sky with glory in Indian Air Force and grab the ocean of opportunities in Indian Navy and live a life less ordinary in Indian Army.



CDT TUSHAR BANSAL
(248/B/6)



AFPI'S JOURNEY BEGINS LIKE THIS



CDT VIVIAN SINGH KHURAL
(279/B/6)

On 23rd April i was very audacious, and my morale was high ,
Finally it was the time to join "AFPI".
On that day , journey of my new life started ,
I was really very nervous and excited.
When i reached the gates of AFPI ,
Seeing a totally different environment ,i felt somewhat shy.
Many new cadets with their parents , were roaming here and there,
Everything for me was new here.
During the admission, all the juniors were very excited,
Then we got our squadrons, and "rooms" were allotted.
Then after sometime.....for "parents" it was the time to say goodbye,
The momenti remember was very sad and "dry".
Afterwards when the seniors came and "interacted" ,
The gaze was again shifted from a sad mood to "delighted" .
Everyone felt good, when we were introduced to their buddies,
Then we were introduced with the lessons of sports and importance of studies.
Everyone here was very "nice and good",
Then...they taught us to stay together and lessons of unity and brotherhood.
So.....
"ONCE AN AFPIAN ,AN AFPIAN FOREVER",

A SOLDIER

Miles away from home a soldier lies
He cherishes many hellos, and despises goodbyes
He risks his life, he is willing to die
He does all this to see the Indian flag high

What most people do not understand
Is that our lives are in their hands
They keep us safe and take a stand
They see horrible things first- hand

Miles away he wishes he was home
Listening to his wife's beautiful voice on phone
He knows she is praying for his safe return
To be back he will no longer yearn

To be a soldier is a difficult task
Many will not hesitate to ask
Why do soldiers risk their lives or even die?
Of course to see our Indian flag high
That is the most honourable way to say GOODBYE



CDT HARDIK CHOPRA
(255/B/06)

AFPI DAYS

Kab milenge najaane hum, yaaron phir se kabhi
Laut kar ab naa ayenge vo, mastibhare din kabhi
Ho dil ye apnaa kahe, ki ae doston
I'm really gonna miss this place
I'm gonna miss my AFPI days

Yaad hai vo saare lectures, so kar jo attend kiye the
OP ka pakda jaana, lafde kya kam kiye the
Mil ke karni vo shaitani, aur bachna fir last minute pe
NDA ki vo taiyaariyan, sona teen ghante
Aur sone se pehle kehna oye under study muster pe utha dio

Good observation kabhi yahaan , to lagtithi ET kabhi
Laut kar ab naa ayenge vo, mastibhare din kabhi
Ho dil ye apna kahe, ki ae doston
I'm really gonna miss this place
I'm gonna miss my AFPI days

Yaad ayenge juniors humko dil se humesha
Yaad aayega yeh campus, aur iski apni hi dunniya
Yaad ayega humesha yeh aashiyana
I'm really gonna miss this place
I'm gonna miss my AFPI days



CDT DIKSHANT SHARMA
(216/A/5)
CDT AJAY RAJKARAN SINGH
(221/A/5)

A TEAM

I offer you peace, I offer you love, I offer you friendship
I see your beauty, I hear your need, I feel your feelings
My wisdom flows from the highest source
I salute that source in you, let us work for
Unity and love.

Respect your fellow human beings, treat them fairly
Disagree with them honestly
Enjoy their friendship.
Explore your thoughts about one another candidly
Work together for your common goal
And help one another achieve it

Your most precious possession is not your financial assets
Most precious possession is the people who are working with you
And their ability to always work as a team.



AFPI

Opportunities gave me a waving high
When my dream came true of joining AFPI

Strict discipline and tight schedule
Where everything works according to rules

Push-ups, sit-ups and front roll
Exercises which give satisfaction to our soul

Life at AFPI
Is like a rare butterfly

Because people here are so kind
Which makes this life lucky but difficulty to find

Everyone's aim is clear from their eye lens
That each one of us will be in the field of defense

Touch the sky with glory
And live a life less ordinary



CDT LAKSHPREET SINGH
(295/B/06)



CDT SUNKALP DUVEDI
(292/A/06)

AMIDST CANNONADE

We soldiers are made to defend,
So on the border posts, to us they send,
Some of us are sent to the mountain tops,
Others are sent to the deserts where it is difficult to run and hop
Rest are departed in the plains,
To keep the enemy's effort to capture our territory in vain

We soldiers do have bombs, rockets, and guns,
But handling our task is not a pun.
For we have to face the enemy's fire
Terrain and climate which makes one tire.
We are required to keep the morale high,
And to keep in check our tears and sighs.
Our task demands both brain and brawn in tune,
As moment's delay could cause ruin

We are proud that our nation's border we guard,
And keep intact its freedom, won by efforts too hard
In defense of our people we lay our lives,
To make sure that our nation thrives.
As we go, in your hands this baton we pass,
To make sure that this nation could grow and surpass
Remember that our borders need a constant vigil
As a moment's nap could result in KARGIL



CDT ARSHDEEP SINGH SIDHU
(267/A/06)

परिवर्तन

गाँव के एक स्कूल में एक नया मास्टर आया, उसका नाम गुरमुख था। वह अँधेरे में उजाला लेकर आया था। जैसे ही वो गाँव में पहुँचा तो देखा कि गाँव में लोग नास्तिक वृत्ति के थे और बहुत ही कठोर बोली के थे। यह देखके उसे दुःख हुआ, परन्तु उसने ठान लिया कि वह इस गाँव को अपनी तरह परिवर्तित कर देगा।

उसकी कहानी शुरू हुई जब तीन वर्ष पहले उसकी शादी हुई। उसकी पत्नी एक बहुत ही भगवान को मानने वाली और भगवान की महिमा करने वाली औरत थी वह हर समय खुश और हंसमुख रहती तथा भगवान की महिमा गाती रहती थी। शादी के कुछ महीने बाद गुरमुख ने अपनी पत्नी के गर्भवती होने की खबर अपनी माँ को दी तो माँ बहुत खुश हुई। परन्तु उसके पुराने ख्यालों की होने की वजह से वह अपनी बहु के ऊपर दबाव डालने लग जाती है कि उसे एक लड़का चाहिए। एक दिन जब उसकी बीबी गुरमुख को बताती है कि उसकी माँ उसपर कैसे दबाव डाल रही है, तो वह उसे समझाता है और कहता है, “माँ को समझ लेंगे, कोई फर्क नहीं पड़ता कि लड़की हो या लड़का।”

