39th Major General Harkirat Singh Memorial

Date :

Monday, April 7, 2025

Time:

1700 hrs onward

Venue:

Engineers Bhawan

2, Bahadur Shah Zafar Marg, New Delhi - 110002

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Maj. Gen. Harkirat Singh

A man of rare vision, the late Major General Harkirat Singh had made remarkable contributions in diverse fields. His contributions made him renowned not only in the Defence organization but also in various civil organizations.

In the year 1933, Gen. Harkirat Singh was granted the King's Commission in Madras Sappers from the Royal Military Academy, Wool wish U.K. After having served at various parts of the world and India and after the Second World War,

he was appointed as the Chief Engineer of the Southern Command in 1947. Subsequently, he served as the Chief Engineer of the Western Command (in 1950) and yet again as the Chief Engineer of the Southern Command. In between, he successfully commanded an Infantry Brigade, thus distinguishing himself as an outstanding engineer and an eminent soldier. During his three tenures as Command Chief Engineer, he played a

leading role in the post-War reorganization of the Corps of Engineers and execution of a large number of construction projects for the Army , Navy and Air-Force. Later, he was appointed as the Commander of the College of Military Engineering and was one of the main pillars in the growth of this premier institution of the Corps. Being an outstanding Engineer, he was elected President of the Institute of Engineers (India) for two consecutive terms. Later, he was bestowed with the honorary membership of the Institute. Of all his outstanding achievements, perhaps the most crucial was his compilation of the very first National Building Code which covered the entire gamut of administrative, financial, construction and technical aspects. The monumental publication was his personal handiwork and has been adopted by major construction departments of the Central and State Governments.

In recognition of his crusading zeal valuable contribution in the field of standardization, the General was awarded the Moudgil prize in 1970. He was a man for all seasons-always enthusiastic, ever encouraging and endearing himself to all and sundry through his large hearted virtues. The General was a person who epitomized the saying of 'living life to fullest'. A remarkable man with a varied spectrum of talents and achievements, he was undoubtedly tallest figures of the Corps of Engineers.

Late Maj. General Singh an eminent engineering personality and able administrator was the President of The Institution of Engineers (India) during the sessions 1960-62. His contribution towards The Institution of Engineers (India) and Engineering Fraternity has been highly appreciated.

In memory of his dedicated service, The Institution of Engineers (India), Delhi State Centre instituted an Annual Memorial Lecture in his name.

Welcome Address



Er. Sat Pal Singh, FIE Chairman, Delhi State Centre-IEI

Key-Note Speaker



Shri Pradeep Chaturvedi
Past Chairman, IEI/DSC & Founder Chairman, SQF-IEI

Guest of Honour



Rear Admiral Anil Kumar Verma, VSM, Retd Ex CMD, GRSE, Kolkata

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Lt Gen Surinder Mohan Mehta, Retd Chairman, Asian Townsville Farms Pvt Ltd

Vote of Thanks



Shri Pramod Kumar, MIE Hony. Secretary, Delhi State Centre-IEI

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