एक दिन अचानक उसकी माँ उसे शहर जा के शिशु का लिंग पता लगवाने के लिए कहती है और जब पता चलता है कि लड़की है तो माँ उसको कहती है कि शिशु की गर्भ में ही हत्या कर दी जाए। इसी ऑपरेशन के दौरान गुरमुख की बीबी की मौत हो जाती है। गुरमुख सोचता है कि वह उसकी जिम्मेवारी है और वह दुखी रहने लग जाता है। उसे लगता है कि अगर वो अपनी माँ का विरोध कर पता तो उसकी बीबी आज जिन्दा होती। इसी सीख को लेकर वह अपनी जिंदगी जीता है और नए गाँव में बच्चों और गाँव वालों में विश्वास रख के सच और जो सही है उसका साथ देता है, जिस गलती की वजह उसकी जिंदगी से खुशियाँ चली गईं, वह किसी और के साथ न हो, और लोगों को औरत जाति का सम्मान करना सिखाता है। क्योंकि इसी ओर से ही राजा महाराजाओं का जन्म हुआ है। और यही औरत है जिसने उन्हें ये दुनियाँ दिखाई और जन्म दिया। अंत में अपनी शिक्षाओं से गाँव के लोगों की जिंदगी में एक बड़ा अंतर लाता है और उन्हें सही रास्ता दिखाने में कामयाब होता है।



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LIFE

Life is an illusion we expect it to last forever. Our souls land up in a world that is utterly infamous; when we are born and subsequently we realize the role that we play assigned by God.

As life goes on, we have to accept things whether we like it or not. No questions are allowed. We spend our life like wanderers, discovering new things.

We learn from past experiences that lead to transformation of our character, soul and mind. We must work hard to turn this illusion into reality. We must direct our efforts towards achieving our goals. We must learn from our mistakes and improve them.

LETS MAKE LIFE WORTH LIVING.



CDT TARANVIR SINGH
(251/A/06)



LIGHT A CANDLE

It is better to light a candle than to curse darkness, says an old proverb
If you feel like cursing the darkness in your life or in your soul, light a candle
You may find that it helps; it could nourish your happiness.



CDT JASKARN SINGH
(273/A/6)

Maybe you are feeling good or bad,
It is a cold winter night, or a warm summer evening
Light a candle as a symbol of the light present in your life right now,
It could nourish your happiness.

Do you feel lonely? Light a candle.
Do you feel distant from God? Light a candle.
Do you feel it impossible to pray? Light a candle.
A lighted candle is a symbol of prayer and worship,
It could nourish your happiness.

Any time is a good time to light a candle
Rain is a blessing not a misfortune, light a candle.
A lighted candle can touch the heart and nourish happiness
When nothing else will do the job, nothing else.

NEVER! NEVER! NEVER! GIVE UP!!

Many a times that phase of your life will appear.
Which will be enough to mercilessly tear you apart and push you hard into the society's shame tub.
To keep you there broken, to make you unable to rise up.
But if you have that hope, that motivation you will rise up.
With only one thing in mind, never never never give up.
Yes, everything in life needs time to heal that's nature.
But one should not be stuck in the web of broken heart, because you are God's creature.
Now, pick those pieces of broken heart up.
And shape it into a cup.
And fill it with only one slogan,
Never never never give up.

Many a times a person wants to end his life, hmm very serious.
But it makes me curious.
That how a person can end his life by only getting defeated once. I found it humorous.
It tickles my funny bone.
Tinted soul should have asked "tu hai kaun?"
And should have said "you should never never never give up"
Many a times life will put you down and will compel you to bow.
And will pressurize you to accept the defeat and also will throw.
Mud of allegations shame which will only give you sorrow.
But it is only the man who stands up.
Face everything and is able to keep his head up because for his grey matter only one thing matters
Never never never give up.
I don't have any stats or figures but I believe.
Keeping this in your mind one could achieve anything in life.
So I ask you, pray to you, beg you
NEVER NEVER NEVER GIVE UP



CDT RAVJOT SINGH GHUMAN
(240/A/5)

ਉਦਮ

ਜੇ ਕੁਝ ਲੋਚੇ ਮਨ ਵਿੱਚ ਸਜਨਾ ਉਦਮ ਕਰੀਂ ਜ਼ਰੂਰ,
ਬਿਨ ਉਦਮ ਹੱਥ ਸੱਖਣੇ ਰਹਿਸਣ ਉਦਮ ਬੀਂ ਭਰਪੂਰ ॥
ਜੇ ਚਾਹੇ ਪੁੱਜਣਾ ਮੰਜਿਲ ਤੇ, ਵਗੀਂ ਜਿਵੇਂ ਦਰਿਆ,
ਤੇਰ ਨਿਰੰਤਰ ਨਾ ਜਿੰਦੜ ਦਾਗੀ ਦਾ ਮੌਤ ਕਦਮ ਰੁਕਿਆ ॥
ਦਰਿੜ ਸੰਕਲਪ ਮਨ ਵਿੱਚ ਲੈ ਕੇ ਉਠੀਂ ਨਿੱਤ ਸਵੇਰੇ,
ਤੈਨੂੰ ਦੇਖ ਪਰਬਤ ਝੁਕਣ, ਪਾਸੇ ਹੋਣ ਹਨੇਰੇ ॥
ਮੁਸੀਬਤ ਦੇਖ ਕਦੇ ਨਾ ਡੋਲੀਂ ਛੁਟੀ ਵਾਂਗ ਚਟਾਨਾਂ,
ਕਰ ਹਿੰਮਤ ਤੂੰ ਪਾਰ ਉਹ ਕਰੜੀ ਜਿਸ ਤੋਂ ਡਰੇ ਜਮਾਨਾਂ ॥
ਨਾ ਕਰ ਕਿਸਮਤ ਤੇ ਵਿਸ਼ਵਾਸ, ਆਪਣੇ ਰਾਹ ਤੂੰ ਆਪ ਬਣਾਵੇਂ,
ਉਦਮ ਆਪਣੀ, ਸਦਕਾ ਰਬ ਨੂੰ, ਕਿਸਮਤ ਤੂੰ ਆਪ ਲਿਖਾਵੇਂ ॥
ਮਾਪੇ ਅਧਿਆਪਕ ਦਾ ਸਤਿਕਾਰ ਸਦਾ ਤੂੰ ਮਨ ਵਿੱਚ ਰੱਖੀਂ,
ਦੇਖੀਂ ਜ਼ਿੰਦਗੀ ਸਫਲ ਤੇਰੀ ਹੋਜੂ, ਹੁੰਦੀ ਜਾਉ ਤਰੱਕੀ ॥
ਨਾ ਪਾਲੀਂ ਵਿੱਚ ਹੰਕਾਰ, ਨਾ ਮਾਲਕ ਨੂੰ ਮਨੋਂ ਵਿਸਾਰੀਂ,
ਰੱਖ ਭਰੋਸਾ ਉਸ ਤੇ, ਕਦੇ ਨਾ ਹਿੰਮਤ ਹਾਰੀਂ,
ਤੂੰ ਕਦੇ ਨਾ ਹਿੰਮਤ ਹਾਰੀਂ ॥



CDT SEHAJPAL SINGH SIDHU
(203/B/5)

HER LOVE NEVER DIED

She slipped through the moonlit streets in the dark
 Engulfed with clan destiny for in her womb she carried that spark
 She heard him cry verbatim and let it be
 She swallowed that torment inside of her to let his soul free
 She nurtured him and carried him on her shoulder
 She provided him that warmth when the world got colder
 She gave him wisdom she gave him zeal
 When fallen she allowed him to heal
 She deterred him of evil and led him to the right
 She imbued in him the strength of Hercules and courage of a knight
 She watched him strive through night and day
 She silenced the silence for him to never go astray
 She watched him sulk with a faint gleam of hope
 She fed him with triumph and saw his fears elope
 She saw his eyes ablaze with love and sacrifice
 To requite his whack, for he had to pay the price
 She saw him fighting fearlessly for her sake
 She stayed close, for his life and her pride was at her stake
 She heard him cry again as the bullets pierced through his chest
 As he fell again, never to rise, she embraced him and held him close to her breast
 The iridescence of the sky took a pale hue
 Soon it was dark and cold winds blew
 She her mother, her paramour and her country, sank in a mournful song
 She covered him with dust, to sleep with him ever long.....



SCC MEHTAB KAMAL
(212/B/6)

THE DAYS HAVE GONE

The days have gone for me,
 When the seasons I used to see,
 When I used to laugh openly,
 And eat my sibling's sweets happily.
 The days have gone,
 When innocence laid on my face,
 When I used to cry, everyone got around,
 I miss those days,
 When I went to play in the ground,
 Without any worries on my mind.
 The days have passed,
 The hope they would last,
 Beard has covered my face,
 Innocence is far gone in my case.



CDT HARMEET KUMAR GARG
(256/A/6)



THE MORNING PT

The hooter's noise piercing my ears
 I got up at muster in despair
 Preparing for PT I was a bit sad
 To have left the bed and join other lads
 But this is the life which I opted for
 It is just the beginning; the future has a lot more
 Going out on road in fresh, cold air
 And running for miles and miles
 I discover beauties of nature in a different style
 The PTI shouts louder and louder
 Ordering us to run harder and harder
 Physical fitness is very important in a cadet's life
 As it will help us in NDA to survive
 Now after doing morning PT for more than a year
 I realize that I have lost its fear
 The physical fitness that I have achieved
 Leaves my friends a bit deceived
 This fitness makes me confident and prouder
 Leaving the message a bit louder
 That we should work hard
 To keep our standards well above par
 To do well in NDA and the armed forces
 As a very high standard has already been set by previous AFPIAN courses.



CDT AMOL GAUTAM
(287/B/6)

TRANSFORMATION

I started off as a small boy
Too young to understand the world of sorrow and joy
Circumstances hit me hard
I began to cry, I began to give up
But that was not the end, on my head
I had my parents' hand

I understood the world as a teenager
Started to think of making a wager
Asked mentors for their guidance
Do whatever you want they said
Had a flaw, started to underestimate myself
Couldn't think of anything I could make of the world
Too confused, too shy to utter a word

Wanted thrills and adventure
Looked hard for, but couldn't find such a venture
All I had was a strong heart and a determined soul
"JOIN THE ARMED FORCES" I heard as a whole
Thought I heard right
My parents would be proud for truth will I fight

To pursue the same the NATIONAL DEFENCE ACADEMY I joined
A new personality in me was coined
I trained hard, I became tough
Through the first four terms the course was rough
Trials and tribulations I faced
"A LIFE LESS ORDINARY" was what I chased
The day came when I stepped through the ANTIM PAG on the passing out parade

I started off as a small boy, transformed many times; finally as an officer
With stars on my shoulder
A swagger completely changed and emboldened
Filled with confidence I walked
Remembering the words of a man who said
"I AM THE MASTER OF MY FATE AND
THE CAPTAIN OF MY SOUL"



CDT TEGJEET SINGH
(275/A/6)

RESPONSIBILITY- AN OVERSTUDY

As we grow up in life,
Every relation with ship country.
Is entrusted upon a responsibility,
With faith, trust, and accountability.
Its just not what you have learnt,
Or the midnight oil that you have burnt.
Its about imparting the light,
Either by care or by fright.
First by care and then a little hard,
The commanding order is the trump card.
Use it before it is too late,
And keep the manners and bearing straight.
Finally it's you what he reflects,
Covering up all his neglect.
Wait and watch what he will become,
Ready to face whatever may come.
You will improve showing the right way,
Be right at first, then teach, then say.
This relationship bonds you forever,
Like a bow and arrow together.
The more the stress, the better the aim,
A harsh start but thank you for the same.
Relation close to a friend yet a bit apart,
With respect for seniority in the heart.
For guiding me the right way,
Thank you for making me what I am
today.



EXTRACTED FROM TRISHAKTI
AUTUMN TERM 2015
CDT YASHWANT SINGH WARAICH
NDA No. (36389/F/132)
AFPI No. (38/A/1)

WHAT ARE TRUE FRIENDS?

What are true friends?
Someone asked me one day.
Who cares for each other
I answered sitting on hay.

They stay together in every situation
Like plants in a crop.
Stand together fall together,
Helping each other, they never stop

What are true friends?
Someone asked me one day.
Who support each other
I answered sitting on hay.

They stand with each other,
Like colors of rainbow.
They share their happiness,
They share their sorrow.

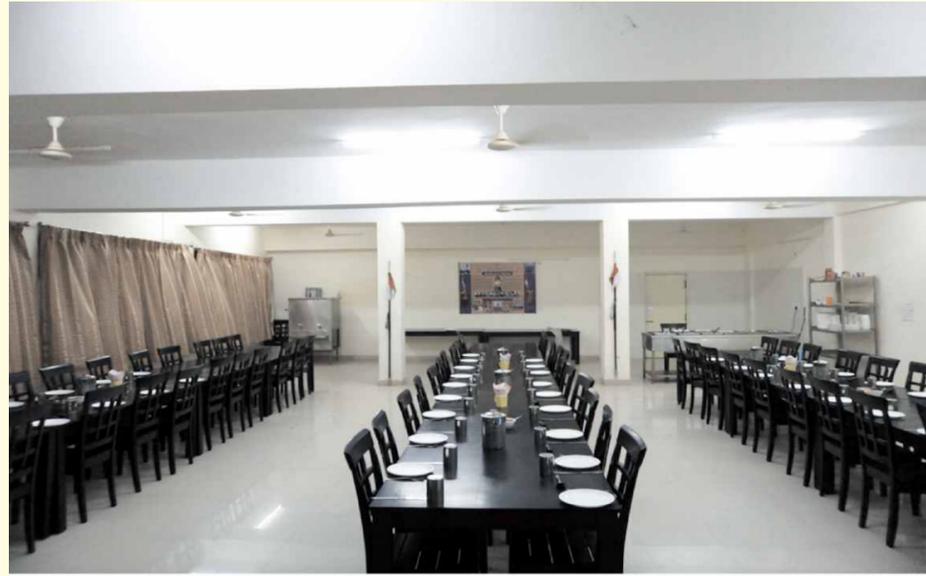
What are true friends ?
Someone asked me one day.
Who understand each other,
I answered sitting on hay.
They move together ahead in life,
Like migratory birds flock.
True friends are hard to find
Fake are present in big stock.



CDT SIMARPREET SINGH
(247/A/06)



ANTE ROOM



CADETS MESS

याद

आज हम देखते हैं यह दुनिया,
बड़ा ही रंग भरा मंच बन चुकी है ।
हमारी भारत माता फूलों सी खिल चुकी है ।
आज बच्चा-बच्चा खुश है,
हर तरक्कियों से बिगुल रहे हैं ।
कोई यहाँ बाजारों का फैन,
कोई यहाँ कलाकारी में व्यस्त है ।
पर भुला चुके हैं सब अपना इतिहास,
वह 70 साल पहले का सच ।
जब बच्चों के पेट में खाना नहीं,
तानाशाहियों में बहाना वही ।
सच,
दिल तड़प उठता है, वह वक्त याद करके,
जेहन हिल जाता है वह याद करके,
उस तिरंगे के लिए शहादत याद करके,
उन खून की बूंदों से लिखे अलफाज़ याद करके ।
आज लोगों का दिल भरता नहीं गाँधी की तस्वीरें भर के ।
आज जिक्र कोई करता नहीं बोस और भगत सिंह के लफ़्ज़ से ।
आज यह कलम बड़ी ही उदास है यह इंसान देख भारत के,
बस सुगन्धित रह जाती है वह सच्चाई और हिम्मत कब से ।
शहीदों का जेहन से भुला देना कानून का कोई कायदा नहीं,
उनके नाम पर एक छुट्टी का कोई फायदा नहीं ।
बस सिर्फ एक ही आस है दिल की, कि कभी तो लोग बदलेगे,
उन माँओं के शहीद बच्चों को भी कभी दिल से याद करेंगे ।



EXTRACTED FROM
TRISHAKTI SPRING TERM 2016
CDT PRABHJEET SINGH
NDA No. (36388/F/132)
AFPI No. (105/A/3)

हर मंजिल सर करता जा

जिंदगी में आगे बढ़ता जा
सत्ता की सीढ़ी चढ़ता जा
रास्ता कठिन है पर घबराना नहीं,
मुश्किलों से डट कर लड़ता जा,
हर मंजिल सर करता जा ।

ऐसे हालात आएंगे,
तेरे कदम थरथराएँगे,
पर उन हालातों से डर जाना न,
मुश्किलों से डट कर लड़ता जा ।
हर मंजिल सर करता जा ।

कठिनाईयों का सामना करना होगा,
काँटों भरे पथ पर तुझे चलना होगा,
पर तू हौंसला हार जाना न,
मुश्किलों से डट कर लड़ता जा,
हर मंजिल सर करता जा ।



CDT SIMARPREET SINGH
(247/A/6)

DRESS CODE OF CADETS



PREVIOUS
COURSES

Maharaja Ranjit Singh, AFPI Mohali



CDT. BHARGAV
244/B/06

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ARTISTS' CORNER

Maharaja Ranjit Singh, AFPI Mohali



CDT AMANDEEP KUMAR
(252/A/6)



CDT SHIVAM KHANNA
(261/A/6)



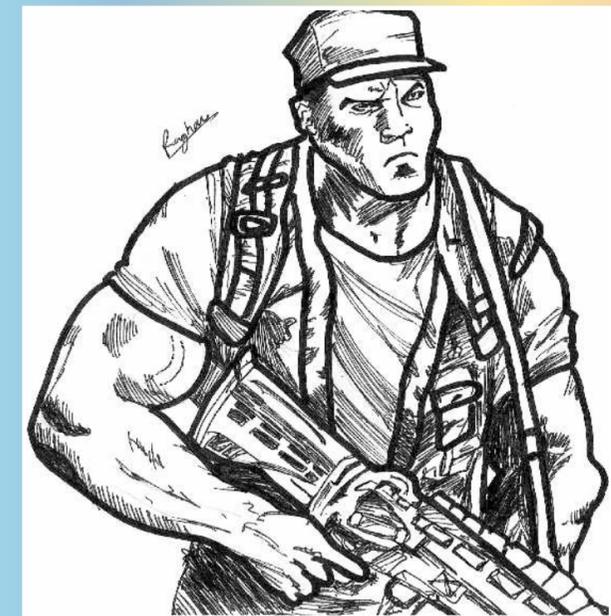
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CDT GAURAV SHARMA
(288/A/6)



CDT. RAGHAV ARORA
280/B/06



Maharaja Ranjit Singh, AFPI Mohali

**FEROCIOUS FIFTH
ALPHA SQN**

- **BCA Pranjal Kapil** - One of the OG types, known for his discipline, punctuality and OLQs. Usain Bolt of speech.
- **SCC Abhishek Jagota** - All work and all work makes Jack a bright boy, A keen performer of AFPI and always there to shoulder his responsibility.
- **CSM Arunav Laroia** - The cadet who sweeps it all with his stick, the PT stud, a good orator and a charming personality.
- **CQMS Neerpreet Singh** - A passionate cricketer and a dedicated worker, has a creative hand in drawing cartoon and sketches.
- **DCC Prabhnoor Singh** - If the biggest room in the world is room for improvement then this person lives in the biggest room, with 'slow and steady wins the race' his motto; with an opposite motto towards squash.
- **DCC Preetinderpal Singh Baath** - The 'Chinese Sardar' always calm as cucumber and cold as ice. A perfect example of 'work hard in silence and let your success make the noise.
- **DCC Ajayraj Karan Singh Malhotra** - He is polite in his composure and he is more polite in his arrogance. Silence is his shield and hardwork his sword.
- **Cdt Krishna Kumar Srivastava** - AFPIAN Basketball legend and junior's favourite, always helps others, never has smile leave his face.
- **Cdt Gurkanwal Singh** - The Sidhu of AFPI, loved by all, known for his giant hands; always carrying a smile.
- **Cdt Ravjot Singh Ghumman** - The Ultimate Jatt; junior's nightmare, carried big dreams in his eyes.
- **Cdt Sukhman Sohi** - Smaller his size, larger his patience. Walk undeterred is all we could learn from him.
- **Cdt Lovepreet Singh** - All-rounder with an edge in volleyball who hits the gym frequently and known for his toned six packs. Always carrying a puncture kit for emergency.
- **Cdt Dikshant Sharma** - A silent killer always found flying on Alpha top floor. Good for heart and pure of character.
- **Cdt Simranjeet Singh** - The one who gets in with everyone a sociopath. Works on solar energy.
- **Cdt Manjot Dhillon** - Richie Rich of AFPI, funded Donald Trump in elections. Record holder of most liberties. Kind gentle and a big Bathindian Heart.
- **Cdt Amritpal Singh** - A perfect example of how AFPI transfers an introvert studious boy into a jack of all sports. Special remarks - A leader indeed is leader indeed; Contact for leadership skills.
- **Cdt Aadarsh Chauhan** - Silence his strength, hardwork his friend. Sky is the limit, there isn't any end. Patanjali's Brand Ambassador.
- **Cdt Hitesh Sharma** - A kind hearted joyful person, jolly in nature. "The legend of pun".
- **Cdt Nomaldeep Singh** - Ever Smiling, Punjabi Gabru, positivity is his strength.



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FIRST COURSE (2011-2013) THE PIONEERS

- SITTING FIRST ROW (L TO R)** CSM SAHIL MANHAS, WARDEN RIS BALJIT SINGH, SCC MOHIT SHARMA, COL HS CHAUHAN (GTO), BCA DANISH CHADDA, MAJ GEN BS GREWAL (DIRECTOR), BCC RISHAV DIXIT, COL JS DHIMAN (PSYCHOFFR), SCC VISHAVDEEP SINGH, HON CAPT, HARNEK SINGH, GSM HARSIMAR SINGH
- STANDING FIRST ROW (L TO R)** CQMS ABHAY SINGH RAANA, CDT AJAYPAL SINGH, CDT PRABHDEEP SINGH, CDT VARINDER PAL SINGH, CDT NANDESH GALUTAM, CDT SIDDHARTH RAJPUT, CDT RAJAT SARANGAL, CDT JAIWANT, CDT BARIJOT SINGH, CDT DEEPAK SHARMA, CDT GAGANPREET SINGH, CDT YASHWANT SINGH, CDT GURKARAN SINGH.
- STANDING SECOND ROW (L TO R)** CDT NISHANT ARORA, CDT SIMRANHOT SINGH, CQMS MEHAKPREET SINGH, CDT VISHAL AGNIHOTRI, CD RAHUL SHARMA, DCC HARPREET SINGH, DCC GURNEET SINGH, CDT SIMARJOT SINGH, CDT VINAYPAL SINGH, CDT SAHAJJAAP SINGH, CDT ABHIKARAN AGGARWAL, CDT MONTEKSINGH.
- STANDING THIRD ROW (L TO R)** CDT HUSANDEEP SINGH, CDT VIKRAMJOT SINGH, CDT RISHAB BHOLA, DCC AKHILESH KANWAR, DCC JATIN SAINI, CDT SNEHPAL SINGH, CDT VIJAYDEEPSINGH, CDT HARSIMRAT SINGH, CDT TEJINDERPAL SINGH, CDT SARFRAZ SINGH.

SECOND TO NONE



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SECOND COURSE (2012-2014) SECOND TO NONE

SITTING FIRST ROW : (L TO R) PTT MANJIT SINGH, RIS BALJIT SINGH (WARDEN), CSM RAJAJWAL DHIMAN, SCC PRAJAWAL SINGH RAJPUT, BRIG KD SINGH (PYSCH OFFR), MAJ GEN BS GREWAL (DIRECTOR), COL HS CHAUHAN (GTO), BCA PREET KAMAL SINGH, SCC HARSH PRATAP, CSM VIKRAM SINGH, CQMS BRJESHWAR PAL SINGH, SUB SWARAN SINGH.

STANDING FIRST ROW : (L TO R) PTT GURMAIL SINGH, CDT ARJUN SINGH SANDHU, CDT SHIVAM SOOD, CDT JAIDEEP AMITOI SINGH VASU, CDT MIRAZINDER SINGH, CDT PRAGUN SAINI, CDT SHUBHAM, CDT KOMALPREET SINGH, CDT SIMRANJEET SINGH, CDT RAGHWENDRA KUMAR PANDEY, CDT RANBI SINGH, CDT MANJOT SINGH.

STANDING SECOND ROW : (L TO R) DCC ANKUR, DCC SHUBHENDU BHARDWAJ, CDT RISHABH KALUSHAL, CDT PUNEET ARORA, DCC ASHISH KANWAR, CDT SHREY KHANDURI, CDT ISHNOOR SINGH GHUMAN, CDT ASHISH PAL SINGH CHINNA, CDT SHIVAM SARDANA, DCC BALPARTAP SINGH, CDT KARAN MUHAMMADPREET SINGH.

STANDING THIRD ROW : (L TO R) CDT SUKHJINDER SINGH, DCC AALAMPREET SINGH, CDT MANJOT SINGH, CDT AJAPAL SINGH BHATTI, CDT JAGPREET SINGH, CDT ARSHDEEP SINGH RIAR, CDT MANJOT SINGH DHALIJWAL, CDT GURWANSH SINGH GOSAL, DCC TANVEER SINGH, CDT NISHANT RAJPUT, CDT BHUPINDER SINGH.

FIFTH COURSE
WHO'S WHO

*When there is no peril in the fight, there is no glory in the triumph.
- Pierre' Corneille.*



WE SALUTE THE UNKNOWN SOLDIER



THIRD COURSE (2013-2015) THE TRIDENTS

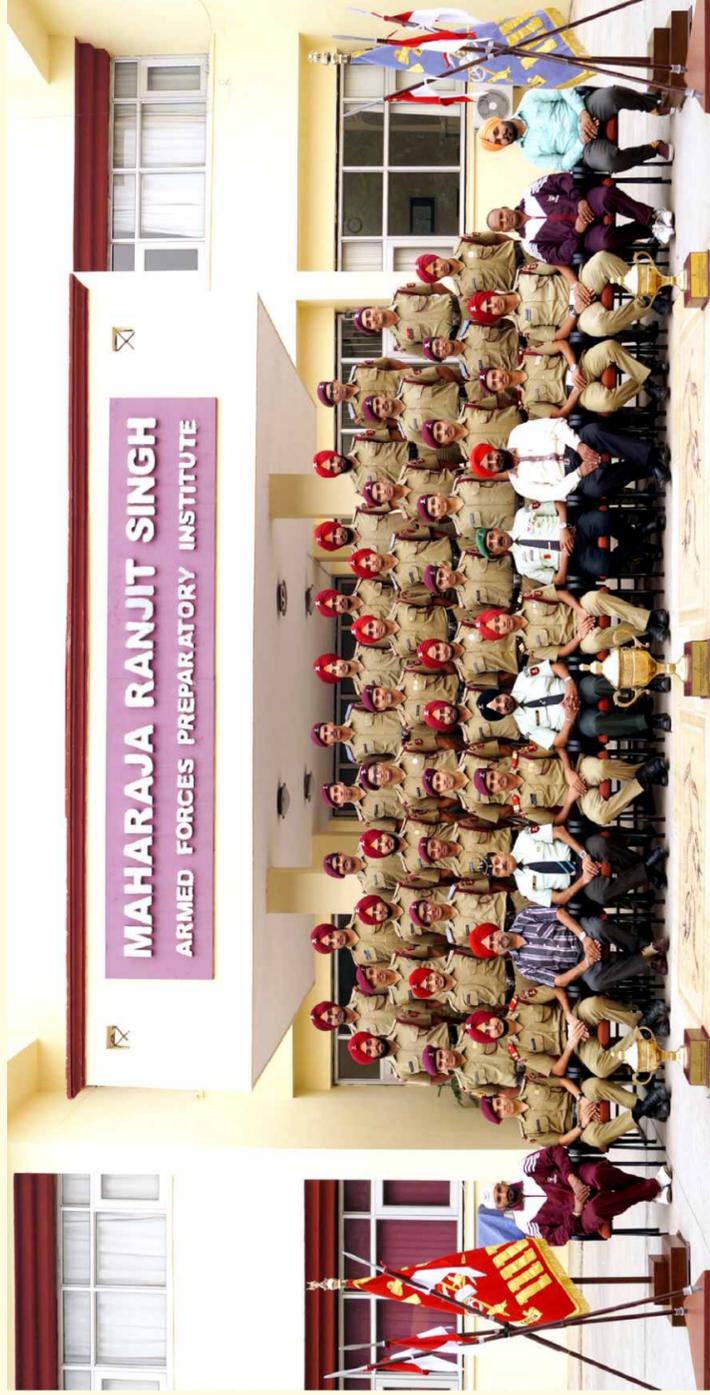
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STANDING FIRST ROW (L TO R) CSM JASMEHAK SINGH, CSM RAHUL, CDT LUDYPARTAP SINGH MANHAS, CDT JITHIN KRISHNAN, CDT YASHASVI SHARMA, CDT RISHI SINGLA, CDT SOURAV SAINI, CDT DEEPAKKUMAR, CDT SHALOK KAPOOR, DCC HARPREET SINGH, CDT BIKRAMJIT SINGH.

STANDING SECOND ROW (L TO R) CDT JASHAN JASWAL, DCC DAMANPREET SINGH, CQMS MUKESH SINGH, CDT MANMEET SINGH, CDT DALJINDER SINGH, CDT ARSHDEEP SINGH, CDT RATINDERJEET SINGH BAJWA, CDT NAVROSE SINGH SANDHU, CQMS GAGANDEEP SINGH, CDT CHETAN THAKUR, DCC SAURABH CHOPRA, DCC GAGANDEEP SINGH DHAMI.

STANDING THIRD ROW (L TO R) CDT NIVANDEEP SINGH DHILLON, CDT ASHISH GOYAL, CDT JASKARAN SINGH, CDT RANJEET SINGH BAINS, CDT KESHAV SHARMA, CDT TEJASVDEEP SINGH CHAHAL, DCC KARANBIR SINGH KALSI, CDT HARNOOR INDER SINGH KHOSA, DCC PIYUSH D JAIN, CDT PUNEETINDER SINGH SEKHON, CDT JASKIRAT SINGH GREWAL, CDT PRABHJEET SINGH, CDT SIMRANDEEP SINGH SAINI.

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FOURTH COURSE (2014-2016) THE FEARLESS FOURTH

SITTING FIRST ROW (L TO R) HAV MANJIT SINGH(PTI), CSM ABHISHIKT WARI, SCC GURLAL SINGH, RIS BLAJIT SINGH(WARDEN), BRIG KD SINGH(PSYCH OFFR), BCC SIMRANJIT SINGH SAINI, MAJ GEN BS GREWAL(DIRECTOR), BCA HARMAN DEEP SINGH, LT COL SUKCHARAN SINGH RAJ(GTO), SUB SWARAN SINGH(DRILL INST), SCC MANMEET SINGH, CSM AJMAL SINGH DHILLON, HAV DAMODAR SINGH(PTI), LIB/CLK/AMANDEEP SINGH.

STANDING FIRST ROW (L TO R) CQMS SUKHDEV SHARMA, CDT KARANVEER SINGH THANDI, DCC KABIR SINGH CHEEMA, CDT HIEMANT SHARMA, CDT ATUL BAINS, CDT SAHGURBAAZ SINGH, CDT SHAHBAZBIR SINGH, CDT DARPAN BERI, CDT NICHIKET GOYAL, CDT ABHISHEK GROVER, DCC ABHINAV KUMAR, CQMS ARSHDEEP SINGH.

STANDING SECOND ROW (L TO R) CDT JATINDER SINGH, CDT KARAN SINGH CHEEMA, CDT PRAKASHDEEP SINGH CHAL, CDT TEJPARTAP SINGH, CDT SHIVAM SALWAN, CDT SEHAJ SHARMA, CDT ROOP SINGH DHILLON, DCC JASHANPREET SINGH, CDT KARAN BAINS, DCC SHUBHAM SHARMA, CDT MAYANIK KHANNA.

STANDING THIRD ROW (L TO R) CDT IQBALPREET SINGH BOPARAI, DT GURJAS SINGH OBEROI, CDT HARJOT SINGH BATTH, CDT DHRUV VEER SAINI, DCC ARMAANDEEP SINGH CHEEMA, CDT ARVIND SINGH, CDT GURJOTPREET SINGH, CDT PARAMVEER SINGH KAHILON, CDT SORUBH PRATAP SINGH, DCC SHUBHDEEP SINGH MANN.



FIFTH COURSE (2015-2017) FEROCIOUS FIFTH

SITTING FIRST ROW (L TO R) HAV DAMODAR SINGH(PTI), SUB SWARAN SINGH(DRILL INST), RIS BALJIT SINGH(WARDEN), SCC MEHTAB KAMAL, BCC KARAMBIR SINGH, MAJ GEN BS GREWAL(DIRECTOR), BRIG KD SINGH(PSYCH OFFR), BCA PRANJAL KAPIL, SCC ABHISHEK JAGOTA, NAIK AVTAAR SINGH(PTI), CQMS NEERPREET SINGH.

STANDING FIRST ROW (L TO R) CQMS LOVENEET SINGH, CSM ARUNAV LAROYA, DCC DIKSHANT SHARMA, CDT SIMRANJEET SINGH, CDT AADARSH CHAUHAN, CDT PREETINDER PAL SINGH BATTHAR, CDT PULKIT SALONI, CDT VISHVADEEP SINGH, CDT AJAY PRATAP SINGH, CSM ARSHDEEP SINGH, CDT SUKHMANN SOHLU, CDT ARMAANDEEP SINGH, CDT RISHABH SHARMA.

STANDING SECOND ROW (L TO R) CDT RAJDEEP SINGH, CDT KRISHNA KUMAR SRIVASTAVA, CDT NIKHIL MISRA, CDT SUKHMANDEEP SINGH, CDT LOVEPREET SINGH, CDT AMITAJ SINGH GHUMAN, CDT PRABHNOOR SINGH, CDT GAURAV DHADWAL, CDT AJAY RAJAKARAN SINGH MALHOTRA, DCC GURKAMAL SINGH, CDT PRATEEKRAJ CHOUDHARY.

STANDING THIRD ROW (L TO R) CDT AMRITPAL SINGH, CDT PINAKI KAUSHAL, CDT NOMALDEEP SINGH, CDT ARYAN SHARMA, DCC SHASHANK SHARMA, DCC GURKANWAL SINGH, CDT RAVJOT SINGH GHUMAN, CDT HITESH SHARMA, CDT TARUNJOT SINGH, DCC MANJOT DHILLON, DCC SEHAJPAL SINGH, CDT OPINDERJEET SINGH(ABSENT).



(124/B/3)CDT Bikramjeet Singh-NDA 134



(130/B/3)CDT Ratinderjit Singh Bajwa- NDA 134



(87/A/2)CDT Ranbir Singh- NDA 134



(127/B/3)CDT Chetan Thakur-NDA 135



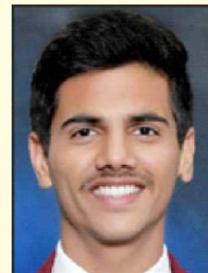
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(119/B/3)CDT Daljinder Singh-NDA 135



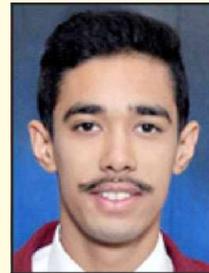
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(158/B/4)CDT Karan Singh Cheema-NDA 136



(162/A/4)SCC Gurlal Singh-NDA 136



(152/A/4)CSM Abhishek Tiwari-98 NAVAC



(2/A/1)CDT Deepak Sharma- IMA 141



(25/A/1)DCC Snehpal Singh- IMA 142

FEROCIOUS FIFTH
BRAVO SQN

- **Cdt Prateek Raj Chaudhary** - Our favourite footballers were Messi and Ronaldo before we met him. He is the person who taught us that jokes don't always have to be funny for us to laugh. But he might get possessive about his cabin, so don't you mess around there.
- **Cdt Nikhil Mishra** - For some, he is a "joker", for others he is a "best friend". He is the Atif Aslam of Bravo Sqn (sarcastically).He believes that he is the best actor, but sadly only he believes that. His motto is "No protein, only workout". He is really obsessed with a few things like gym, facebook, football, etc.
- **Cdt Vishwajit Singh** - What do you say about a guy who says nothing at all? Well, he is the silent missile of our Sqn (but not when he is sneezing!!). He is a really keen observer and comes up with the most amazing doubts when being taught in the class. His motto is "Keep complaining and Keep Achieving".
- **Cdt Opinderjit Singh** - The "wolfman" of AFPI. An airforce aspirant, going to be an army officer. He is known for his perfect smile and beautiful "yellow teeth"!His motto is "Never brush your teeth more than once a day". WARNING! : Never kick his door or you might wake the wolf.
- **DCC Sehajpal Singh** - The Don from Patiala. Scientists believe that he is the only person in the world who has zero percent chances of catching 'insomnia'. He stands for his Father's moustache because he barely has one of his own!!His motto is "Keep Smiling and Keep Killing"
- **Cdt Rishabh Sharma** - You might not know your best friend's secrets, but this guy will. He is the General Manager of the apple company. The biggest change that we have seen in him in the past two years is his "hairstyle". His motto is "Please call Mr. Sharma".
- **CQMS Loveneet Singh** - A man who has made winning a habit. He is a radical CR7 fan. He is good at almost everything- academics, games, PT, etc and when it comes to being aggressive, again he is the best man for the job. His motto is "Say no to Peace".
- **Cdt Tarunjit Singh** - The Western Sardar, gifted with an extraordinary bodyshape. He has brought out a revolutionary optimised way of wearing a Patka which prevents tanning of the forehead and also gives a look of a TRUE SARDAAR. His motto is "Ronaldo did not marry because I fell for him".
- **BCC Karambir Singh** - The 'sphinx' of AFPI. He believes in observing, breaking, experimenting and then rebuilding. His high jumps have raised questions about Newton's laws of gravitation. His motto is "Keep calm and let me break your stuff".
- **Cdt Ajay Pratap Singh** - Mr Overweight. Doubtably, he is from Chandigarh. He is indeed a great footballer. But for authorities, he is the 'most wanted'. His motto is 'Suspension is just another form of leave'.
- **Cdt Pinaki Kaushal** - The basketball star of Bravo sqn, known for his melodious 'Himesh Reshamia' voice. Fitted with the finest of engines, he can run for miles without complaining. Besides basketball, he has often shown remarkable skills of badminton in tennis court.

Maharaja Ranjit Singh, AFPI Mohali

- **Cdt Rajdeep Singh** - A true fauji. He believes that fauji strategies can help us in almost every sphere of life like studying, playing, flirting etc. he remembers very little about his childhood, because when we were learning baby rhymes he was busy in finding about the evidences of SECOND WORLD WAR. His motto is "When in doubt, duck!"
- **Cdt Aryan Sharma** - He is known for his cyclonic curly hair. Music has brought about a massive influence in his life, be it the lyrics of song 'Say One 'or the absolutely meaningless EDMs of nucleya. His motto is "EDM IS LIFE".
- **CSM Arshdeep Singh** - 'The Animal'. He is also known as 'The flying Sikh' because he is another man who has denied the force of gravity and it is only because of his huge 'pagri' that he is able to stick to the ground. It is believed that he feeds on 'soya bean' with some organic man made spices added to it.
- **Cdt Armaandeeep Singh** - A man who barely even exists. The only weight that his body carries is of his brain which is suspected to be overdeveloped. Doctors have advised him to stay under shelter during strong winds which might carry him away. His motto is "Keep calm and bear my jokes".
- **Cdt Gaurav Dhadwal** - It was only about two years ago when cattle rearing was started in AFPI. With his dedication and hard work, he is a potential officer.
- **DCC Gurkamal Singh** - He is our 'Polar Bear'. The best way to deal with tough times is to walk through them with a smile and this guy has done exactly that. He has proved it that if you are fully determined no exercise or running can reduce your weight.
- **Cdt Sukhmandeep Singh** - His original identity is hidden, but sources can say that he is the dictator. His silence is his strength and AK 47 his weapon. His motto is "Work In Silence And Let The Success Make The Noise".
- **DCC Shashank Sharma** - His neck muscles are forced to show involuntary movement, which is why he has acquired the reputation of Mr Vibrator. He is the RAFAEL NADAL of AFPI.
- **Cdt Amtaj Singh** - A perfect gentleman and a true friend. He is the only Indian cricket fan who supports Australia. His motto is "Work In Silence And Let The Success Make The Noise".
- **Cdt Pulkit Saloni** - You can either chase your dreams or climb them and he has chosen the second option. Warning: - NEVER RAID HIS CABIN. YOU CANNOT ESCAPE THE SPIDEY SENSES.
- **SCC Mehtab Kamal** - The Little Maestro of the fifth course. No matter how little he is, he has big dreams. He is known for his writing skills and his jolly nature along with a never ending liking for football.

Boots and Saddles



(116/B/3)CDT Piyush D Jain NDA 134



(107/B/3)CDT Harpreet Singh-NDA 134



(95/B/3)SCC Harshdeep Singh Shohi- NDA 134



(128/B/3)CDT Jashan Jaswal- NDA 134



(122/A/3)CSM Jasmehak Singh- NDA 134



(110/B/3) CQMS Gagandeep Singh- NDA 134



(97/B/3) CDT Ranjit Singh Bains- NDA 134



(136/B/3)DCC Yashasvi Sharma- NDA 134



(102/B/3)CDT Arshdeep Singh- NDA 134



(101/B/3)BCA Chandan Sharma- NDA 1340



(132/A/3)CDT Gagandeep Singh Dhami- NDA 134



(133/A/3)CDT Jasmeet Singh Bamrah- NDA 134



(104/A/3)DCC Deepak Kumar- NDA 134



(134/B/3)CSM Rahul- NDA 134



(131/B/3)DCC Tejasvadeep Singh- NDA 134



(99/A/3)CDT Rishi Sangla- NDA 134

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(72/B/2)CDT Ajaypal
Singh Bhatti- NDA 132



(93/A/2)DCC Karan Muhabat
Preet Singh- NDA 132



(90/B/2)CDT Aashish
Kanwar- NDA 132



(66/B/2)DCC Simranjeet
Singh- NDA 132



(58/A/2)SCC Prajwal
Dhiman- NDA 132



(84/A/2)CDT Sahej
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(89/A/2)BCC Sanjay
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(27/B/1)Cdt Harsimrat
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(47/A/2)DCC Bal Partap
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(63/B/2)DCC Arjun
Singh- NDA 132



(75/A/2)CDT Nishant
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(83/A/2)DCC Alampreet
Singh-94 NAVAC



(78/A/2)CQMS Gurvansh
Singh Gosal-NDA 133



(65/B/2) Cdt Jagpreet
Singh-95 NAVAC



(137/A/3)BCC Armaanjit
Singh Dhaliwal-NDA 134

ACHIEVERS GALLERY

"OUR GREATEST WEAKNESS LIES IN GIVING UP. THE MOST CERTAIN WAY TO SUCCEED IS ALWAYS TO TRY JUST ONE MORE TIME."

-THOMAS A EDISON

"WHEN ONE DOOR CLOSES, ANOTHER OPENS; BUT WE OFTEN LOOK SO LONG AND SO REGRETFULLY UPON THE CLOSED DOOR THAT WE DO NOT SEE THE ONE WHICH HAS OPENED FOR US."

"ALEXANDER GRAHAM BELL

Boots and Saddles

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(5/B/1) CQMS Abhay
Singh Rana- NDA 130



(36/B/1) DCC Ajay Pal
Singh Waraich- NDA 130



(37/B/1) CSM Sahil
Manhas- NDA 130



(17/A/1) SCC Vishavdeep
Singh- NDA 130



(18/A/1) DCC Rajat
Sarangal- NDA 130



(6/B/1) BCA Danish
Chadha- NDA 130



(23/B/1) SCC Mohit
Sharma-92 NAVAC



(33/A/1) CDT Vijay Pal
Singh Sra- NDA 132



(64/B/2) SCC Harsh
Pratap- NDA 132



(73/B/2) CQMS Brijesh
Pal Singh- NDA 132



(51/B/2) DCC Sukhjinder
Singh- NDA 132



(38/A/1) DCC Yashwant
Singh Waraich- NDA 132



(56/B/2) BCA Preet Kamal
Singh- NDA 132



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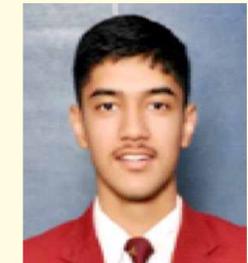
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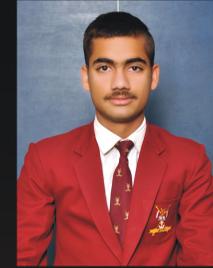
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